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Dear Parent/Carer

As you will be aware, the Scottish Government has introduced a new framework for tackling the Coronavirus pandemic. This involves each area of the country being placed in a different Level, ranging from 0 to 4. At each level, different steps are taken to limit the spread of Coronavirus. This includes some changes in schools.

West Lothian has now been placed in Level 4 from Friday 20th November, and as from Monday 23rd November, the following changes will apply in schools:

- · Physical Education will now only take place outdoors. While the delivery of PE continues to be a priority, if weather is extremely bad, schools will use their judgement as to whether it is safe for children to be outside.
- · Non-essential activities or clubs outside the usual school timetable will pause. This will not include regulated childcare operating. Nearly all our study support classes are already all online so this provision will not be affected. Some other study support classes occurring, generally at lunchtime, are being reviewed to ensure they meet the new risk assessment criteria and if not will pause. Any existing extra-curricular activities will also pause.
- · Children on the shielding list should not attend school. Parent/carers of children on the shielding list should contact Mr Ellis McKay, Pupil Support Manager on telephone number 280900.

All schools will review the existing measures they have in place to reduce the spread of Coronavirus, and remind all pupils of the importance of complying with these measures.

In line with Scottish Government guidance, face coverings should be worn by parents and other visitors to the school site (whether entering the building or otherwise), including parents at drop-off and pick up.

Please help us reduce the risk to all pupils and their families by encouraging your child(ren) to follow all the instructions they are given to maintain their health, safety and wellbeing.

Yours sincerely

Grant Abbot

Head Teacher









