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Dear Parent/carer,

Please find attached the primary reporting calendar for the year. This may be subject to change over the year, if restrictions are relaxed. I really hope we can start welcoming family and friends back into school in the not too distant future. We miss you!

The main change for this term is Parents' Evenings. We will not be holding face to face parents appointments. In the primary, teachers will provide a settling in report. This will be emailed out to you on the 30th September. There will be an option to book a 10 minute phone appointment with the class teacher if you'd like to discuss anything from the report in greater detail. The teacher will phone you at an agreed time. Details of times available and how to book the appointments will be within the reports email.

Our class teachers will be sharing the planned learning for the term ahead on the blog, starting for term 2, instead of sending out individual curricular overviews. The class blogs will be updated regularly to help you keep in touch with what is happening in school.

Our nursery will continue to use Learning Journals, their blog and discussion at pick up and drop off for continual reporting throughout the year.

Please do not hesitate to get in touch if you have any questions or concerns.

Yours sincerely

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Information for parents/Carers on pupils returning to school in August 2020

Covid-19 Symptoms	<p>Everyone who</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• has the symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19) - a new persistent cough, fever, or a loss of sense of smell and /or taste - should stay at home and arrange for coronavirus testing;• is living with someone who has coronavirus symptoms should stay at home and follow the relevant advice;• has returned (or come) to Scotland from a country which is not exempt from the UK quarantine rules, should stay at home following the relevant guidance.•
Covid-19 Symptoms in school	<p>If anyone displays symptoms of Covid-19 during the school day they must be collected by a family member. Under no circumstances can they use school transport. Please ensure your contact details are up to date and that you are contactable at all times. If you are not able to pick your child up, please ensure you always have a contingency plan. Siblings must be collected at the same time.</p> <p>You should arrange a test as soon as possible. To self-refer for testing if you have symptoms please complete this form.</p>
Visitors to school	<p>Parents are discouraged from coming in to the school building. Please contact us by phone or email in the first instance. If a meeting is essential this can be arranged following the safety protocols.</p>



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	<p>As per national guidance, parents/ carers should be discouraged from gathering outside the school and should maintain a distance of 2m. To support this parents/ cares should not enter the school grounds.</p>
Items from home	<p>We ask that minimum resources are brought from home. A filled water bottle, packed lunch (if they bring one,) diary, snack, reading book and any homework to be returned. No pencil case, no toys or items from home. Hand sanitiser and tissues can be brought, although we will have supplies in each class. Resources should not be shared.</p> <p>School bags and coats can be hung on pegs in the school corridors. All personal items must be removed from school each day.</p>
Masks/Face coverings	<p>We have been advised that masks or face coverings are not required in school, however should your child wish to wear a mask or face covering they are able to do so. We ask that you supply your child with a plastic bag to keep the mask/face covering when it is not in use.</p>
Clothing	<p>We ask that your child is warmly dressed at all times. We will have windows and doors open to assist with ventilation so the classrooms may not always be as warm as your child is used to. Following national guidance, all social times, PE and some learning time will be done outdoors. A thick, warm waterproof jacket is essential. Additionally, can each child bring in a pair of socks that can be rolled into a ball for playing games.</p> <p>Children may want to have spare clothes in their school bags. This is essential in P1/2.</p> <p>If anyone requires support to provide suitable clothing, please contact the school.</p>
PE	<p>All PE will be done outdoors. On a Tuesday please come dressed in joggers or leggings and suitable shoes for PE. We won't be changing for PE and no PE kits should be brought or left in school.</p>
Art/Music	<p>Art and Music lessons will be delivered in the classrooms or outdoors, not the dedicated Music and Art rooms. Art will not be 'messy' this term so there is no need to provide an art apron.</p>
School Transport	<p>Please refer to the letter you received from transport.</p>
Entrances and Exits	<p>All classes, except P2/3 will enter and exit via their classroom fire door. There is a map attached with this letter. P2/3 will enter and exit via the lower playground door. Teachers will collect pupils from the playground in the morning at 9am. Supervision in the playground is not guaranteed prior to 8.45am. Breakfast Club is operating from 8am-8.45am in NOOSC for anyone</p>



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	requiring childcare at this time.
Hand Hygiene	<p>Regular handwashing and the use of alcohol-based sanitiser will be part of the daily routine. Please make sure your child is aware of this and explain the importance. Also, encourage your child to keep their hands away from their face.</p> <p>Use a tissue when coughing and sneezing when possible. The tissue will be disposed of appropriately.</p>
Break Times	<p>Children will eat in class prior to going outside. Please provide a small, healthy snack that your child can manage independently.</p> <p>We aim to keep the children apart at break times. Classes will have assigned areas in which they must remain to play with their classmates. Class teachers will explain these areas to the children upon their return to school.</p>
Lunches	<p>A packed lunch will be provided for those taking school dinners. A menu for this will be shared weekly. We plan to have 2 sittings in the hall, with some children being outside for playtime before eating. Arrangements may change, we will keep you informed.</p>
Toilets	<p>We now have unisex toilets assigned to each class. This means the class teacher has more control over who is using the toilet and will discourage children to congregate.</p>
Cleaning	<p>Our school is following all of the advice from the government and Shetland Islands Council. This includes more day cleaning around the school. Please help us by using the bins and keeping everything neat and tidy.</p>