



Dear Parents/Carers,

Thank you all for your support of the children as we continue with home learning. We all know how difficult it can be so please do not worry your child is 'falling behind' or 'not keeping up'. Once we return to school we will take our time to work with the children and get them back on track. Our priority on our return will be the mental, emotional and social wellbeing of everyone as we will all find it strange being back in school. I intend using the outdoors a lot (weather permitting) having spent the last few weeks walking Archie around Cluny Hill and Sanquhar Woods I have re-discovered many places we can use for all areas of the curriculum.



Communicating/Home Learning

Teachers use Dojo to communicate with their class and directly with families. Home Learning is also shared on this platform as well as through Education City and Sumdog. Please contact your child's teacher weekly on Dojo to let them know how things are going. If teachers do not see use of Sumdog or Education City and have had no contact through Dojo they will pass this on to me and either I or Mr Johnston will call you to check you are ok.

The school website has links to a variety of sites for many areas of the curriculum and for pre-school children too. We use School Story on Dojo to share links that many of you might find useful, interesting or fun – Mr C's workouts are very popular – as well as sharing wider information.



Transition

P7 transition information has been emailed out this morning. Transition to P1 is being organised so if you have a child starting in August or know someone who does, the information will start to be emailed out next week.

Return to school in August

I am planning our return to school, thinking about the building, numbers of children we can have in rooms, safety, hygiene and many more things beside. I will be able to update you fully once everything is settled as I would rather give you information that is correct than send out things to you which have to change as the situation changes. If you have any suggestions about how we manage the return to school then please email them in to me.

Educational Psychology

Moray Educational Psychology Service know that school staff are working hard to provide quality information to parents to help their children's wellbeing and education. As these are unusual and challenging times we would like to provide a wider service to families to help support this work. If you would welcome the opportunity to chat about any social, emotional or educational concerns about your child with our link Educational Psychologist Emma McLeod, they can be contacted via email on emma.mcleod@moray.gov.uk or a telephone message can be taken on 01343 550999. Parents/carers that already have, or have had, involvement with the service can, of course, make contact in the same way.

Free School Meals/Financial Support



Family circumstances may change quickly during this time, if you think you may be eligible for Free School Meals, please use the link below to find out more. If you are a parent of a P3 child who has been getting school lunches you will need to apply for Free School Meals to start in August if you are eligible for them too.

http://www.moray.gov.uk/moray_standard/page_55486.html

Moray Emergency Relief Fund

This fund has been launched to support families across Moray who are facing severe hardship, illness or poverty as a result of the coronavirus crisis. You can read more information here –

<https://newsroom.moray.gov.uk/news/moray-emergency-relief-fund-launched>

Applications to the fund can be made using this link -

<http://www.moray.gov.uk/downloads/file132792.pdf>





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If you have any worries or concerns you can contact me using the school email account - admin.andersonsp@moray-edunet.gov.uk - and I'll do my best to help.