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Our shared vision: Working together to create a nurturing, inclusive, rights respecting community, where learning is exciting, challenging and relevant.



JANUARY



Dear Parent/Carer,

We are now approaching the end of our third week of digital learning. Thank you for your support during this time, we are well aware that parents are juggling their own jobs from home as well as maintaining a routine of online learning for their children. We know that each day can present new challenges, and we are at the end of the telephone if you feel we can help in any way.

This week is traditionally our Scottish Week at Noble. All classes will be learning a wee bit about Scottish culture and history. We would love to see some of their work or poetry recitals on Twitter, so please tag us @Noble_p_s if you wish to do so.

Thanks again to the parents and pupils who participated in our digital learning survey. You will agree that the staff have worked extremely hard to consistently adapt and respond to the needs of the digital offer. We understand everyone's circumstances are different and remain determined to ensure that our digital offer is the very best we can make it. I will be in touch with the results of our survey soon and our next steps.

Yours sincerely,

Mr Daniel Murray
Head Teacher





UNCRC Article 7

I have the right to a name and to belong to a country.

Our right of the month is article 7.

Article 7 of the UNCRC says that all children and young people have the right to a name and nationality, which they should be granted at birth. It also says that they have a right to – as far as possible – know and be cared for by their parents.

COVID - 19 Update

Schools are currently closed due to the pandemic. The in-school provision is only available to the children of keyworkers and vulnerable families. Although schools are not considered high-risk environments, it is important to keep the numbers of both pupils and staff within school buildings as low as possible to reduce the risk of transmission. The children of keyworkers can only access the school if no other childcare arrangements are possible.

It is very important that nobody attends school if they have any of the symptoms of coronavirus (a new cough, a fever, or a change in or loss of taste or smell).

If anyone in your household has any symptoms, the whole household must immediately self-isolate and a coronavirus test must be booked using the NHS Inform website. If your child has attended school, you must also inform the school immediately if someone has symptoms and of the result of any test. This is really important.

Digital Learning Offer - Virtual Classroom Update

Teachers continue to plan and interact with the children on a daily basis. If teachers are required to teach in school, another member of staff will monitor your child's MS Team. In addition to MS Teams, the class work will be supplemented by the council's Digital School offering, which is currently available to primary and secondary schools. All content on the Virtual Classroom will be regularly updated to ensure pupils have access to quality materials based on the curriculum.

Your child's teacher is working hard to ensure each Microsoft Team has a mixture of recorded content, daily live check-in, curriculum tasks and ideas for learning away from a screen. Learning at home should suit you and your family. Set your own timetable and goals. We know there are days when your child may not manage the live check in and that's fine, we understand.

The Virtual Classroom, created by NLC staff, was so popular it has now been removed from Microsoft Teams and made into an app on Glow. This app will be updated weekly and contains ideas for independent learning and further study. An update on how to access the Virtual Classroom will be emailed separately today.

We are continually monitoring engagement with Microsoft Teams and we are calling families to see if any technical support is required. If you do need any technical help, please contact the school.

Health and Wellbeing

We know that this is a difficult time for everyone in our school and wider community. We are not only missing seeing all of our children every day, but we understand that everyone is missing spending time with their own friends and families too. As we follow the rules set out by the Scottish Government, we are keeping others and ourselves safe and we are working towards getting back to our friends and families. Please stay safe and be kind to yourself and others. We are all in this together.



Clear Your Head is a national mental health campaign to help people cope during the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic has now launched. The Scottish Government's 'Clear Your Head' campaign highlights the practical things people can do to help them feel better whilst continuing to stay at home, acknowledging these are worrying and uncertain times for many. www.clearyourhead.scot

Sleep Scotland is a website full of strategies for taking care of yourself and your sleep during lockdown and some ideas for activities to try while we are not able to go out as much. www.sleepscotland.org



SAMH is a website with advice and support. Talking about mental health is a great way to protect and improve it. Staying in touch with loved ones can make us feel happier and more secure; often just having a chat over the phone, text or video calls can help to lift our mood. Find out more about how you can protect your mental health and wellbeing this winter. www.samh.org.uk



Parentclub is a website with lots of tips and ideas to help families through this challenging time. www.parentclub.scot

North Lanarkshire Council and The Scottish Government These Websites have lots of information about local and national services, including the Scottish Welfare Fund and coronavirus information. www.northlanarkshire.gov.uk www.gov.scot



NHS Inform is the website for any health information and advice, including information about coronavirus testing and vaccination. www.nhsinform.scot