



Education Resources
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Cairns Primary School
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Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you are all well. The First Minister's announcement on Saturday means we have had to plan for a very different return to school in January than we had anticipated.

It has been announced today that Wednesday 6th January 2021 will be an exceptional closure day to allow staff time to plan and prepare for home learning which will take place from 11th January 2021. This time is also needed to allow us to assess how many children will be returning to school and to plan appropriately for this. Please see the attached letter and form for further information. If relevant please return the online form to both email address - office@cairns-pri.-slanark.sch.uk AND gw20slccairnspshw@glow.sch.uk.

We would like to remind you that families arranging their own childcare remains the priority at this time as we strive to reduce the spread of this virus.

I would like to reassure you that we have been working exceptionally hard to develop our on-line learning approaches and we are all already thinking about January and how we can make the online experience the best it can be. I urge you to encourage your children to access their google classrooms and,



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as always, to get in touch via the SLT email address, if you need any help.
(Address - gw20slccairnsphw@glow.sch.uk)

All children were given a home-learning pack/toolkit yesterday to take home. We will make arrangements for other children to collect their packs when we return in January and parents will be emailed with details of this.

We will be meeting, as a senior leadership team, before we come back on the 6th January 2021 to make sure we are prepared. We know we will have the support of our staff and parents to get through these next few challenges together.

On behalf of the staff and senior leadership team, may I thank you again for your continued support and wish you a peaceful and relaxing Christmas and a healthy and happy new year.

Please take care of yourselves and your families

Kindest regards,

H Gillan
Head Teacher

