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Dear Parent/Carer

Parent Update Letter

I am writing to update you on some key matters regarding arrangements for January.

Keyworker Children Application

Attached to this letter you will find important information from South Ayrshire Council on the criteria and application process for the keyworker childcare service. If you are eligible, please apply using the link within the letter by midnight on 30th December. Keyworker childcare provision will be in school from 6th – 15th January. Young people eligible to attend on 6th, 7th and 8th January will be supervised in school. Support staff will supervise young people to access remote learning assigned to them from 11th January.

N5 Key Assessments and Higher/Advanced H Prelims

The First Minister has indicated that remote learning will be in place from Monday 11th until at least Monday 18th January. Therefore, our scheduled Prelims and Key Assessments will not be able to commence as planned. We do intend to hold these assessments when appropriate and young people should continue to prepare for them. I will be in touch again early in the New Year when we have a clearer picture of the situation at this time and a firm date for all students to return to school.

Remote Learning

Staff will return to school on Wednesday 6th January to plan for remote learning. I will contact you again with further details on this, but in the meantime please visit the online learning support section of our school website, which can be accessed at www.marr.sayr.sch.uk/.

Our Christmas 2020 edition of the school Newsletter can be accessed [here](#) and features many of the activities that young people and staff have been involved in over the last term. Many thanks to the School News team for producing another excellent edition.

Once again, thank you to all parents and carers for your patience and understanding as we plan arrangements for a period of remote learning and school returning in January.

Best wishes for the festive season.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'George Docherty'.

George Docherty
Head Teacher