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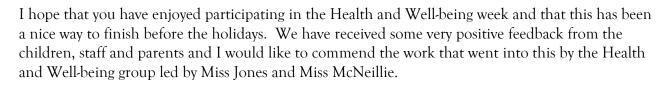louise.morrison@south-ayrshire.gov.uk

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Friday 12th February 2021

Dear Parents / Carers,

I hope that you have enjoyed participating in the Health and Well-being week and that this has been a nice way to finish before the holidays. We have received some very positive feedback from the children, staff and parents and I would like to commend the work that went into this by the Health and Well-being group led by Miss Jones and Miss McNeillie.

Mrs Malcolm and myself have been in contact with many of our families over the last couple of weeks to discuss any concerns with lack of engagement in home learning and we will continue to do so. We are thankful that P1-3 pupils will be returning but it is very important that parents/carers with children in P4-7, try their best to support their child/children to access the tasks on TEAMS and sustain their motivation for learning. The Class Teachers and Senior Leadership Team are all here to help, so please get in touch with us and be assured that we will do everything we can to support you. A problem shared is a problem halved !

Arrangements for returning
Although we are planning for the return of our Early Years Centre and Primary 1, 2 and 3 children on 22nd February this will be confirmed by the First Minister on 16th February when the Scottish government review the current restrictions, as it is still dependent on the continued suppression of the virus.

The school will be closed from **Friday 12th February and will re-open on Monday 22nd February**. Monday 22nd February is no longer an Inservice day for staff, , as communicated in December, and will be open for all children in the Early Years Centre, P1-3 and the P4-7 Hub which will resume for vulnerable and keyworkers' children.

Uniform / PE
We are encouraging all children in the Early Years Centre up to P3 to wear school uniform again as normal. P4-7 children in the HUB can continue to wear casual, clothes. At the moment indoor P.E. activities will not be taking place, other than with small groups or individuals. All children will be spending time engaging in outdoor learning and your child's teacher will communicate with you directly on any special requirements for clothing and footwear.

Lunches
I have attached the revised menu for February and March. At the moment it is a reduced menu which is being offered with one choice of main meal or soup and a sandwich each day. All children in the Early Years to P3 are entitled to a free school meal and I urge you to encourage your child to take advantage of the offer of a hot meal at this time.

Entry /Exit

All classes will revert to the agreed arrangements prior to the 'lockdown', with different start and finish times to reduce any congestion and facilitate social distancing during these times. I appreciate that parents/carers may have children in more than one class so these times are as close together as possible. All children will enter and exit via the fire doors in their classroom. **Please remember that only one parent or carer should drop off or collect your child as we cannot have groups of parents/carers waiting in the playground for any length of time. Parents/Carers must wear a face covering when in the playground.   It is important that children arrive at their allocated time as it is disruptive to the learning and compromises the safety of others, when children arrive persistently late.**

Start and Finish times
Early Years Centre

Rainbow Room		Sunshine Room	
Abby /Rhian (8.45-2.45)	Lee (8.50-2.50)	Elaine (8.55.2.55)	Susan (9.00-3.00)
Brodie Grayson Mila Amelia James Alfie Harris	Eve Jack Eilidh Zoe Liam Emily Finn N Willow	Lewis Holly Bethany David Olivia Finn P	Anna Calum Sydney Morgan Arthur Kolten Erin

Primary 1   **8.50-2.50**

Primary 2 and Primary 3   **9.00-3.00**

Primary 4-7 HUB   **9.00-3.00**

I am sure that you are all very glad that the holiday week has arrived and parents/Carers, children and school staff can all take some time away from remote learning. Those children who have been in the HUBS, can hopefully enjoy spending time with their families as well.

Take care of yourselves and enjoy the break, whatever you get up to ☺.

Yours sincerely

Louise Morrison

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Head Teacher