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Dear Parent/Carer

UPDATE: Learning resources

Thank you for helping to make such a success of our approaches to remote learning. We are delighted and encouraged by the levels of engagement of our pupils. Our teachers and staff have been doing an amazing job upskilling themselves and ensuring creative, exciting and stimulating learning opportunities are available to keep your child engaged in their learning.

We do not wish to overwhelm you or your child, and we are here to support you to ensure that your child continues to learn and progress during this term and more importantly, as we change our virtual timetable this week. Naturally, we are concerned that a small number have not been in touch as we want to see every pupil engaged with us, although we recognise that levels of engagement will vary. Therefore, we are in the process of reaching out to those pupils and their parents/carers who have not engaged directly.

For some, access to technology is a real issue. We have been able to help a small number of pupils with no access at all, but we are aware that things are difficult for others, particularly for pupils with only mobile phone access. On our remote learning portal - <https://sites.google.com/dd.glow.scot/baldragonacademyrlp> - we have tutorials to show you how to access Glow via Xbox or Playstation games consoles. We also recently surveyed all our families, via the **Xpresssions** messaging service, in relation to households with no suitable ICT or access to the internet. We will be following up on the replies made to our survey to find ways in which we can better support.

However, if you missed this communication and are finding that access to technology is an issue, then please let us know via our school email baldragon@dundee.gov.uk by the end of this week. This will help us better understand the issue and offer additional support where we can.

UPDATE: Home learning packs, paper, pencils ...

We are currently creating new learning resource packs filled with jotters and stationery. These are available from the front reception desk at St Paul's Academy Community Support Centre. We also have paper copies of learning packs, available from the front reception desk at St Paul's Academy Community Support Centre. If you require anything more specific then please let us know in advance, via email, so that resources can be prepared specifically for your child.

Finally, please do not forget about the national advice and support that is available to you for supporting learning at home:

- National Parent Forum of Scotland:
<https://www.npfs.org.uk/2020/04/20/term-4-guidance-for-parents/>
- Parent Club Scotland:
<https://www.parentclub.scot/topics/coronavirus/learning-at-home?age=0>
- Scottish Government:
<https://www.gov.scot/news/guidance-for-home-learning/>

I wish each one of you, and your families, the best of health. Please stay safe.

H McAninch
Headteacher

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