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Dear Parent

Parental Engagement in Learning - Sharing the Learning P.5-7

We know that now more than ever, giving you access to information about what your child is learning in class is very important. It is highly unlikely you will be able to visit the school this year. Our Parents' Evenings, assemblies and termly Coffee Mornings would normally give you the opportunity to view your child's work across the curriculum, and hear from their teacher about how they are doing.

As this is not possible due to Covid-19 restrictions, we have identified a number of opportunities to keep you up-to-date and allow you to view your child's work.

Coffee Mornings

As we are unable to hold our coffee mornings this session, your child has created their own digital profile using Book Creator. This profile includes samples of their learning in Literacy, Numeracy and Health and Wellbeing. It has been shared with you using your email address. Please discuss your child's learning with them and complete the Microsoft Form which has been emailed to you. The Digital Profile will also be shared again in February and May (which matches when our Coffee Mornings would be). Hopefully, our Coffee Mornings will resume next session.

Reports

This year we will issue 2 reports to you.

- Interim Reports were sent home in October. These were short reports, designed to give you information about how your child has settled into school, how well they are working and how they are progressing in the curriculum.
- **Full Reports** are planned for the Spring term, which is earlier than we normally issue these. These are more detailed reports, known as 'Progress and Achievement Reports'. The format and content is set by South Lanarkshire Council. You will receive details about how your child has progressed, and what they have achieved in key curricular areas: Literacy, Maths and Numeracy, Health and Wellbeing and Learning Across the Curriculum.
- **Online Sharing** We try to showcase as much as we can through our Twitter page and school app. You can follow us by searching for @HighMillPrimary.

Home Link Grids

We are introducing new curriculum Home Link Grids. These will be issued in January and March. The new Home Link Grids will give you details of the topics and themes being covered in your child's class for the duration of the term. In future years, these will be issued for each of the 3 planning

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blocks across the school year (September, January and March).

Assemblies/Class Showcase Weeks

As we cannot hold class assemblies this session, we have introduced class showcase weeks. Teachers and children will work together to plan how best to gather and showcase the learning that has taken place over their showcase week. The planned dates for these are:

Date	Class
28 th January	P.7/6 Holocaust Event
15 th February	P.6/5
22 nd March	P.4/3
26 th April	P.3/2
17 th May	P.2/1
7 th June	P.7/6

We hope that you find these events/activities useful in keeping you informed about your child's learning and progress.

Yours sincerely

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