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Dear Parent/Carer

### **CORONAVIRUS UPDATE (17 MARCH 2020)**

We continue to follow guidance from NHS Scotland and South Lanarkshire Council with regards to Coronavirus. In the meantime, learning and teaching continues as normal. Parents/carers are asked to follow advice from the UK/Scottish Government. As of 16 March, anyone developing symptoms consistent with COVID-19, however mild, should stay at home for 7 days from the onset of symptoms as per existing advice. In addition, it is now recommended that anyone living in the same household as a symptomatic person should self-isolate for 14 days.

We are acutely aware that this situation may bring some uncertainty for our young people and parents/carers, particularly those who are preparing for SQA exams. The health and wellbeing of our young people is paramount and we continue to provide support and reassurance to them.

At present, there is no change to the published National Qualifications examination timetable and we continue to support students in their preparations for exams in May. Please be assured that staff are working hard to ensure the best outcomes for all our young people and we will respond promptly to further advice provided by the SQA. By the end of this week, revision materials will be uploaded via online platforms e.g. GLOW, Google Classroom, Microsoft Teams and Show My Homework for all subject areas. Further details on this will be added to the school website.

Our primary method of communication to parents will continue to be via Groupcall SMS messaging, the school website, the school app and Twitter. If your contact details have changed, please email the school office via [office@strathaven.s-lanark.sch.uk](mailto:office@strathaven.s-lanark.sch.uk) with current information, including your child's name. Due to the high number of phone calls, we ask parents/carers to only call the school where necessary.

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As you will understand, we find ourselves in a fluid situation that is likely to change. Our priority in school is to maintain learning and teaching for young people who are able to attend and staff are also covering additional classes. All students have been encouraged to check they have working access to GLOW and Show My Homework. S4/5/6 students should also ensure they have login details for Scholar. Staff are currently working hard to update and add relevant resources for all year groups. We appreciate your patience as materials are uploaded.

Thank you for your ongoing support and we will continue to communicate important information and updates as appropriate.

Yours sincerely

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