

Annan Academy



Home Learning Newsletter 3

A Message from the Rector

Dear pupils/parents/carers,

I am delighted to be back here at Annan after the last 4 months away. My sincere thanks to Susan Brown and the management team for stepping up in my absence.

We are clearly in entirely unprecedented times. We are now in the 4th week of home learning and I know that teachers are working hard to ensure that there are resources available for home study. Please encourage your child(ren) to set aside some time each day to engage with these materials.

We are also working through the challenges with this year's SQA diet. I know that the uncertainty may be causing significant levels of worry among our young people. I would like to give you my reassurance that we are working very hard to ensure that all students get the results which they deserve.

Take care and stay safe.

Jim

STAFFING UPDATE

Welcome
back to:

**Mr J.
Brown
(Rector)**

**Mrs G.
Craik
(PTPS)**

**Mrs H.
Wells (PT
ASN)**

SQA Update

SQA have now detailed how schools should produce estimate grades. The local authority has provided clear quality assurance guidelines to all schools to ensure that the estimates are fair and accurate. As such, teachers will be working together to look at evidence for each pupil. Senior leaders in school, as well as the local authority, will be reviewing the estimates before they are submitted to the SQA.

The SQA are working to ensure pupils receive their results by the 4th August. The best way to receive this information is via 'MySQA', please visit the SQA website to sign up to this alert system. You will need your Scottish Candidate Number (SCN), if you do not have this you can call Annan Academy and Mrs Heughan can provide you with this.

Home Learning - Senior Phase

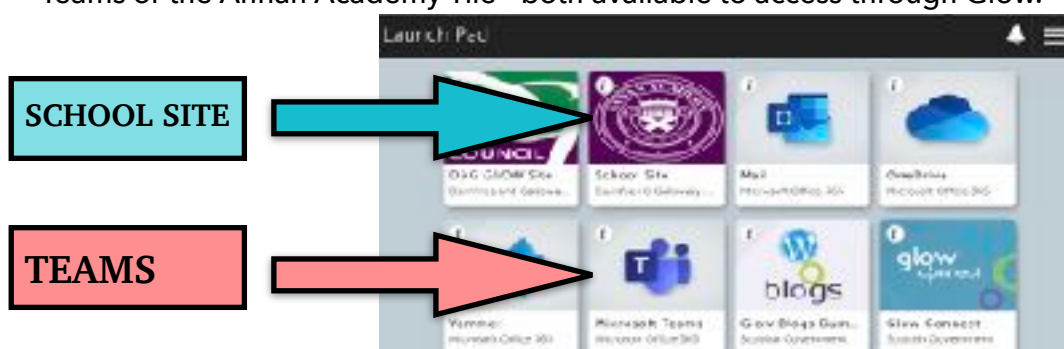
There are now materials on Glow via the Annan Academy school tile which will support pupils with an introduction to courses for the next academic session. These can be found in faculty folders, under the sub folder '**2020-21 Course Introduction**'. Although classes for next session are not finalised, pupils can access materials for courses they have opted for. Mrs Speight will be in contact with pupils over the next two weeks regarding pupil options if they do not fit or classes are not running. Please check your glow e-mail regularly. Once classes are finalised, teachers will contact pupils to give more directed learning.

Home Learning - BGE

Now in our fourth week of home-learning, S1-S3 pupils are hopefully managing to settle into a new routine, engaging with their learning remotely. Access to work set is via the Annan Academy site on Glow launch-pad and/or in TEAMS. If you are feeling a bit worried about how your home-learning is going, please email your Pupil Support teacher who will be able to help.

How do I access my home learning?

You will be able to access work from each subject through either Microsoft Teams or the Annan Academy Tile - both available to access through Glow.



We have put two short videos onto the school website and Facebook page which show you how to access each resource on your Glow Launchpad.

What if I forget my GLOW login details?

If you forget your password, we will need to speak to a parent or carer to reset it. Please contact us and leave a number we can contact you on:

gw08lemmonshirley@ea.dumgal.sch.uk

Who do I contact for help?

If you need help or can't access work and you can't get in touch with your teacher, please email the Principal Teacher:

Mr Brand - Music, Art, Drama: gw08brandjames@ea.dumgal.sch.uk

Mrs Buchanan - Social Subjects, RMPS: gw10stewartkayleigh5@ea.dumgal.sch.uk

Mrs Campbell - Science: gw08campbellcheryl@ea.dumgal.sch.uk

Mr Craw - PE, HE, Practical Cookery: gw08crawalan@ea.dumgal.sch.uk

Mr Johnston - Technical Subjects: gw11johnstonpaul3@ea.dumgal.sch.uk

Mrs Lemmon - ICT, Business, Admin: gw08lemmonshirley@ea.dumgal.sch.uk

Mrs McEwen - Maths: gw08mcewenjacqueline@ea.dumgal.sch.uk

Miss Russell - English, Modern Languages: gw08russelllynn@ea.dumgal.sch.uk

Child Protection

If you are worried about the safety and wellbeing of yourself or another young person, you can get help from the following places:

School Child Protection Coordinator: gw09brownsusan4@ea.dumgal.sch.uk

Childline: Childline.org.uk 0800 1111

Dumfries and Galloway Social Work: 030 33 33 3000

Samaritans: Samaritans.org 116 123 (free call - you do not need phone credit)