



Weekly update

Friday 1st May

Dedridge Primary School / Glenvue Nursery

Message from Mr Todd / Mrs French



Hello all and welcome to this week's weekly update. I hope that you have all had a good week and that you are coping with lockdown!

Learning and teaching survey

Thank you to all of you who completed the learning and teaching survey. This survey told us, that on the whole, you were happy with the way that activities had been provided and wanted us to continue providing literacy, numeracy and 'other' activities on a daily basis. So – this is what we have done and we hope that you continue to be happy with this. Another survey will be coming out next week and, as part of this, we will be asking you again. This is to ensure that we continue to get this right for you and your family as we do appreciate how difficult this is!

Supporting families

As I have said before please let us know if there is any ways that we can support you. Ways that we have already supported families; providing laptops to families who needed one, giving out work packs for those families with no internet, supporting families to collect lunches / have them delivered to them, supporting families with our family worker, supporting children with home learning issues, chatting to families who are struggling, teachers supporting families through E mail, families being supported through weekly phone calls. Please, please contact us if any of these could be a help to you or you can think of something else we may be able to help with!

Hot chocolate

We are going to continue the idea of 'Hot chocolate Friday' . . .
 . . Watch out in the post for some exciting deliveries!!!!!!!

Learning and teaching

This week has seen our highest engagement yet in learning and teaching. Thank you so much for your continued efforts – we know how challenging this is. Please, please keep letting us know

what you are doing and how you are doing. We love to hear from you!

26 or 2.6 challenge

This week we also launched our 2.6 or 26 challenge. The children will hear more about this at assembly today. Dedridge staff are trying to raise money for Jak's Den as we cannot complete our bike ride yet. We have all tried to do something around the number 26 (or 2.6 – walk or run 2.6 miles or km etc). Even if you cannot donate we would love to see what you can do!

Achievement assembly

Achievement assembly will be the 15th May – please let us know your achievements!

Resources Tuesday

From 12-2 on a Tuesday we are going to provide a 'drop in' service at Dedridge for any resources you may need to continue home learning – this will be jotters, paper etc. This will also be an opportunity for you to collect your learning packs. This will begin on **Tuesday 12th May**.

Free School Meals

Please also contact us if you are struggling to access free school meals. This is a 'take away' service and the weekly menu can be found on the App. We can help you get meals delivered to your door. If you need this, please let us know and we can organise for you. Either drop a message into the school E mail box, contact your teacher or phone Saint Ninian's on a Tuesday.

Dates

Just a reminder of some dates:

Monday 4th May – Bank holiday – no learning activities on this day.

Tuesday 5th May – In-service day. Activities will be provided but no 'check ins' from teachers on this day!

Tuesday 12th May – Resources Tuesday begins! 12-2 from Dedridge – come and collect paper / card etc.

Friday 15th May – Achievement assembly – let us know your achievements.

	<p>Monday 18th May – Bank holiday – no learning activities on this day.</p>
<p>Weekly assembly</p>	<p>Thank you to those of you who joined us for our first weekly assembly on Friday. It was very emotional to all be together and I know a few members of staff (me) left with a tear in their eye. Today's assembly promises to be just as much fun so please join us at 10am today for our whole school assembly.</p> <p>Nursery - P3 – A PowerPoint will be sent out with the assembly on it. This can be found on our school blog. This is also available for any P4-7 students who have not managed to join us. We are working on a way to be able to speak to you live and we have our best people on it!!!!!!!!!!</p> <p>P4-7 - The assembly will go out 'live' via Teams. You need to access this from the Teams page entitled 'assembly'. Please join us and bring any younger siblings along with you!!!!</p>
<p>Weekly highlights</p>	<p><u>Mrs Keegan</u> I've had lots of photographs sent to me this week and it has really brightened up my mood; but just when I think things can get any better one of my pupils sent a Sway to me to say hello. He posted it on the blog so everyone could see it. It makes me feel so much better to know that while I was learning a new skill so was he. Can't wait to get back to school to make Sways for our class to share at assembly. Keep sending your photographs and we could make a sway of everyone's pictures.</p> <p><u>Mr Sinclair</u> P7 shared lots of good number strategies by exploring multiplication splats together on Teams.</p> <p><u>Miss Young</u> My highlight is that every day this week I received emails from P2/1 boys and girls. I have received photos of jotter work, photos of them having fun, videos showing someone thinking through their numeracy questions, photos of instruments they have made. Every day I have had a big smile when I have opened my emails to see such great work!</p> <p><u>Miss Wilson</u> We have been using a new platform, SWAY, online this week which so many children in primary 1 have enjoyed using. It has made us feel more connected as a class. I received an email with pictures of a child taking part of our science experiment with a HUGE smile on their face. I am glad you are having fun while learning P1!</p> <p><u>Mrs French</u></p>

	<p>Hearing the wonderful news that one of our P7 girls has been successful in her auditions for a Dance school in Glasgow. This was highly competitive to get into and she had to show such resilience to get there. She will attend this as her secondary school and I know that she is going to have to work hard to keep her place there! Well done – we are so proud of you!!!!!!!!!!!!!!</p> <p><u>Mrs Steven</u> Receiving an email from a parent with photos of work from my SfL SWAY and telling me how much their child is enjoying it. Seeing my colleague (Mrs Johnstone) having digital success with sharing a Kahoot during her live lesson after just a little bit of help.</p> <p><u>Mr Price</u> The highlight of the week for P5 has been about showing respect. We have written letters of appreciation to the people that help us, made tribute sculptures in Minecraft and took part in the International Workers Memorial Day silence.</p>
<p>Key contact details</p>	<p>If you are struggling to get online or access the work, please get in touch through the school email wldedridge-ps@westlothian.org.uk We will get back to you as soon as possible.</p> <p>You can also keep up to date by downloading our school App – we will eventually be moving away from Groupcall and using this App only. We are hoping to do this at the end of May. Please try to download the App and encourage other members of the Dedridge / Glenvue community to do this also.</p> <div data-bbox="1002 1507 1166 1666" data-label="Image"> </div>