



Dear Parents / Carers,

News Update – November 2020

Seesaw

I hope you have been able to sign up to Seesaw after receiving a Family Invite from your class teacher. Our teachers are beginning to post evidence of children's learning on to the site. We are very pleased with the programme as it allows us to communicate regularly with you about your child's learning.

If you haven't yet signed up, or had difficulty doing so through the Family Invite, please contact Mr MacLeod at Alistair.MacLeod22@argyll-bute.gov.uk and he will help to set you up.

Glow and Google Classroom

During the school closure period, in common with other Argyll and Bute schools, we used Google Classroom as our main method of providing home learning. We are working on ensuring that it can continue to be available for use for home learning in the future.

Teachers will be posting occasional homework activities on Google Classroom. We would like all children to be able to access these activities.

Google Classroom is within Glow, Scotland's nationally available digital environment. Glow can be found by Googling 'Glow Login' and clicking on the link 'Glow – Sign in – RM Unify'.

If you have any questions about this online platform, or are having difficulties accessing it, or if your child is unsure about their username or password, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Interactive Boards

P4-7 have been able to use a new large screen Prowise interactive board since the start of term. We have now purchased a similar board for our P1-3 class. The boards provide an excellent visual, online and interactive resource. We are hoping that our second board will be installed during November.

Swimming

Currently, given the covid situation and our risk assessments in that respect, we are not able to arrange swimming sessions for the children. We will resume the sessions next year, or as soon as possible after there are changes in the covid restrictions that allow us to.

Bikeability

We are looking into Bikeability cycle training and will update you when we have more news on that.



Depute Head Teacher Maternity Leave

As you will know, Mrs Cairns is currently on maternity leave. The appointment process for the cover for her leave is in progress. I will confirm the details of the cover appointment with you as soon as I am able to.

In-service Days

A reminder that there will be two In-service Days in November, on Friday 27th and Monday 30th November. School will be closed for pupils on these days.

Holidays

The last day of this term will be Wednesday 23rd December and school will reopen after the Christmas holiday on Thursday 7th January.

If you do have any questions on any matter, please do not hesitate to contact me at Richard.Long@argyll-bute.gov.uk .

Kind Regards
Richard Long
Head Teacher