



# IRVINE ROYAL ACADEMY

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## Pupil Wellbeing

Dear parent/carer

I hope this communication finds you and the rest of your family well at this unbelievably difficult time for us all. As a school, we have contacted you all about the various arrangements for the continuation of education for our young people including access to Google Classroom and packs of paper copies of tasks. Another point we wish to stress is the importance of looking after everyone's mental health and wellbeing – both pupils and parents/carers.

There is no expectation that your homes will be organised like a school with a specific timetable to be followed. For some this may help to add structure to their day, but for others it may be a further stress which is not needed at this time. These are unprecedented times so we understand that people will be worried and anxious; we are too. This is normal and it is okay to take some time out to relax and look after each other emotionally.

Our teachers are providing work so that you have access to suitable tasks for your child but we know there are many other opportunities for learning in a home environment like learning to cook, how to garden, how to iron, how to use a washing machine and how to run a Hoover round the living room. They may not thank me for some of these suggestions right enough! The point is, we are in this together and together we will get through it.

In saying this, we realise that many of our pupils will be missing the daily contact and support from staff in school. To help with this, I have shared contact details for our Principal Teachers of Guidance and Depute Head Teachers. I know that some of you will already have had contact from them since the school closed and we will continue to check-in to see how you are doing. As this is an unusual set of circumstances, we each now have a mobile number specifically for maintaining contact. Our preferred method of communication is email but we realise that this may not suit everyone. Calls will not always be able to be answered immediately – we will do our best to get back to you as soon as we can but within the hours of a usual working day. On some occasions, this may mean a return call the next day.

We know that parents and pupils might be concerned about missing out on learning at this time but remember that every pupil is in the same situation. When we are all back together again I know that our staff will do their very best to make sure the pupils are all on track with their progress.



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If you don't already follow the school on Twitter, @IrvineRoyalAcad, please start doing so and encourage your child to do the same. Various departments in the school regularly share ideas for learning/resources and we also share information about mental health and wellbeing.

Contact details for our Principal Teachers of Guidance and Depute Head Teachers can be found below:

## Principal Teachers of Guidance

- Arran House – Mrs L Davidson – [gw09davidsonelizabe4@ea.n-ayrshire.sch.uk](mailto:gw09davidsonelizabe4@ea.n-ayrshire.sch.uk) – 07519322833
- Bute House – Mrs J Marwick – [gw09marwickjacquelin@ea.n-ayrshire.sch.uk](mailto:gw09marwickjacquelin@ea.n-ayrshire.sch.uk) – 07519322743
- Cumbrae House – Mrs L Gibson – [gw07gibsonlaura@ea.n-ayrshire.sch.uk](mailto:gw07gibsonlaura@ea.n-ayrshire.sch.uk) – 07562056132
- Inclusive Learning Programme (ILP) – Mr A Knox – [gw14knoxalan2@ea.n-ayrshire.sch.uk](mailto:gw14knoxalan2@ea.n-ayrshire.sch.uk) – 07934196716

## Depute Head Teachers/Year Heads

- S1 – Ms C Bethell – [gw09bethellclare@ea.n-ayrshire.sch.uk](mailto:gw09bethellclare@ea.n-ayrshire.sch.uk) – 07564763392
- S2 & S3 – Ms G Pryce – [gw18prycegillianx@ea.n-ayrshire.sch.uk](mailto:gw18prycegillianx@ea.n-ayrshire.sch.uk) – 07564763393
- S4 & S5/6 – Mrs L Clifford – [gw09smithlorraine4@ea.n-ayrshire.sch.uk](mailto:gw09smithlorraine4@ea.n-ayrshire.sch.uk) – 07562051932

Remember our priority at the moment is everyone's health and wellbeing. We are all looking forward to seeing you all again.

Take care of each other.

Yours faithfully

Lorraine Clifford

Acting Depute Head Teacher





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