



# GRYFFE HIGH SCHOOL

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Dear Pupils and Parents/Carers

I hope you are well and following the national advice and staying safe. Last week we tried our very best to establish routines and keep, as best we can, to a 'norm'.

Last week the school was still open to children of parents/carers who work in the front line services however as of tomorrow, Monday 30 March, Gryffe High School will be closed. As detailed in a previous Steven Quinn update, most schools across the local authority will be completely closed and pupils and staff redirected to central 'hubs'. Our pupils, of parents/carers in the front line services, will be reallocated to the West Johnstone Campus and as such I will be there tomorrow to welcome them and then ensure that they, and pupils from other schools, are fully supported in order to enable their parents/carers to get to work.

## Our continued focus:

- Creating online resources, for each subject, for S1, S2 and S3 pupils in order for pupils to learn from home  
*... we feel this is going well, and I urge parents/carers to support their children maintain their routines as far as possible. Pupils should work through the materials at their own pace, keep in communication with teachers and submit work as requested. Thank you for the many kind comments in regard to the efforts of staff and your appreciation of work being set.*
- To support S4, S5 and S6 pupils where possible get further evidence to support estimate marks where appropriate ... this might be course work...etc along with further evidence  
*... I sent all S4, S5 and S6 pupils and parents/carers an update via SMHW on Wednesday 25 March, and we have had no further detail since that date. We await the further details on the estimation of grades and fuller details of the approach to certification from the SQA, however I want to reassure you that we are doing everything possible to support our young people in ensuring that they gain the grades in their exams that they have worked so hard for.*  
*Also, as mentioned in my last update, if pupils are not back in May/June then we will consider new S5 and new S6 pupils starting their National 5/Higher/Advanced Higher work via digital platforms similar to the S1, S2 and S3 pupils. I will provide more information on this once we receive updated detail from the SQA.*
- Pupils able to be in contact with their teachers in order to have support..... via Glow Teams, SMHW, emails ..... etc  
*... The communication channels seem to be working well and I would ask that you please contact us if we can do anything else to support you and your family. Our priority is keeping our loved ones, colleagues and community physically safe. Along with physical health we must also focus on mental and emotional health. Please look at the school website for some helpful wellbeing links.*

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- Support vulnerable pupils and children of front line service parents/carers

*... Our Senior Managers and our Principal Teachers of Pupil Support have been contacting a range of families as a check in and to ask if we can do anything more to help. As previously stated, please feel free to contact us for support/advice. I will be working mainly from West Johnstone Campus, however I will still have access to all school details, including the school network, and would ask that you feel free to contact me at any time.*

*If you, or anyone else you are aware of, are unable to access on-line resources for your child then please pick up ready made packs which we have left at Houston and Killellan Church, Houston. There are packs for S1, S2 and S3 pupils, with each pack having appropriate English and Maths work to start with. The packs are being taken by S6 pupil volunteers to the church tomorrow. Church contact details are: 01505 612 569 or email [gnoonan@churchofscotland.org.uk](mailto:gnoonan@churchofscotland.org.uk)*

Finally, and as usual, please feel free to contact me should you wish me to explain anything in further detail.

Mr Colin Johnson  
Head Teacher

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