Head Teacher Report for Parent Council Meeting

Tuesday 12th January 2021

It is unfortunate that the first Head teacher’s Report for 2021 once again finds the school managing another national lockdown. So far, the vast majority of management time has been spent focusing on ensuring that families are able to engage their children with the school’s online learning programme while providing for those children who meet the current criteria from the Scottish Government.

One of the main differences with lockdown the second time around is that there is a greater expectation on children to engage with the online learning and try to complete work that is set each week by their class teacher. To avoid repetition, I would ask families to refer to the newsletter which was sent out at the beginning of term which outlines in detail what the structure of the weekly programme will be for each class.

As always, I encourage parents with any queries to contact me using the Headteacher email address (Headteacher@cardonald-pri.glasgow.sch.uk ) and I will either respond directly or ensure that the email is passed onto a member of staff to deal with. One theme that has been evident so far is that many families are still not aware that last January, the school’s website was totally modernised to facilitate and improve the level of communication to everyone within the whole school community. We ask every family to visit the school’s website on a regular basis for important updates and access to helpful guidance such as the 2 page booklet on how to set up a TEAMS account. It is during times like this that we realise how important it is for the school to be fully up to date with contact details for every family in order to ensure messages are communicated to all.

Teachers will be phoning the pupils in their class both this week and next to make sure that any questions or concerns they may have can be addressed away from TEAMS and online learning platforms.

Thank you for your patience, understanding and support during these very challenging times and we can only hope that in the near future, we will once again be inviting every pupil back into Cardonald Primary School.

Best wishes,

Martin Coogan

Headteacher