

People Directorate

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Dear Parent, Carer

**August Update**

A very warm welcome back to school and Early Years. It is wonderful to see everyone back healthy and well. Our children have now come to the end of their first full week in school since March 2020, and all have settled in exceptionally well. We are all adapting as best as we can to the changes that we face at this uncertain time. Teachers and other school staff are delighted to see their classes, and children seem enthusiastic and happy to be back in school.

In school, we continue to follow guidance from both Scottish Government and South Ayrshire Council. Children regularly hand wash and have staggered breaks and lunchtimes. I have advised parents about outdoor learning and PE and suggest that children come to school dressed appropriately to allow these activities to happen on a daily basis. Please be reminded that only one parent/carer should accompany children to school. Only P1 and Early Years parents are allowed in the school playground at the beginning and end of the day. Any parent wishing to speak to me or staff should contact the school and make an appointment.

Mid-morning snack is going well and the majority of children are taking this. Thank you for your responses to our questionnaire recently. Following consultation, we have agreed to part fund this project using Pupil Equity Fund and parents are asked to contribute £1 a week towards costs.

Unfortunately, due to Covid 19 restrictions, activities which form part of the ethos and life of the school won't be going ahead for the foreseeable future. This includes after school clubs, school social events and trips further afield. We are still able to take our children out in the local community, for example, to the park. I will keep you updated as restrictions change.

Please remember if you have any queries or concerns, do not hesitate to get in touch.

Below **#StopTheSpread** leaflet for your information.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Yvonne Templeton'.

Yvonne Templeton

#StopTheSpread

# COVID-19

## Symptoms

- a **high temperature – 38C or greater** - this means you feel hot to touch on your chest or back (you do not need to measure your temperature)
- a **new, continuous cough** – this means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours (if you usually have a cough, it may be worse than usual)
- a **loss or change to your sense of smell or taste** – this means you've noticed you cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal

## What should you do?

- If your child has any of the symptoms above, your child should **not attend** school and be tested. You must inform the school of the absence and outcome of the test.
- If your child develops any of these symptoms in school, you will receive a phone call for you to collect your child as soon as possible.
- If a member of **your household** has any of these symptoms, you **must not send your child to school**, stay at home and await the result of the COVID-19 test.
- Tests can be booked at: <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronaviruscovid-19/testing-and-tracing/get-a-test-to-check-if-you-have-coronavirus/>

## When to Self-Isolate:

- If you / your child have any symptoms of coronavirus.
- If you've tested positive for coronavirus.
- If you live with someone who has symptoms or has tested positive.
- If someone in your support bubble has symptoms or has tested positive.
- If you've been told by NHS Test and Trace that you've been in contact with a person with coronavirus.