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Dear Parent/Guardian

As you are aware school is closed this week and will reopen on Monday 11th January. As this was not officially relayed to teaching staff until New Year's Eve during a holiday period, our staff only have had preparation time today to prepare for **remote learning** access for the next four days. Ideally we would have preferred a mixture of physical home learning packs, as we are fully aware of how access to 'screen time' can be either too much for some or difficult for others, but that fault lies firmly with Peter Weir and his inability to make an informed decision in a timely manner.

It is vitally important that your child is brought back into contact with school life and routines from the beginning of this term, albeit initially via remote digital learning. To access the work planned for your child this week, please follow the steps below:

1. Go to - <https://www.stjosephspsmeigh.org>
2. Click the Home learning tab and enter password **seafin1**.
3. Select the class for your child and there you will find their weekly/daily schedule
4. Primary 7 can go directly to Google Classroom for their schedule via MySchool.

We ask that pupils are up and ready to begin their daily work for 9.30am promptly. Schedules will be ready for this time if not beforehand. Teachers will be communicating and collaborating with children via the platform appropriate for their class throughout the day. E.g. (**P1 – 3 Class Dojo**) (**P4 – 7 Google Classroom**)

Pupils (P4 – 7) / Parents (P1 – 3) are to upload the work assigned on the day it is assigned, as far as possible, for the teacher to acknowledge, mark and give feedback. Please engage and ensure your child is doing something as opposed to nothing.

Teacher e-mails for any **parental assistance** are below. They will be monitored and responded to by teachers during normal school working hours only.

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We fully appreciate your understanding during these very difficult times. Please be patient with us as we all endeavour to come to terms with the position we all find ourselves in. My personal work e-mail address is gtrainor426@c2kni.net. I will do my utmost to assist you with any advice, guidance or support I have at my disposal.

Yours sincerely

G. Trainor