

# **MULLAGLASS PRIMARY SCHOOL**

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**Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> October 2020**

Dear Parents / Carers,

Today, the Executive has announced that schools and other education settings will have the half-term holiday break extended from 19<sup>th</sup> to 30<sup>th</sup> October.

## **Key Worker Provision**

Following the guidance from the Department of Education and Executive, Mullaglass Primary School will be closed to all pupils during these two weeks including children of key workers.

## **Remote Learning**

As this is an extension of the half-term break, the Department of Education has stated that this half-term break is **not intended** to be used for remote learning. Following this direction, there will be no remote learning next week on Seesaw. Children do have access to Reading Eggs and can continue to read in their free time.

The children at Mullaglass have worked extremely hard over 'lockdown' with their Seesaw work and have continued this work since they returned to school in August / September. Any pupil who has been off has been sent home work through Seesaw each day. Please use this time to reset, rest and enjoy much deserved family time.

If schools are to remain closed after 30<sup>th</sup> October, we will revert to online learning using Seesaw.

## **Free School Meals**

During the week beginning 19<sup>th</sup> October direct payments will be made to pupils in receipt of Free School Meals.

## **School Photographer**

This was scheduled for next Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> October. We will rearrange date for when the pupils return to school.

## **Parent Interviews**

Parent Interviews were scheduled for next week. They will be postponed to a later date.

### **Friday 16<sup>th</sup> October 2020**

As the pupils will miss out on their Fancy Dress Day next week, we will have a non-uniform day this Friday.

### **AQE**

We will continue with our AQE Club this Friday (2pm - 3:15pm). Pupils will receive all their past papers to date. They can bring these home to keep and this will help with their revision and help focus on specific areas they might find difficult.

We will email two past papers (PDF) to parents for the pupils to work through over the next two weeks. We will also email the mark scheme for parents to mark. Please do not send these papers / results to the class teacher through Seesaw. We will see how all the pupils are getting on when school starts back on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> November.

I'd like to say thank you to all the staff for their work with the children this half-term. They have shown great dedication and commitment to keeping Mullaglass a safe and welcoming place for the children to learn.

I would like to say huge well done to all the pupils for all of their efforts and hard work this half-term. It has been wonderful to have everyone back in school safely. Do read in your free time as well as use Reading Eggs. However, more importantly, enjoy spending time with your family, get plenty of exercise outside, do the things you enjoy doing and rest up.

Finally, I'd like to thank all the parents and wider family circle of Mullaglass for your continued understanding and support during these difficult times. If anyone has any queries or concerns, please contact myself at the school.

Yours faithfully

Mr Greenaway  
Principal