

**Blackwood Primary and Nursery Class**  
**Term 4 Weekly Newsletter - No. 2 (27.4.20)**  
**Head Teacher: Ms C. McMillan**



**Week 2 – Term 4**

Some of our staff are volunteering in hubs and are part of a rota for this term. This is an essential service for workers in our emergency services. Our nearest hub is Woodpark Primary. Please see SLC website if this is a service you need to access.

I have chatted to some of our pupils on my daily walk – it is lovely to see you and hear about all the ways that you are spending your time.

It is our aim from **Monday 4<sup>th</sup> May** to launch, as a school, **Google Classroom** for our learners to provide weekly ideas for learning and to engage in online dialogue with peers and their class teachers. This has been approved nationally and by the trade unions.



Google Classroom

Passwords to access this resource were issued in the learning packs, and some have already been activated, so we would ask that if you have not done so can you please log on and sign up for this... any problems please contact Mrs Park at [office@blackwood-pri.s-lanark.sch.uk](mailto:office@blackwood-pri.s-lanark.sch.uk)

It is our aim to provide you with a weekly update of learning opportunities and to answer any generic questions you may have. Please use this email address [headteacher@blackwood-pri.s-lanark.sch.uk](mailto:headteacher@blackwood-pri.s-lanark.sch.uk) for this purpose.

**We are here to help ... let us know how!**

- *We have access to our Barnardo's Family workers who can offer support*
- *SLC are looking at ICT and internet access for all families – If you need internet access or any ICT equipment can you please let us know by emailing – **office@blackwood-pri.s-lanark.sch.uk***
- *Linking with Community Resilience Group (Based at Kirkmuirhill Parish Church) open daily 10am-noon, Monday – Friday T: 07943 990630 or 07943 804965*

## Within our local community

Blackwood Primary and Nursery Class are working in partnership with the Community Resilience Group based at Kirkmuirhill Parish Church.

As lock down continues, this group plan to generate community through family activities and offer support to ensure the mental and emotional wellbeing of all.

This week sees the launch of our Environment Project Kids & Rainbow Clubs.

**Rainbow Club** - registration opens today until Monday 4th at 6pm. It's for pre-school aged kids and families to build a 1 metre garden using recycled material from around the house and garden. Families can register [#bkrgrainbowclub](#) with their name & the number of kids that they want to enter. We hope to be able to secure funding for garden packs for those who have registered an interest and will know more once we have the overall number of entries.



**Kids Club** - registration opens today until Monday 4th at 6pm. This club is for all primary school aged kids. A fun project where the kids can get creative with stories, poems, drawing, photos & videos about the environment while out on their daily exercise. To help us track entries please use [#bkrgekidsclub](#) to register with your name & the number of children they'd like to enter.

More info for both projects can be found at <https://www.bkrk.org/environment-project>.

**Messages of Hope** has had good response and we hope that people will continue to write and draw. This is being co-ordinated by one of our volunteers Philip Frame.

**Weekly TikTok challenge** - entries due today so I will update tomorrow on how well our teen group are engaging. New challenge will be published on Thursday.

**Wednesday Night Thing** - this week's activity is a nature scavenger hunt to encourage families and members of the community to look for things while out on their daily exercise. A daily challenge is set and they can post their answers, photos etc to our Facebook page.

**Community Time Capsule** - 'How we remember Covid-19'. We'd like to get all people groups in the community on board to help us capture what's happening now and what we are all doing together as a community. Watch out for information update on Friday.

Our website is now live - [www.bkrk.com](http://www.bkrk.com), please visit for further information on our group, what we are doing and our outreach programme of activities & events.



## **Cost of the School Day – Money Matters Advice Service**

We offer **free, confidential and impartial advice** - we can help check your benefit entitlement, assist with the claims process, challenge decisions and represent you at Social Security appeal tribunals. For debt issues we look at your financial circumstances, contact creditors, discuss options and give budgeting advice; **Contact number: 0303 123 1008**

Our Telephone Advice Line offers a similar service specifically aimed at pregnant women and families with young children; **Contact number: 01698 453154**



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