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Newsletter Friday 19th February 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

After the First Minister's announcement on Tuesday we have made full plans for the safe return of all of our Nursery and P1-3 children and staff. We are really looking forward to welcoming our youngest children back however there will still be a number of restrictions in place. Scottish Government's partial reopening of schools is reliant on all members of the school community rigorously following current lockdown measures. If you are planning for your child to return to school on Monday please consider if there have been circumstances which have stopped your family from following lockdown restrictions.

Safety Measures

All our safety measures will continue to be in place and our staff will revisit these with the children. Our long term aim is to have all of our children back in school so can we please ask all parents to continue to follow the national guidance to ensure the safety of everyone in our school community.

All staff in the school and nursery have the option of testing twice each week and this provides another safety measure to help minimise risk. **Can we please urge all parents and children not to wait around and chat after school, as this does not help minimise risk or put safety first for the members within our community. Please collect your child and go straight home.** Thank you for your support with this.

Changes to COVID close contact

Scottish Government announced slight changes that came into effect yesterday, Thursday 18 February, whereby anyone who is identified as a "close contact" of somebody who has tested positive for coronavirus (COVID-19) will be asked to get tested. Now, everyone who has been identified as a close contact via the Protect Scotland app, or through manual contact tracing, will be provided with instructions on how to book a PCR test.

The approach does not replace self-isolation in any way, and close contacts who test negative will still have to complete 10 days of self-isolation. Close contacts who test positive will be asked to self-isolate for a further 10 days from the time of their test result, to ensure they are no longer infectious when they leave self-isolation.

P1-3 Digital Inclusion Devices

Pupils in P1-3 who have been provided with a digital inclusion device should bring these to school each day when they return.

Remote Learning Survey

Thank you to everyone who has taken the time to complete our Remote Learning Survey. The response has been overwhelmingly positive. We are collecting all of your feedback and will share with you very soon. If you still wish to leave feedback please follow the link [here](#).

Contacting the school

If you require to get in touch with the school please use the form system which can be accessed [here](#) or through the school website.

Thank you for all your continued support.

Mrs Hamilton and Mrs Henderson,

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