Dear parent/carer

I am aware that a lot of information has been sent out to you as we have received it over the last week. I wanted to write to you all to summarise the supports being put in place and to let you know how to contact us should you need to.

**School Closed**

At present we have no young people attending the school and the school is closed, although the building remains open and is staffed by the janitor and cleaners. If the circumstances change for our parents who are key workers then we will put in place emergency staffing to offer a service for these parents. We are in contact with a small number of parents who have identified themselves to us. If you are in this category, need our help, and have not yet done so - please complete the assistance form which can be found on our website and e-mail this to the Headteacher email that you can find in the contacts. **Please note that all schools in Glasgow will be fully closed over the Easter Holidays.**

**Food Vouchers**

For young people who are in receipt of free school meals and/or a clothing grant allowance, Farmfoods vouchers will be sent directly to your address. These are currently being issued to eligible parents and carers. It may take up to 10 days to receive your card. Please do not contact GCC before Monday 6 April if you have not received your card.

Letters are being posted out direct to home addresses with a £20 pre-paid Farmfoods card that can be used to buy food at stores across the city - click here to find your nearest store [https://www.farmfoods.co.uk/store-finder.php](https://email.gsn.local/owa/Headteacher%40govanhigh.glasgow.sch.uk/redir.aspx?C=OmLsbtGt_frCTD-B5lx6htA-r59m3NrBMdJw6zI4CVLA7LgimdDXCA..&URL=https%3a%2f%2fwww.farmfoods.co.uk%2fstore-finder.php)

£20 will then be uploaded every two weeks to the cards for each Glasgow primary and secondary pupil in a family who currently receive a footwear and clothing grant and/or free school meals.

**SQA**

As we have already communicated the SQA exam diet for this session has been cancelled.

This year, schools are **not required to submit learner coursework** for marking in Higher and Advanced Higher courses. For National 5, coursework that is still due, will also not be submitted for marking.

No young person with SQA coursework to complete should attend school to do so. **Coursework should still be completed at home and e-mailed to teachers as it can still be used as evidence for estimates.**

**Qualifications will be awarded based on the estimates that teachers submit**. Teachers will make these estimates using their professional judgement based on a range of evidence which will include prelim evidence, coursework and work completed in class.

<https://www.sqa.org.uk/sqa/93658.html>

**GLOW and Remote Learning**

All pupils should be working remotely on GLOW and teachers will be uploading regular work for them. Instructions on how to access GLOW are on the front page of the website. Young people will also be able to communicate with their teachers through GLOW.

Please encourage your young person to access this online learning. Many teachers are now sending out work to start preparing our young people for their qualifications next session.

**GLOW can be accessed through any device such as desktop, laptop, mobile phone, tablet and Xbox/PS4.**

If there are any issues with accessing GLOW the number for the GLOW helpline can be found below and on the school website. This service is available **Monday to Friday 9am to 3pm**. This includes throughout the Spring Break.

**Mental Health**

We understand that this will be a very stressful time for many and we have uploaded a document containing helplines on the school website. Our Pastoral team are also tweeting daily mindfulness and fitness advice. Please encourage your young person to follow Govan High School on twitter and carry out these activities.

In addition to the information above, if you need our help and assistance then please reach out either by e-mail or the contact numbers below.

Kind regards

N Belford

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