



Education Resources

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Updated Guidance on Residential Excursions, day trips and celebratory end of year events

Updated guidance from the Scottish Government confirmed that residential visits could recommence 31st May (residential outdoor expeditions as of 10th May) and day trips from 10th May subject to conditions.

However careful consideration has been taken of insurance risks and of Public Health information (May 2021 APS Group Scotland) stating that:

- Areas in Lanarkshire still have high incidences, as do parts of Glasgow, Moray and other areas.
- Average contacts are still higher than was seen during the lockdown period and rising with the re-opening of shops and premises etc, the highest numbers since December 2021. Has increased by 16% in the last two weeks.
- Contacts within work environments, schools, homes and other settings have increased and will continue to do so.
- Vaccinations are helping but are still be rolled out further.

As a result the South Lanarkshire position is to continue to pause on residential excursions and full day trips to keep us all safe and take account of evidence based information from Lanarkshire Public Health.

Graduation Ceremonies, Leavers' Assembly and Valedictory Masses

Any celebratory events such as Early Years or P7 Graduations should be undertaken virtually or on nursery/school premises only, including the use of outdoors. The event must be contained within class groups or bubbles ensuring we maintain all our existing infection control measures.

Physical parental participation is not permitted.

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Updated Guidance

Drama, Music, PE and Dance

Permitted activities in schools and ELC settings

Level 2

Drama - activity is permitted outdoors in small groups and indoors if low risk criteria are met and with appropriate mitigations.

Music - (low risk)* (low risk - i.e. percussion, keyboards, strings and guitars). Activity permitted outdoors/ digitally and indoors subject to risk assessment.

Music - (higher risk, including singing, wind (including pipes) and brass)** For ELC and primary aged children activity outdoors and indoors is permitted subject to risk assessment and with appropriate mitigations.

Sport - all **organised** activity permitted except adult indoor contact sports.

PE and Dance - For ELC and primary aged children - contact and non-contact physical education is permitted outdoors and indoors with **appropriate ventilation and particular attention being paid to good hygiene and sanitising of shared equipment.**