FORTH PRIMARY SCHOOL & NURSERY PARTNERSHIP WITH PARENTS & CARERS

Online Learning



PARENT GUIDE



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This guide provides parents with information to support home learning during a period of remote / blended-learning. Additional app posts give further details too.

DIGITAL ACCESS/SAFETY

 Throughout 2020 parents have been offered support with IT and IT devices. An online form on the school app allows parents to request additional support. The link is as follows –

Click here to access support request form

- The school have a certain number of Chrome Book devices we can loan to families. Already a number of devices have been borrowed. SLC are prioritising FME entitled children in the first instance.
- Online safety remains a top priority for children working online. There are a number of websites that can support you to have the appropriate settings, ensuring you are keeping your child safe. Here are some links of supports available –

Keeping Children Safe Online NSPCC

Internet Matters Video & Practical Advice

Children's Workshops - Think U Know



OUR ONLINE PLATFORM

As a school, we use **Microsoft Teams** as our online learning platform from Primary 1-7. Our nursery families access Online Journals. Microsoft Teams is accessed through **GLOW**, and is best viewed on a laptop or desktop computer, although it can be opened on all devices including phones and tablets. There is also a Microsoft Teams app which can be downloaded from your app store too.

We do however recommend that parents/carers access Teams through GLOW, but if necessary the app can be downloaded, the following information should be noted – on the app, pupil e-mails for logging in must end with **@sl.glow.scot** <u>NOT</u> @glow.sch.uk On the app there are guides on how to access GLOW and Teams, these include demonstration videos.

- All children have a GLOW e-mail address, this is their GLOW login, and a password
- These have been sent by text message to main contact mobile phone numbers
- We ask passwords are not changed to ensure the school can support with access

Pupils are given experience accessing Microsoft Teams in school to ensure they can log on and are familiar with how it works. You will appreciate that younger children need support with this.

WHAT WILL A DAY LOOK LIKE FOR MY CHILD ONLINE?

Each day a class teacher will be online from 9:00 -10:30 & 13:30-15:00, unless they are supporting the children in a hub. In this event learning will be planned in advance. It is important that teachers are engaging with your child and will be interacting with you in a number of different ways.

Teachers will be planning days that they feel are appropriate for the age and stage of your child. As teachers are online for set times, there will be a mix of weekly and daily tasks set. Teachers will be there to guide you through. It won't all be about screen time, some activities will be set and children will then record their learning by uploading photos and evidence under the assignment tab.

Teachers can then provide written feedback. **Please note teachers will only communicate with pupils and parents between the normal school day.** We fully appreciate that some parents may upload and complete learning with children out with school hours. It is important that you do what is manageable for you and your family circumstances. Children in the hub will have access to their Team for periods of time throughout the day.

Depending on the age and stage of your child, daily tasks will be set in chunks of time. E.g. this might mean 2 sessions of 45 mins or 3 sessions of 30 minutes etc. Below, are an example of tasks.

Literacy and numeracy tasks will be uploaded each day. These will include phonics, spelling, reading and writing. There will be daily numeracy too.

Health and Wellbeing tasks will be provided each week:

- Physical Education Suggestions for physical fitness and some resources that may support
- Emotion Works programme / emotional check-ins, mindfulness, relaxation, Fischy etc.

Learning across the Curriculum tasks will also be provided:

- This may mean social subjects, Spanish, art, music etc.
- Also internet safety will be covered throughout.



RESOURCES

Children have been issued home learning jotters. If additional resources are required, please complete the form link below and the school will contact you in due course. We are here to support.

Click here to access support request form