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Dear Parents

As the first week 'back to school' comes to a close, I hope you are all well and have all managed to engage with the remote learning, either via Teams or paper copies of work for class 1. I have lots of information to share, I apologise for another lengthy newsletter.

Here are some tips that may help support your child(ren):

- Try to dedicate a time during the day for learning.
- For some, it may help to put on their school jumper or school clothes so they know they are doing school work.
- Create an appropriate space to learn - away from TV or other distractions.
- Monitor time spent online - too much screen time should be avoided.
- Support emotional balance by providing time for reflection, physical activity, conversation and down time.

We can only ask that you do your best and do as much as you can with your child(ren). We also thank you for your patience with the online part of the learning, we also feel your frustration when it doesn't work as it should!

A reminder about 'hub school' places.

If there are parents at home, who are key workers, then the Scottish Government and local authority state that children should be at home.

Children should not be in to school everyday if the keyworker does not work everyday - so if your shift pattern is Mon-Wed in work and you are at home Thur-Fri, then your children should be at home Thur-Fri. The Stay at Home message is to reduce contacts as community transmission rates are high. This message was reiterated by John Swinney (MSP) on Wednesday, where he said, schools are open on an exceptional basis. We need to reduce interactions around schools, we need to keep the number of key worker children to an absolute minimum.

The next update regarding the lockdown and education from the Government is on Tuesday the 18<sup>th</sup> of January. We should hear then about any plans to extend remote learning, if the 'work from home' message, is to be extended beyond 31<sup>st</sup> January. We may also hear that we can all return to school!

**\*\*\*Daily Login and Check-in for All Pupils:**

We are required to have a daily check in on Teams. **This means replying to a conversation** started by the class teacher everyday to check-in and see how things are going. The class teacher will put on a message in the morning, and every pupil should respond at some point during the day.

All children have their login details for teams - this is their Glow username (example [gw15namename@glow.sch.uk](mailto:gw15namename@glow.sch.uk)) and their own password. Remember to access help about Teams from the school website (parent zone) [www.rhynie.aberdeenshire.sch.uk](http://www.rhynie.aberdeenshire.sch.uk)

If you need any help with logins please email [Rhynie.sch@aberdeenshire.gov.uk](mailto:Rhynie.sch@aberdeenshire.gov.uk) and someone will get back to you as soon as possible.

Teachers will be on Teams and checking emails and responding during school hours only. When teachers are in school supporting pupils in class on a rota basis, they may take longer to respond to any emails or questions via Teams.

**Reading:**

Please find attached to this groupcall message an update about reading for each class.

**Sumdog:**

The school has paid for subscription for the year to Sumdog, for maths. Sumdog have also given us access to their spelling section for free until the end of January. I have seen some pupils use this part already. All pupils have their logins for this and can access via the app on a tablet or phone.

**Class 2 Reminder:**

Can you please remind your child(ren) to check their email daily - outlook, accessed via their glow login.

**Illness:**

If your child(ren) is unable to do any remote learning due to illness, can you please call or email the school as this needs to be recorded on the attendance system. Thanks for your cooperation with this.

If your child is in the hub school and is unwell before attending school for any reason, please keep them off school until they are feeling better or you have contacted the NHS, if they show Covid-19 symptoms.

Stay safe and take care,

Miss Crawford

**COVID-19**  
CORONAVIRUS



**If you or your child has the following symptoms**

-  A New Continuous Cough
-  A High Temperature
-  A loss or change to your sense of smell or taste

**STAY AT HOME**  
(self-isolate for 14 days) – do not leave your home or have visitors. Anyone you live with, and anyone in your support bubble, must also self-isolate.

**GET A TEST** to check if you have coronavirus as soon as possible.

**If your child has the following symptoms**

-  Diarrhoea
-  Vomiting

**DO NOT ENTER**

They must stay at home for 48 hours, after the symptoms have gone.



Clean your hands and help protect us from germs that can make us sick