

**P Wash your hands frequently!**

Remember to wash your hands frequently, especially before eating and after using the toilet, in order to prevent viruses.

B Lee

**P Learning at home**

Your teachers have provided information about where you can find resources to help you to continue with your learning at home when you are unable to come into school. This can be accessed electronically from the school website (under parental letters), Twitter, the School App or on paper from the school office. If you need any help with usernames and passwords for Glow, Google Classroom, Scholar, etc, please contact the school office or your teacher.

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**P Period Equity**

As part of our 'Period Equity' arrangements, we are keen to ensure that sanitary products are freely available around the school. All toilet areas are already stocked with sanitary products and these are replenished throughout the day. In addition, we would like to ensure that any pupil who would like to take some boxes home with them are able to do so. Packs of sanitary products are available from the school office, Pupil Support, Support for Learning, the Medical Room and toilet areas – please take what you need.

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**P Advice for New Drivers**

Information and advice for new drivers and the parents of new drivers is available at the following links:

<http://southlanarkshire.goodeggsafety.com/2016/10/26/new-drivers/>

<http://southlanarkshire.goodeggsafety.com/2016/10/26/parents-of-new-drivers/>

These resources include information about finding the right driving instructor, the theory and practical test and road safety risks and dangers. Information about buying a car, insurance and penalty points is also included.

**P Lost Property**

A large amount of lost property has been handed in to Joan and Lynn. If you have lost any jackets, PE kit, school uniform, footwear, or any other items, please see Joan or Lynn by Friday, 20<sup>th</sup> March.

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**P School update**

We are working towards the closure of Lesmahagow High School at 12.30 pm on Friday, 20<sup>th</sup> March 2020, in line with national and local authority advice. Further updates will be posted on the school website, Twitter and School App. School work will be updated regularly to allow you to continue your learning at home. Please contact the school office by phone or email if we can be of any assistance to you whilst you are working at home.

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**P SQA Exams**

The Deputy First Minister, John Swinney, has announced that the 2020 SQA examination diet will not go ahead. Young people have been asked to ensure that any units and coursework tasks are completed. We also encourage candidates to sign up to MySQA, which allows students to receive their results by text or email.

**P EMA – S5/6**

Education Maintenance Allowance will continue to be paid to students in the forthcoming weeks.

EMA application forms can be collected from the School Office or downloaded from the South Lanarkshire Council website. On the Council website, click on 'Education and Learning', then 'Secondary School Information', then 'Education Maintenance Allowance'. If you need any help with this, please see Mr Robertson or your Pupil Support Teacher.

It is your responsibility to complete and send the application form.

When you receive an award letter with your EMA number on it, bring this to Mr Robertson who will then issue a copy of the Learning Agreement to be signed by your teachers and Parent/Carer. You should then return the completed Learning Agreement to Mr Robertson and the school office will then process your EMA.

Only when you have completed all of the above will the payment process begin. Please see Mr Robertson if you have any questions about EMA.

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