



# East Lothian Council

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## **Parent/ Carer Update 29th January**

Dear Parents/ Carers,

### **Survey Feedback**

Thank you to all of those who were able to complete the feedback survey. The feedback given overall was positive and reassuring to the approach that we have taken so far. Please see some updates below to support remote learning moving forward.

\*Staff have created a video demonstration for parents and carers on how to sign in to Google Classroom and upload pieces of work. This video can be accessed here: <https://youtu.be/OptlsgVCJOg> . It is important that where possible children do submit evidence of their learning either through sharing google docs, uploading files, photos or videos etc. We are now introducing the children to new learning and in submitting evidence it will support teachers to plan and differentiate learning to best meet children's needs.

\*Staff have agreed to have between 1 and 2 scheduled google meets a week. The primary focus of these will be health and wellbeing, to support relationships and personal interaction.

\*Any children who have not been active on Google Classroom by a Wednesday are contacted by their class teacher via email with parents cc'd in. If a child has not been active by Friday then their names will be given to me and I will follow up with a pastoral call on a Monday.

\*We will continue to set 3 tasks a day – Literacy, Numeracy and IDL. Feedback was that this was manageable whilst recognising that some families were having difficulties on work days. We completely understand this and would just reiterate that families can work learning to suit their days and lives. You will know what works for you. Learning will continue to be delivered through pre-recorded materials to allow equity of access for all.

\*Assemblies will continue to take place at 9:30am on a Friday with the meet link going live on the Friday morning for children to join.

\*Stationery packs and pantry items continue to be available outside of the school office window for contactless collection. The pantry now also includes packed lunch bags – if you would like access to these on a daily basis can you let myself or admin know for numbers. We will continue to monitor the stock of this and update where necessary. Parents/ carers can collect from here any time between 9:30am and 2:30pm daily. As always any family requiring additional support during this time then please get in touch with me via [ldavies@st-martins.elcschool.org.uk](mailto:ldavies@st-martins.elcschool.org.uk) .

### **Pupils Focus Feedback Groups**

I will be holding pupil feedback sessions on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> February. Children have been asked if they would like to join these meets on their Google Classroom page and will be sent a link directly to their edubuzz account to join. This will be an opportunity for children to share their thoughts and feedback on their remote learning experience.

### **St Martin's Twitter Page**

Our twitter page will continue to be active during this period of remote learning with teachers uploading some of the wonderful work being submitted by our learners. If you aren't already then make sure you are following us @stmartinsrcps.

### **Drop in Session**

A reminder of the next drop in session available to parents should you have any general queries or questions during this remote learning period.

Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> February 3:30pm

<https://meet.google.com/ixr-qvfg-xbk>

Wishing you all a safe and relaxing weekend ahead,

Mrs Davies and all at St Martin's Primary