



Dear Parents / Carers,

I hope everyone had an enjoyable Christmas break and I would like to wish all our families a Happy New Year.

Although not quite the start we had expected for the new year or the new term our school and nursery vision will be the key to our success as we work to ensure everyone at Wallace is Happy Together, Learning Together and Succeeding Together. The together part may be virtually, but we will do everything we can to provide the best possible experiences through online learning. The hard work from the staff, support from parents and commitment of our wonderful children last year during home learning was **AMAZING** and I know we can pull together to do it again.

Staff have been working extremely hard this week to prepare for home learning which will begin on 11th January and it will mainly take place through Seesaw. A SeeSaw reminder:



The FAMILY app will allow you to view your child's work and receive messages / announcements from the school or early learning and childcare officers. It will also allow you to message nursery staff or members of SMT directly. You can have more than one child on this app.



The CLASS app is the app you require to view the activities and tasks which are sent to your child each day. Photos, notes, voice notes or videos can be submitted in response to the activity using the templates provided. You can only have one child logged into this app at a time so we recommend different devices where possible or keeping the codes handy to log in and log out.

If you have difficulty accessing IT, do not have a device to access SeeSaw or if you need help logging in to SeeSaw or a reminder of your code or log in details, please inform your child's early learning and childcare officer or email wallaceenquiries@renfrewshire.gov.uk

We understand every household is different and the amount of time and support may vary, however we are really keen to keep the children's learning moving forward. We ask where possible that you try to engage daily with the activities. You may choose to respond to the activities set in a variety of ways and as a parent you will know your child best. We are also keen to know how the children are keeping busy at home so feel free to share personal successes and experiences.

Here is what you can expect from our Home Learning this month:

- A daily announcement sent to families and to pupils which will outline the tasks for the day.
- Tasks will be set in the ACTIVITIES section in the SeeSaw Class App where you will find instructions and guidance on what to do.
- Tasks will replicate experiences and activities the children would complete in nursery as much as possible. These will cover all areas of the curriculum and designed to be accessible for all children. You will also see activities for Health and Wellbeing such as PATHS Pupil of the Day.
- Quality feedback will be given from nursery staff on SeeSaw and may highlight the progress, effort, success or skill the child has made. Where appropriate this will include how to progress learning.
- Daily support from all nursery staff with any challenges or difficulties anyone is having.

Should you require any resources to support with home learning please inform your child's early learning and childcare officer who can make arrangements to support you.

If you have any questions, worries or concerns please do not hesitate to contact myself, Mrs Brooker or Mrs Anderson.

I hope we can work together showing our school values and vision to make home learning a success for everyone. I hope everyone stays safe during this difficult time.

Kind Regards,

Susan Dalrymple
Head Teacher