

Mossvale Primary School & ELCC

Update for Parents



Dear Parents/ Carers,

As we move into the final 4 weeks of term, I would like to thank you and your children for your ongoing support and your kind words of reassurance and appreciation that have been sent to us over the last few weeks – these have been a real moral boost! Thank you also for continuing to provide the support and guidance to your children that we are unable to provide during this difficult time. You have amazing children who have shown kindness, positivity and determination which they could not have done without you.

I know that you are all keen to find out what the next steps are in relation to supporting our children and young people back to school and wish to share a brief outline of some of our plans for the month of June with you. Our Director of Children's Services, Steven Quinn has issued a video in which he has answered many of the questions raised by parents which I'm sure you will find helpful. If you haven't already had a chance to watch the video, you can access this at –

www.renfrewshire.gov.uk/coronavirus-schools

<https://twitter.com/RenCouncil/status/1266656632777445382>

Week beginning 1st June

- Senior Management Team return to school to plan for school recovery including completion of necessary Risk Assessments
- HT/DHT will be preparing for those children who currently attend Emergency Hubs within Renfrewshire to access this childcare within Mossvale Primary School. Children will move to their host schools on 9th June - a letter has been issued to parents of these children.

Week beginning 8th June

- Staff will begin to return to school to plan and prepare for August. This is a phased approach and staff will only be in on certain days to help to organise classrooms and resources. Staff will continue to provide home learning but may not be available at all times to respond to pupil/parents – thank you for your understanding
- Our hub children will begin to attend Mossvale Primary for childcare on Tuesday 9th June.
- HT/DHT will meet with appropriate staff in the school and across the cluster to begin to plan for the transitions of our P7 pupils and our new P1s.

Week beginning 15th June / 22nd June

- Some transition activities will take place for our current Primary 7 moving into Secondary and for our Nursery children coming in to Primary 1. Details of these sessions will be given to P7 and new P1 parents when these have been confirmed. **Unfortunately, we can only accommodate these stages**

and not other stages moving on throughout the school. Our existing pupils know our staff and school building very well so please don't worry – if possible I will send a video of classes at the end of June for pupils to see.

- HT/DHT will speak with pupils and parents who require enhanced transition support. Parents will be contacted to arrange the best approach.
- Home Learning will continue throughout this period.

I am very mindful that parents and children will be keen to know which class groups they will be in as well as knowing teachers for next session. Please be reassured that I will share this with you as soon as I have it available and that when creating groups for next session, we will consider both learning and friendship groups as far as possible.

There are many unanswered questions and factors that have still to be worked out and I would ask for your patience and continued support as we try to navigate our way through the coming months. We have been tasked with a huge responsibility in making our school safe for our children and at the same time ensuring it is still the loving, nurturing environment that it always has been. Our Fantastic Mossvale Family is strong and we will work together and support each other to achieve this.

Stay safe everyone and enjoy the sunshine.

Kindest regards

Thomas McCormick

Head Teacher