

## SCHOOL CLOSURE

The next few weeks will be an anxious time for us all but please remember that we are here to support and will be thinking of our families and school community during this challenging period.

We have created a 'School Closure' tab on our school website. This will have the current 'Learning Grid' for each stage as well as some useful websites and parent leaflets. This is a work in progress and will be updated during this school closure. It can be found at:

<http://www.lornestreet-pri.glasgow.sch.uk/TextList/TextList.aspx?SectionId=ad7f7dc6-5f2c-47c2-82ea-20792f141451>

The main page of our website has Coronavirus advice from the Government and Glasgow City Council. This can be found at:

<http://www.lornestreet-pri.glasgow.sch.uk/>

We hope that parents will support their child/children with the learning tasks assigned by teachers and ask that you encourage your child/children to complete tasks from their Learning Grids regularly. However, this cannot be at the detriment of the health and wellbeing of your family. In the same way that homework should not become a stressful experience, neither should home learning. The priority during this unprecedented situation is to ensure that everyone is healthy, both mentally and physically.

There are many activities that you can do with your children out with the Learning Grids. For example:

- Reading every day (books, comics, recipes, dictionary etc.)
- Writing to friends and family that they cannot see at the moment
- Keeping a diary
- Practical maths: cooking, sorting items, scavenger hunts
- Fine motor work: lego, cutting, playdough, tidying up
- Research a topic of interest (country/famous person/invention, etc)
- Board games and card games
- Imaginative free play
- Educational website (see email & website for details)

### GENERAL TIPS FOR SUPPORTING LEARNING AT HOME

- Listen, talk, and encourage – this can have a huge influence on children's learning
- Encourage your child to talk to you about their learning in school and build on that.
- Talk to your child about their strengths and interests and how they are progressing.
- Praise your child if he/she is working hard at something or has achieved something.
- Encourage any reading.



- Look for opportunities at home to develop literacy and numeracy skills: money, number problems, time, measuring, matching, size, reading, writing, understanding instructions, questioning information.
- Give your child opportunities to work with you and on their own.
- Talk to your child about how they are feeling.
- Talk about what you're doing as you carry out everyday tasks like making lunch/dinner, washing up etc.
- Encourage your child to take responsibility for jobs around the house which are appropriate for their age e.g. make their bed, clean their bedroom, wash/dry the dishes, make their lunch/dinner with you etc.

We will continue to update you through social media and email or text. Please continue to share your learning and achievements through Twitter and do not hesitate to get in touch with any queries. Teachers are available on SeeSaw and Twitter, during usual school times, to answer questions or queries.

We look forward to welcoming you back at Lorne Street Primary in the not too distant future.



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