



TROON PRIMARY SCHOOL & EARLY YEARS CENTRE

COVID CONTINGENCY PLAN
TROON EARLY YEARS CENTRE
JANUARY 2021

JANUARY LEARNING MODEL

Following the Scottish Government announcement, we will have a period of remote learning from 11th until 29th January. Learning experiences for this week will be prepared by each class teacher using a learning grid, which will be shared on Seesaw (EYC only).

Following the period of home learning, staff and children will discuss their learning and then continue learning about specific areas of interest.

TECHNOLOGY AND DIGITAL PLATFORMS

To support home learning during the period of full lockdown, Seesaw has been identified as our main digital platform to communicate with pupils and families. Communication will also be sent via email/Xpressions and text.

Learning grids will follow a similar format to the previous lockdown to ensure consistency for parents and pupils. An example copy is included at the end of this pack.

FULL LOCKDOWN: JANUARY 11TH – 29TH

During the lockdown period, learning across the full school and EYC will initially focus on Scotland, our heritage and culture. This will exactly reflect the learning and teaching that would have taken place in school.

During the school day staff will:

- ✓ Plan learning appropriately.
- ✓ Answer questions that parents may ask via email/Seesaw (class teacher or early years practitioner).
- ✓ Arrange calls during the week if you feel this would be supportive for your child, please be aware this may be an early years practitioner or class teacher. Please email the school office if you require a call.
- ✓ Engage in a weekly zoom call with the class reps (Senior Leadership Team only).

Some identified children may require to be in EYC/school, please note the provision in school will be similar to a homework club where there will be adults supervising but not directly teaching. Teachers will be fully occupied organising remote learning for all children. It is not the case that some pupils in school will be taught as normal and those at home will be learning remotely. All children will be provided with equitable experiences and support.

COMMUNICATION WITH PARENTS AND PUPILS (LOCKDOWN ONLY)

Parents should contact the school office if they require a phone call home. Children and families will receive a telephone call each fortnight from the EYC staff, or a member of the leadership team, to check in personally with the children and see how they are. Questions can also be raised on Seesaw and staff will get in touch as soon as they can.

Updates and information will be provided to all parents to ensure they are fully informed of progress, any changes and next steps.

HOW ELSE CAN I HELP?

Family learning is just as important, and sometimes more effective, than worksheets or written tasks. For example, playing a board game is an opportunity to discuss strategy, turn taking, patience, gracious winning and losing. Going out for a walk is a chance to discuss the environment, help with a beach clean, gather materials for some outdoor art or focus on positive mental health by enjoying the fresh air and chatting as a family.



If you want to do a little more at home to help with learning, our 'Learning at home 5-a-day' approach is always beneficial. **Please note, this information is also aimed at P1-7 children and may need adapted for EYC.**

THE HEART OF YOUR CHILD'S LEARNING - LEARNING AT HOME 5-A-DAY



READ: Read, read and read some more! Comics, novels, kindles, recipes, blogs, instructions – everything counts! Read a book or share a story of your choice for at least 20 minutes per day. Listening to someone read is great too.



WRITE: Practise your writing skills. Write a diary at the end of each day or first thing in the morning, write a letter or card and send it to someone or research a project of your choice.



CREATE, EXPLORE, BE CURIOUS: Nurture your creative skills by building models from Lego or by making an iMovie trailer, animation or presentation online. Alternatively, create a piece of artwork; sing, play or perform a piece of music; dance or create a puppet show. Gardening with your family is great too.



NUMERACY SKILLS: Sharpen your numeracy skills through practising multiplication tables; counting or weighing ingredients for dinner; exploring how many cups of water fill a bucket; playing a board game or maths games online. Hit the button and Sumdog are great options to look at together.



EXERCISE, RELAX, TALK AND PLAY: It's really important to dedicate time to playing, being active and then relaxing every day. Try out PE with Joe Wicks or the South Ayrshire Active Schools videos on YouTube. Create an assault course in your back garden, practise keepy-uppy with a ball or make a target game to play with your family. Relax through colouring in or an activity of your choice.





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2021 Home Learning: Early Years Centre



Literacy & English	Numeracy & Maths
We are learning to . . .	We are learning to . . .
<u>Suggested Activities</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">•	<u>Suggested Activities</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">•
Health & Wellbeing	Other Curricular Areas
We are learning to . . .	We are learning to . . .
<u>Suggested Activities</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">•	<u>Suggested Activities</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">•

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