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Dear Parents/Carers

I hope that my message finds you all in good health and are coping well in these challenging times. While the school remains closed for the foreseeable future it continues to be used as a childcare HUB supporting the children of Key workers. I am proud of the way our Johnstown staff, alongside staff of other schools have risen to this challenge - particularly when a relatively small number of staff have made themselves available to support this provision. Feedback from parents and beyond has been very positive and the efforts of Johnstown staff in establishing the setting has also been recognised.

Welsh Government Continuity of Learning Plan

On April 1st, Minister of Education, Kirsty Williams, announced a national Continuity of Learning Plan:

' It is clear that schools will not re-open after Easter. Schools and parents will be concerned about the impact of school closures on teaching and learning, and also the emotional, physical and mental well-being of our children and young people ... My officials have been working with Local Authority Education Departments and a range of partners ... to develop a continuity of learning plan and I hope to provide details after Easter'

As a school, we will follow the guidance from Welsh Government and when we have been provided the Continuity of Learning Plan, I will share it with you. There is obviously much uncertainty regarding the weeks and months ahead however as a school we will continue to improve our support mechanism for parents and their children at home via our online learning platform.

Learning Programme After Easter

School staff provided 2 weeks of activities before the Easter break - I hope that you found these helpful as a guide and your child/ren has enjoyed completing the work. I have asked staff to provide another 2 weeks of activities to commence after the Easter break - these activities will be online from Friday 17th April. If you have any problems accessing your child/ren's HWB login, please contact the school via email **admin@johnstown.ysgolccc.cymru**.

Now that the school closure arrangements appear to be more long term, I have also asked staff to provide weekly feedback to your child's work on their HWB online account - I am sure you will agree that this will be beneficial educationally and emotionally. Please check the HWB account of your child/ren regularly to view the feedback and discuss the work.

I wish you all the very best of health and a Happy Easter.

Kind regards

Kevin McComas
Head teacher