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Primary School



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# Newsletter

Dear Families,

We hope you are all well and keeping safe. We are missing seeing you all on a daily basis and we look forward to when we can safely be together again. Some of you will have had phone calls from us this week and we are hoping to get through to everyone else by the end of next week. We hope you are enjoying the beautiful weather we are having at the moment and that the children are getting to be outdoors as much as possible. We look forward to speaking with you soon. Kind regards, Team CPS

## Learning at home- online

Our staff continue to support our pupils' learning at home by posting and interacting with their classes through the Microsoft Teams platform. This has been accessed by many of our families, and pupils are able to complete tasks set by their teachers, receive feedback, and interact with their teachers and classmates on the 'Playground' channel. It has been really fabulous to see the posts and photo's that have been shared. Not only have pupils been completing tasks that have been set, but they are sharing other activities and achievements with us. If you would like to access this, but have been unable, please email the school office and we can support you with getting this set up. Families are also able to find our weekly learning grids on our school website 'Learning' tab, and class teachers continue to allocate reading through Bugclub, and numeracy challenges on 'Sumdog'. We do not wish any of our pupils to be disadvantaged through lack of access to technology, so please let us know if we are able to offer some 'discrete' support with this.

## *Communicating with families*

We continue to communicate with our families throughout this time of school closure. We are sending our Groupcall messages, we are posting on Teams, we are 'Tweeting' and we are also contacting families by telephone. Our website is being regularly updated also. Please keep in touch with us by email if you need any support. You can email the school office: [office@craighead.e-dunbarton.sch.uk](mailto:office@craighead.e-dunbarton.sch.uk)

We have also set up a closed, Facebook group for families which you can access if you are a current parent/carer. To access this, you will need to answer the security questions and agree to the member rules. This will be set to allow us to share information with parents, but any comments and queries should be directed to the school email address above.

## **Hub Life**

Children of key workers continue to have access to the Lennoxton Hub and we are grateful to staff across Craighead, Lennoxton and St Machan's primaries for supporting this. We cannot forget to thank our catering staff, facilities staff and EDLC who are also invaluable in supporting us. Children attending the hub access play and learning experiences whilst being able to be kept safe by following social distancing guidance.

For advice and information, check out:

<https://education.gov.scot/parentzone/learning-at-home/>

## TRANSITION ARRANGEMENTS

We appreciate that many families are beginning to think about Transition arrangements. East Dunbartonshire Council website will give updates regarding placing requests. Please be reassured that we are working behind the scenes to prepare information for our new P1's and will be sending this out in due course. Our Primary 7 pupils will also be contacted by their Secondary Schools with regards to transition arrangements when we are in a position to confirm details. You will appreciate that we are guided by The Scottish Government with regards pupils returning to school.

### Reporting Arrangements

When school returns, arrangements will be made for families to receive their child's written school report which is normally issued the first week in June. We appreciate that our face to face parent information evening was cancelled, however there is not currently any option for us to reschedule this given the current circumstances.

### Counselling Service

A telephone based counselling service is now available for young people in East Dunbartonshire aged 10+. Counselling is one of a range of supports available to improve young people's mental health and wellbeing. The counselling service is run by qualified, experienced counsellors. Information will be emailed to families and can be found on East Dunbartonshire Council Website.



*Nurturing, Supporting and Challenging our children as they grow as learners*