



25th January 2021,

Dear Parent/ carer,

Thank you again for encouraging your children to engage with their learning remotely. This method of learning will be how pupils exclusively engage with schools until the middle of February but it is likely that an increased use of electronic devices and remote learning will feature in schools and education for longer than that. This is why it is so important that you encourage your child to engage with as much of their learning as possible, in particular live lessons.

To ensure its success we are monitoring pupil's engagement with their lessons, subject by subject, weekly. Engagement is measured on work uploaded, participation during live lessons and engagement with the teacher within and out-with lesson times. You may already have received a text congratulating your child on their positive engagement, a phone call encouraging your child to engage with more lessons than they are currently or indeed a letter from me saying we haven't seen your child in class since we returned in January. These contacts are intended to support us to find out how to help your child engage. More contact will be made this week.

It is vital that pupils in the senior phase S4-S6, who will be getting graded for their SQA exams based upon their teacher's judgement this year, engage with all of their SQA classes every period in the week. Work being set and uploaded now will be used to determine that judgement alongside work completed prior to the lockdown and work that will be collected after the lockdown but it is a very important time for senior pupils to ensure they are engaging to the best of their ability.

There will be a parental zoom call meeting to support parents with common ICT and iPad issues on Thursday evening at 6.30pm the codes will be sent via text on Thursday morning, please come along and hear the advice and information our pupil and staff digital leaders have.

Regards,

L Hamilton

Mrs L Hamilton,

Headteacher