

## Abernethy PS HT 'Remote' Update – Term 3, wk. 4, 2020/2021

Dear Parents & Guardians,  
I hope you are all well.

I wanted to start this update with a sincere thank you not only for continuing to support your children's learning, but also for us as a school. We have had some of the loveliest messages and conversations of appreciation, all of which were very much appreciated.

Please find below a further HT update providing information you may find helpful, including our helpful tips.

Ms Suz McKenzie, Head Teacher, Abernethy Primary & Nursery



### Remote Learning

As outlined in our Remote Learning Plan, your Feedback is important to us. Can I therefore please ask you to **copy, paste, complete and return** the following questions. Many thanks.

1. **What is working well within your child/children's remote learning?**
2. **Is there anything else we can do to improve your child's remote learning experience?**
3. **Health & Wellbeing – How are you and your family feeling about Remote Learning? Are there any further supports we can provide?**

👉 Balancing written and electronic completion of tasks. This can be tough – a child shall overall enjoys completing tasks online if they can. Please help us to encourage the children to send photographs of **written** work instead of always completing on the screen. This will help take their time away from the screen, as well as keep the momentum up of writing skills.

👉 Parental involvement. I was absolutely delighted to be able to share some examples of our remote learning. It was so wonderful to see this including parental involvement; whether that was through recordings of conversations parents had with a child, or support in attaching music to a piece of collaborative work. If you have the time, jump on board 😊

### Engagement

During this period of Remote Learning, we have been asked to monitor **Attendance** (e.g. logging in, reading tasks, participation in lessons) and **Engagement** (e.g. participation in live lessons, completing tasks and submitting evidence).

Following our very successful levels of engagement during the first lock down, nearly all our pupils are once again attending and engaging, which is amazing – Well done! Fantastic effort 😊

For your information we have been asked to record any pupils falling below 75% as absent and/or non-engaging. PKC will pick up details on a weekly basis.

👉 If your child is unwell and unable to 'attend' their learning at any point, please do let us know via email so we can record correctly.



## Technology available

A reminder that we are here to help with any outstanding technology issues.

This could be lack of technology available in the home, use of a mobile phone only or the setting up of resources/programs.

👉 Please do let us know if this applies to you.



## Hub Updates

Both our In-school learning provisions continue to go well. As we help support our families who are supporting the national Covid effort, we continue to be very proud of all our children in attendance.

I thank all families for completing the Hub severe weather overview. This will be instrumental in planning our ongoing support.

👉 Can all hub families, please note that the hubs shall **NOT** be open during the in-service or holiday days outlined below.



## Learning Trees

Staff have completed their termly Learning Tree to share with families.

Some of these have been posted on Seesaw; these shall now also be available for everyone via our school website.

[Abernethy Primary School Website](#)

## Dates for the diary

3<sup>rd</sup> February – Our first Virtual Assembly shall be shared with all classes via Seesaw. Everyone enjoy.

3<sup>rd</sup> February – Parent Council 6.30pm  
10<sup>th</sup> February – Inservice day  
11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup> Feb – Occasional holidays