

St. Joseph's PS & NC



January School News Update - Happy New Year

14.01.21



Education Resources

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Happy New Year to all children and their families! I hope all had a safe, restful and Holy Christmas period. I continue to extend my warmest thanks to all children, parents/carers and staff for their continued understanding and flexibility in these challenging global times. I am hugely grateful to all staff for their hard work and endeavour as we continue to develop our 'Remote Learning Offer' for an extended time period from 6th January to at least the 1st February 2021, in accordance with the most current guidance from the Scottish Government and South Lanarkshire Council. Please continue to show understanding to our staff team who can also be working remotely whilst caring for and supporting the learning of their own children. The challenging circumstances we face are absolutely a learning curve for all and with your support and team spirit we can positively commit our efforts to providing our children with meaningful support and remote learning provision.

Remote Learning Offer Update

Week 1 - 11.01.21 to 15.01.21 Settlement and Re-Engagement

Supporting the children to settle to and engage with daily online learning. Focus on re-establishing Literacy, Numeracy and Active Health and Well-being

Week 2- 18.01.21 to 22.01.21 Consolidation and Reinforcement

Focus on Literacy, Numeracy and Active Health and Well-being. Additional provision of Faith Life and Inter-disciplinary learning activities to support the children to re-engage with learning across the curriculum.

Week 3- 25.01.21 to 29.01.21 New Learning

Focus on Literacy, Numeracy and Active Health and Well-being. Additional provision of Faith Life and cross-curricular learning activities to provide new learning across the curriculum.

NEW DEVELOPMENT - INTRODUCTION OF GOOGLE MEET

Introduction of Google Meet for planned **live** interaction. Date and time for pilot / test run will be provided by your child's class teacher on Google Classroom on 21.01.21 or 22.01.21. Look out for this information. Please refer to Google Meet Parent/ Carer Guide and User Agreement based on 'SLC Video Conferencing with Learners Guidelines.' **Please note if your child uses Google Meet it will be assumed that you agree to confirm to the User Agreement. Parents/ Carers and learners MUST NOT RECORD any Google Meet for the protection of all children and staff.**

Timeline January 2021

- 06.01.21

STAFF Preparation Day (No pupils)

- 07.01.21 9am to 3pm

Care Provision for Key Workers / Vulnerable children

- 08.01.21 9am to 3pm

Care Provision for Key Workers / Vulnerable children

- 11.01.21

Equitable Learning Provision for Key Workers / Vulnerable children commences 9am to 3pm.

Remote learning provision commences online.

- 21.01.21 / 22.01.21 (TBC)

Google Meet Trial

- 25.01.21

New Learning Begins

Please follow NHS Inform, Test and Protect and Contact Tracing Guidance!

Please do not attend school if your child or member of your household is experiencing COVID-19 symptoms or if you have been advised by contact tracers to self-isolate.

Further updates will be provided as National or SLC information becomes available. Given some staff are working remotely, a separate information guide will be provided to support parent/carers in communicating with the school and nursery during this time period. Providing contact information will help us to divert your call / email to the most relevant member of staff to support your query. I wish all children and families the very best of luck with remote learning engagement!

Yours sincerely

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