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Head Teacher Newsletter: 6th May 2022

Dear Ratho Primary School Community,

Welcome back to all our pupils and families for the final term of the session! Whilst we had a full week back after the spring holiday, we've now had a short week for the pupils. From here on (excepting a 2 day holiday on 2nd & 3rd June) the term promises to be a busy one... We have planned for 8 weeks full of excellent learning and experiences and have much to look forward to over the remainder of the school session. Please see below for information of what is happening in classes, across the school and other important information of which parents and carers should be aware.

I hope all our families and pupils enjoy the term ahead.

Yours sincerely,

Peter Gibb, Head Teacher.

Curriculum Information Leaflets

Curriculum Information Leaflets for the final term have been created and posted for all classes. Please view your child's class page on our school website here: [Our Classes – Ratho Primary School](#) or please click on the links below to go directly to the Curriculum Information Leaflet and find out 'What we are learning this term' for each of our classes...

- [Primary 1](#)
- [Primary 1 in P1/2](#)
- [Primary 2 in P1/2](#)
- [Primary 2](#)
- [Primary 3a](#)
- [Primary 3b](#)
- [Primary 4](#)
- [Primary 4/5](#)
- [Primary 5](#)
- [Primary 6](#)
- [Primary 6/7](#)
- [Primary 7](#)

Building Resilience

Please see our Parent/Carer information leaflet for this term's Building Resilience Unit "Making a Difference" please [click here](#) to view more information about this theme and how you can support this learning at home too.



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Learning Journals

A reminder that all Learning Journals for all classes were updated at the end of last term... Please log in and see what your child has been learning here:

[Your Learning Journals](#)

Home Learning

As you are all be aware, Home Learning at Ratho Primary school is issued via Microsoft TEAMS. All pupils across P1-P7 should be accessing Teams each week to view and complete their homework but we have noticed that not all pupils are accessing or responding via Teams.

If any parents/carers need support with digital access, please contact the school. In addition, we run a 'Digital Home Learning' club on a Monday straight after school. Again, if parents/carers wish their child to attend, please contact the school.

Homework is issued every week except the week before or after a holiday or on 'short' weeks (ie. May bank holiday week). Please see the guide and video for support in using Microsoft TEAMS for Home Learning on our website here:

[Home Learning – Ratho Primary School](#)

Dandelion Project

A letter detailing our involvement in the Dandelion (potato growing/harvest) project was sent this week, a copy can be found here: [Newsletters – Ratho Primary School](#)

A reminder that Mrs Brown will be in the playground to distribute potato seeds and compost today (Friday 6th May) from 12.30 until 2.00 pm and next week (w/b 9th May) after school from 3.15 pm until 4.30 pm Mon – Wed and again on the Fri afternoon (13th May).

Upcoming events

There will be messages and communications for individual classes as appropriate, please look out for these and respond as necessary.

- Next week we will have our 'Assessment Week'
- Tempest School Photographer has been rescheduled for Tuesday 24th May
- Parents/Carer consultations will take place via phonecall on the afternoon/evening of 24-26th May. The booking form will be issued next week.
- We will participate in whole school learning and celebration of the Bi-Centenary of the Union Canal and the launch of the Ratho leg of the Flotilla 200 on Saturday May 21st at 9.15-10am [Flotilla 200](#)
- Ratho Gala Day is on Saturday 11th June!
- Transition week is w/b June 13th
- Health week, Sports Days and End of Session Reports will be w/b June 20th.
- School will finish for the session on Friday July 1st at 12.00noon.



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Parking

A reminder that parents/carers are requested not to use the school car park and to 'park and stride' if they have to drive their children to school. Car drivers please be safe, mindful and respectful to children, each other and our neighbours at all times please.

Update on Covid guidance

A letter was issued from Jason Leitch detailing the updated Covid guidance, please see again here: [Newsletters – Ratho Primary School](#) or view the full guidance here: [Changes from 1 May - Coronavirus \(COVID-19\): staying at home - gov.scot \(www.gov.scot\)](#)

Guidance for children attending school

- Children and young people with mild symptoms such as a runny nose, sore throat, or slight cough, who are otherwise well, can continue to attend their education setting.
- Children and young people who are unwell and have a high temperature should stay at home and avoid contact with other people, where they can. They can go back to school, college or childcare, and resume normal activities when they no longer have a high temperature and they are well enough to attend.

Children and young people aged 18 years and under who have a positive test result

- It is not recommended that children and young people are tested for COVID-19 unless directed to by a health professional.
- If a child or young person has a positive COVID-19 test result they should stay at home and avoid contact with other people for 3 days after the day they took the test or from symptom onset (whichever was earliest), if they can. After 3 days, if they feel well and do not have a high temperature, the risk of passing the infection on to others is much lower. This is because children and young people tend to be infectious to other people for less time than adults.

Guidance for adults: what to do if you have symptoms of a respiratory infection, including COVID-19, and have not taken a COVID-19 test

- Stay at home and avoid contact with other people.
- If you have symptoms of a respiratory infection, such as COVID-19, and you have a high temperature or do not feel well enough to go to work or carry out normal activities, stay at home and avoid contact with other people, until you no longer have a high temperature (if you had one) or until you no longer feel unwell.
- If you have a positive COVID-19 test result, it is very likely that you have COVID-19 even if you do not have any symptoms. You can pass on the infection to others, even if you have no symptoms
- Many people with COVID-19 will no longer be infectious to others after 5 days. If you have a positive COVID-19 test result, stay at home and avoid contact with other people for 5 days after the day you took your test or from symptom onset (whichever was earliest)



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- At the end of this period, if you have a high temperature or feel unwell, follow this advice until you feel well enough to resume normal activities and you no longer have a high temperature if you had one

If you have symptoms of a respiratory infection, such as COVID-19, and you have a high temperature or you do not feel well enough to go to work or carry out normal activities, you are advised to stay at home and avoid contact with other people.

Symptoms of COVID-19, flu and common respiratory infections include:

- continuous cough
- high temperature, fever or chills
- loss of, or change in, your normal sense of taste or smell
- shortness of breath
- unexplained tiredness, lack of energy
- muscle aches or pains that are not due to exercise
- not wanting to eat or not feeling hungry
- headache that is unusual or longer lasting than usual
- sore throat, stuffy or runny nose
- diarrhoea, feeling sick or being sick
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Many thanks for your continued support of the school... Please contact us via admin@ratho.edin.sch.uk or 0131 333 1293 if you have any queries, concerns or need assistance.



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Dates for Session 2021-2022... and beyond!

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School Closed/Holidays

Teacher In-Service Day (closed for pupils)