



Barthol Chapel School

Head Teacher Message

With new restrictions in place once again that is affecting us all, 2020 has certainly been a year that has tested us. As we enter the October break, the news and media continue to talk about further restrictions being imposed if necessary and the words 'circuit breaker' being talked about. As with everything else this year, we must wait and see what will happen.

Normally at this time of year, I issue "Closure Packs" to each family in case of inclement weather forcing the school to close. This year is not any different and as we enter winter, I would like to share with you the process in place for school closure.

ABERDEENSHIRE COUNCIL GUIDANCE ON SCHOOL CLOSURES

School Information Line Tel: [0370 054 4999](tel:03700544999) then enter Barthol Chapel School PIN: [021330](tel:021330)

Aberdeenshire Council Website

<https://online.aberdeenshire.gov.uk/Apps/schools-closures/>

You also have the option to sign up to receive email alerts at

<https://online.aberdeenshire.gov.uk/myAberdeenshire/>

When will schools be closed?

Mr Anderson will decide if and when Barthol Chapel School should close due to bad weather or another emergency such as loss of power, heating, water etc. This decision can be made during any time, day or night.

School to close BEFORE THE START of the school day...

We will advise parents and carers using the above communication tools, including Groupcall. Your local radio station and social media is also a good place to find out information on school closures.

School to close DURING the school day...

If the School is to close early, we will contact you by telephone. If this is not possible, we will contact your named 'emergency contact'. No child will be released from school without contact being made. If you are concerned about local weather conditions, contact the school - you may wish to collect your child yourself and are free to do so provided you make arrangements with the school.

School Transport operators are required to provide the necessary vehicles to transport school bus pupils home at the earliest opportunity.

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Home Learning during school closure

Children will be able to learn at home during school closure. Each child will arrive home today with a card detailing their GLOW Username and Password which will give you access to Google Classroom to access learning. The children will also come home with their Athletics Username and Password. Please keep these in a safe place.

Cauliflower Cards

Please return your child's Christmas Card design to school by Wednesday 7th October.

The process for ordering is slightly different this year.

1. Your child will take home their piece of art attached to an order form. The order form will have a unique school code and unique order code for your child.
2. Visit <https://xmas.cauliflowergroup.co.uk> to place and pay for your order online.
3. Return your child's artwork and order form to school and we will post it to Cauliflower Cards for printing.

Rag Bag Recycling

The Rag Bag bin in the playground is full once again. We have received another £80 from the last pick up. Thank you to everyone who uses the Rag Bag bin. We will let you know when it has been emptied.

School Lunch Menus

The next cycle of school lunch menus can be accessed here.

<https://bartholchapel.aberdeenshire.sch.uk/wp-content/uploads/School-Menus-Autumn-Winter-2020-21.pdf>

<https://bartholchapel.aberdeenshire.sch.uk/wp-content/uploads/Vegetarian-Options-2020-21.pdf>

And finally...

Term 1 has been a very strange start of the school session! We have some very tired pupils (and staff) in school who are ready to switch off and relax for two weeks! The way the children have settled back into school and continued to learn is a credit to all the effort you put in at home. We thank you for all your support and hard work – it really does make our jobs so much easier.

Please enjoy the October break and continue to stay safe!

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