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Dear Parent

Thank you for supporting our staff with regards to online learning. We are getting very good feedback from parents via Twitter and email and it is fantastic to see that most young people are engaged with the work we are setting. Once again, we understand that most families will not be able to complete as much work at home as they would in school. I mentioned to you in my last letter that we were working on a document to help support learning at home; trying to give young people a structure and help set out expectations, where possible. That document is now complete and as a result, we aim to put this into motion from next week for S1-3. I have attached a PDF of the document to this email communication and have asked staff to follow this as much as possible allowing for some flexibility also.

For S4-6 students – we need them to continue to complete any work that has been set by their teachers. As things currently stand, SQA have put a halt on submitting further coursework but that doesn't mean that, where possible, students should not submit what they can electronically to teachers. At this point, teachers could really benefit from any work outstanding as well as any further evidence of work that would support the next steps. You can read the latest statement from [SQA here](#).

Today, we began to receive students from those identified by City of Edinburgh Council as children of Key Workers. We will only be able to receive children that are on that list, so please be mindful of that. It is likely that we will soon receive children of Key Workers from other schools, again, those identified will be highlighted to us by City of Edinburgh Council. We are working on a rota system with our available staff to assist with this and it is likely that staff from other schools will soon also be requested to assist, where possible.

Please continue to get in touch if you have any concerns that need answered: admin@forrester.edin.sch.uk. There are also further contact details on our website, for example, Pupil Support Leader email addresses, if they are necessary. As always, I will endeavour to keep our website up to date too for those that like to access that at www.forresterhighschool.org.uk.

I have noticed that BBC Bitesize has developed in recent days with programmes on TV and lots of links to useful material for students' learning. If you feel that you have run out of work at any point, I would recommend you utilise this site at <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize>.

Please see below for some other links that I thought you might find useful at this time:

<https://young.scot>

<https://education.gov.scot/parentzone>

<https://www.children1st.org.uk/help-for-families/parentline-scotland>

The situation continues to move fast so I will update with new information as required. For now, I wish you and your family well. Stay safe and look after each other as best you can.

Kind regards

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