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"When you believe in yourself, anything is possible."

Friday 7th January 2022



SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Welcome back to all our pupils, staff and families as we start a fresh calendar year! I hope that everyone had a restful break and enjoyed spending time with family and friends. It has been wonderful to see everyone return and hear all about what people have been up to over the festive break.

COVID-19 UPDATE

While the school continues to operate under existing guidance with no changes to daily class life, you will be aware that the guidelines around self-isolation have changed from the Scottish Government. Please be reminded of the following information.

Changes to self-isolation for those who test positive for COVID:

- While the initial advice when someone tests positive will still be to self-isolate for 10 days, there will now be the potential to end isolation after seven days as long as you, firstly, have no fever and, secondly, you record two negative lateral flow tests, one no earlier than day six after testing positive and another at least 24 hours after that.

Changes to self-isolation for all close contacts of positive cases –who are either under the age of 18 years, four months, or who are older than that and fully vaccinated (this is defined as having had first, second and booster or third doses of the vaccination):

- For all close contacts the requirement to self-isolate will end and be replaced by a requirement to take a lateral flow test every day for seven days. If one of these tests is positive, self-isolation will then be required.
- Anyone identified as a close contact who is over 18 years and four months and not fully vaccinated will still be asked to self-isolate for 10 days and to take a PCR test. (Please note that any distinction between household and non-household contacts has now been removed and all are treated as close contacts).

Changes to the advice on testing:

- For those who have symptoms of COVID, the advice **remains** to book a PCR test, even if you have a positive lateral flow test. The advice to everyone is to test regularly with lateral flow devices, especially before meeting up with others. However, from tomorrow, if your lateral flow test is **positive, and you do not have symptoms**, you will no longer be required to take a PCR test to confirm the result. Instead, you must immediately isolate and also report your result online so that Test & Protect can commence the contact tracing process and give advice as quickly as possible. You will also receive an online form that you must fill in, as would happen with a PCR positive in to ensure your contacts are notified. There is an exception for people who may be eligible for the Self-Isolation Support Grant who are advised to take a PCR test to ensure they can confirm their infection to be potentially eligible for financial support.

CROSS-CURRICULAR CONTEXTS/INTERDISCIPLINARY LEARNING

Our Historical World is the theme for our cross-curricular learning for the start of this term. Pupils will study a chosen context and will be taught the relevant knowledge, understanding and skills in order to answer the interdisciplinary learning big question, "How did people live in the past?"

The cross-curricular contexts are as follows. Please let us know if you can help in any way!

Class	Context	Class	Context
P1D & P1S	The 1980s	P5M/F & P5M	The Victorians
P2N/M & P2S	The 1970s	P6	The Jacobites
P3M/O & P3P	The 1960s	P6/7	Scottish Inventors
P4B & P4W	Mary, Queen of Scots	P7	History of Sport

SNSA

Every year, P1, P4 and P7 participate in the Scottish National Standardised Assessments. This helps to see how children nationally are progressing in the key areas of Literacy and Numeracy. Our P4 pupils will be undertaking these assessments in January, P7 in February and P1 in March. Further information for parents and carers can be found by visiting the following link.

<https://standardisedassessment.gov.scot/parents-and-carers/>

TERMLY OVERVIEWS

As we start a new term, all staff will make available to you a termly overview for your child's class. This will be posted on the school website so please look out for that next week as it will allow you to see the learning planned for Term 3.

LEARNING ABOUT OTHER WORLD RELIGIONS

Our school has a well established Religious and Moral Education policy which ensures that all pupils have the opportunity to learn about the 6 main world religions during their time at Hazlehead. This allows the pupils to learn about faiths that are different to their own as well as promoting tolerance and respect towards others. In Terms 1 and 2, P3P have been learning about Hinduism with input and support from a number of staff. Their learning has been captured in a short video which you can see here. <https://www.wevideo.com/view/2502733775>

BIRD WATCHING AT HAZLEHEAD

Mrs. Gordon has brightened up our rotunda with some fantastic bird designs while working with P3M/O.

Our Eco Group have also signed up for the RSPB Big School Birdwatch which will take place before The end of February. There is also the Big Garden Birdwatch if any family wants to take part in. You Are asked to simply count the birds you see in your garden, from your balcony or in your local part for 1 hour between 28th and 30th January 2022. For more information, please visit <https://www.rspb.org.uk/get-involved/activities/birdwatch/> Please also let the school know if you have participated.



PRIMARY 1 PLACING REQUESTS

Please note that P1 school applications are completed online. The system is live now and Primary 1 places should be applied for by January 17th. Further details can be found here - [Starting Primary 1](#)

DIARY DATES REMINDER

Monday 14th February 2022:

Mid Term Holiday

Tuesday 15th February 2022:

Inservice (school closed to all pupils)

Wednesday 16th February 2022:

Inservice (school closed to all pupils)

Friday 1st April 2022:

Term 3 ends

Have a lovely weekend. Barbara Jones ☺