



Education Resources
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Dear Parents and Carers

In light of the ongoing evolving situation of COVID-19 I am keen to outline the measures currently being taken within our school and nursery.

Staff are ensuring hand washing and respiratory advice is being adhered to. We have plenty of soap, paper towels and tissues in school.

To minimise sources of infection, we are asking parents/adults not to come into the school building (beyond the enclosed entrance) to speak to any member of staff without a prior appointment. **If you do need to pass on any information or have any questions, then phoning is recommended.** All visitors to the school have been cancelled. We already have in place a new routine at drop off and pick up times in nursery. This means that parents and carers are not in the playroom and limiting risks as much as possible.

Following guidance from South Lanarkshire Council, all excursions, trips, events, concerts etc. and extra-curricular activities are cancelled until further notice. This includes all lunchtime and afterschool clubs.

Cleaning and sanitisation schedules have been adapted as appropriate. Also within the canteen, routines have been changed so that children are served all foods e.g. the salad bar is no longer self-service.

All families have been advised by the government about what to do in the event of any member of their family having signs or symptoms of coronavirus. Symptoms are described as a new continuous cough and/or a high temperature. **If someone has developed a new continuous cough and/or a fever/high temperature in the last 7 days, they should stay at home and self-isolate. We would ask parents and carers read the advice carefully and adhere to the recommendations.** We appreciate there are a number of families already self-isolating and understand the importance and need to do this.

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South Lanarkshire Council continue to follow guidance from the UK and Scottish governments as well as Public Health. This is under constant review and parents will be kept updated through the school app and Group Call messaging. I want to reassure parents and carers that the school are already working on contingency plans in the event of school closure. This includes the preparation of learning in both paper form and online resources. More information will be provided as and when it is appropriate.

I am keen to reassure you that we are taking every step possible within school and nursery. Following guidance, I have cancelled the Head Teacher drop in today. Please do not hesitate to call me if you would like to speak to me, I am here to support the very best I can.

Finally, I would like to thank our entire staff team. I am incredibly grateful for all their commitment, hard work and support in what can only be described as uncertain times. My thoughts are with all members of our Forth community and their extended families in the difficult times that lie ahead.

Yours sincerely

Suzie Wood

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