# MULLAGLASS PRIMARY SCHOOL



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Dear Parents

I hope everyone is keeping safe and well. From speaking to the teachers in the school, I know that all the children are being kept busy with engaging work and all the teachers have been so impressed with the quality of work being received. At present, we still are unsure how long remote learning will continue for. We continue to follow government advice and we will return to school when it's safe to do so.

It is amazing how well the children have adapted to the circumstances. I want to thank all the teachers for their continued dedication and hard work. Teachers are setting exciting and challenging activities every day for the pupils. These tasks are linked to their class curriculum. Teachers are marking and commenting on work received and engaging with each pupil on a daily basis. I also really want to thank all the parents for supporting the children with their daily tasks in what is extremely challenging times. It can't be easy juggling working from home with home life.

#### Remote Learning

If you are having difficulty accessing enough devices for your children to work on, please let me know. If anyone is finding SeeSaw difficult or is a little unsure of how to do something, please let your class teacher know and they will help you. Mrs Whiteside tried to make contact with all families last Thursday and Friday to see how things are going and if there is any other way we can assist you. Mrs Whiteside reported back such positive feedback from all the parents which was lovely to hear. We will continue to keep in close contact with all families.

# Bank Holiday Friday 8th May 2020

School was to be closed this Friday for the Bank Holiday VE Day celebrations as Britain celebrates 75 years from the end of World War II in Europe. There will be no work posted on Friday. Make sure all pupils have a well-deserved break from work.

### P7 TRANSFER

P7 school placement letters for next year should arrive with pupils and parents on 29th May 2020.

## AQE

We still have no clarity about the AQE tests in the autumn term. AQE registration has been delayed until Thursday  $14^{th}$  May 2020

#### **KEY WORKERS**

The school has remained open for supervision of children of key workers, who have no other viable childcare facility, to facilitate them getting to work. I am very grateful to the school staff who are providing this service for those parents in need.

If you need to avail of this service, please email me by **3pm each Friday** to tell me your requirements for the following week. Any application received after this time may not be accepted. We aim to maintain this service as long as we have adequate staff cover.

### School Updates

- Please download the Schools NI app and ensure you have set Mullaglass PS as a favourite.
- SCHOOLS Northern Ireland

- Refer to the school website. www.mullaglassps.com
- Like the school Facebook page



Finally, it has been wonderful to hear such glowing reports from the community and afar with regards how much Mullaglass is doing for the children and parents over the last number of weeks. It can be challenging keeping a school open, continuing to teach through online learning everyday as well as adapting to the ever changing circumstances.

Thank you to everyone for their continued support and I hope to see the children back at Mullaglass with their friends very soon.

Please remember if you need any help, please contact any of the staff by email or contact the school.

Yours faithfully

Mr P Greenaway

Principal