

People Directorate

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Your Ref:

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Dear Parent/Carer

I hope that you are safe and well and coping with these very unusual and challenging times.

As you will be aware, our Care and Wellbeing Team (CWB) comprises of the following members of staff:

- Mr Scott – DHT (Pupil Support Co-ordinator/Child Protection Officer)
- Mr Booth – PT Guidance (Trochrague House)
- Miss Hutchison - PT Guidance (Doune House)
- Mrs Dupuy - PT Guidance (Bargany House)
- Mr Muir – PT Pupil Support

Each of these members of staff have a special role in school to monitor the wellbeing of your children and to respond if your child has any worries or concerns. This pastoral support role involves each member of the team speaking with young people to discuss wellbeing using the SHANARRI Wheel and also Drop Boxes in school. We can't do this when we are all at home, however, we still want to keep in touch and be available to help and support.

We are therefore launching our WWW (Welfare, Wellbeing and Worries) Initiative. We want to hear from you or your child if you have any worries or concerns about yourself or others, or just want to chat to a Guidance Teacher. We can communicate by email or one of the Care and Wellbeing Team will phone you. We are also looking to see if we can start video chats to keep in touch.

The CWB Team will make a number of check-in phone calls each week to young people just to see how they are getting on. In the meantime, if you would like to speak with one of the CWB Team, contact can be made by phone the school line on: 01465 716816 or emailing:

- Alex.Scott6@south-ayrshire.gov.uk
- Dominic.booth@south-ayrshire.gov.uk
- Marion.Hutchison@south-ayrshire.gov.uk
- Kirsty.Dupuy@south-ayrshire.gov.uk
- Alan.Muir@south-ayrshire.gov.uk

I know this is a challenging time for parents/carers and I would like to reassure you that we know you are all doing your best to ensure learning continues. Remember, learning isn't always about worksheets, jotters or books. This is a great time to work with your child on developing life skills as well. Cooking, cleaning, budgeting etc are all valuable learning experiences! Remember, in school we help our young people to develop skills for learning, life and work.

www.girvanacademy.sayr.sch.uk

I will keep in touch with you via email or text and information will be available on our Website, Facebook and Twitter accounts. Also attached is a leaflet that our staff have produced. It contains useful websites/information that you can refer to.

Keep Safe. Keep Well. Stay Home.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Elaine Harrigan". The signature is written in a cursive style with a horizontal line underneath the name.

Elaine Harrigan
Head Teacher