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Dear parents and carers

Thank you to everyone

It has been a fast-moving and anxious time for everyone and I am incredibly grateful to our staff team for working so quickly to put in place learning packs and resources for digital learning for our children.



School closes today but every teacher will be working online to support the boys and girls.

If you are able to support your child with the planned activities, we are very grateful for all your help. If it's confusing, don't worry. You can e-mail me any time at stpeters@aberdeencity.gov.uk or jomartin@aberdeencity.gov.uk and I will do my very best to point you in the right direction for help.

All children have been given logins to Education City and RM Easimaths. Many of the children in P3 – P7 really enjoy using Google Classroom and the associated tools. Some P2 pupils are learning to use Google too – but we do not have logins for P1 to access Google.

Please find attached a simple guide to help you to help your child to access the Google classroom. If they are struggling, please remind them to add @ab-ed.org to the user name they use in school.

Next week, I will send on a Parent's Guide so that those who have time to explore the tools can do so. We are looking forward to seeing how it can be used creatively.



There are only ten 'school' days until the Easter holidays. During this time, in school, we would be focussing a lot on this special time in the Church's year. Children are reminded of the three things we do – pray, fast and give to others. They will be doing this in a different way from usual but I hope they will bring you joy and comfort as they try to carry on these practices in their homes.

I attach a suggested 'Learning Day'. Of course it is not compulsory – but it will give an idea of the structure of the school day. It may be that teachers will post assignments that will take several days to complete. The needs of the children differ according to their age and what support is available. Teachers will post specific information on the Google Classroom page for their own class.

I will send regular updates throughout the period of closure and will respond to all e-mails so please do not hesitate to get in touch about anything.

Free School Meals

A Groupcall message was sent today to all families who qualify for free school meals. If you wish to take up the offer of a cold meal to be collected for your child, please fill in the online form. Please note that all meals will have to be collected from St Machar Academy.

Childcare for Key Workers

The Scottish Government has pledged to make childcare places available for key workers. Details about the application process will be available on
<https://www.aberdeencity.gov.uk/services/people-and-communities/coronavirus-covid-19>

Priority is being given to those listed as Category 1 key workers in the first instance. The definition of a Category 1 key worker is:

- Health care workers directly supporting COVID response, and associated staff;
- Health and Care Workers supporting life threatening emergency work, as well as critical primary and community care provision;
- Energy suppliers (small numbers identified as top priority already)
- Staff providing childcare/learning for other category 1 staff.

Please note: the Scottish Government has set the priorities and we would ask that only those falling into the key worker category, as defined above, apply for support at this stage.

Arrangements for First Holy Communion and Confirmation

Although the date of the sacrament may need to change, we will continue to prepare the children for these important events. If the book was left in school, please do not worry. I will scan and send any materials that may be needed to support you as parents to help the children to look forward to celebrating their special days.

There will be further communication in the coming days and weeks as we all play our part as the situation develops. Thank you all so much for your support, patience and understanding.

Keeping you all in my thoughts and prayers.



Saint Peter, pray for us.

Saint Joseph, patron saint of families and homes, pray for us.



Yours sincerely

