

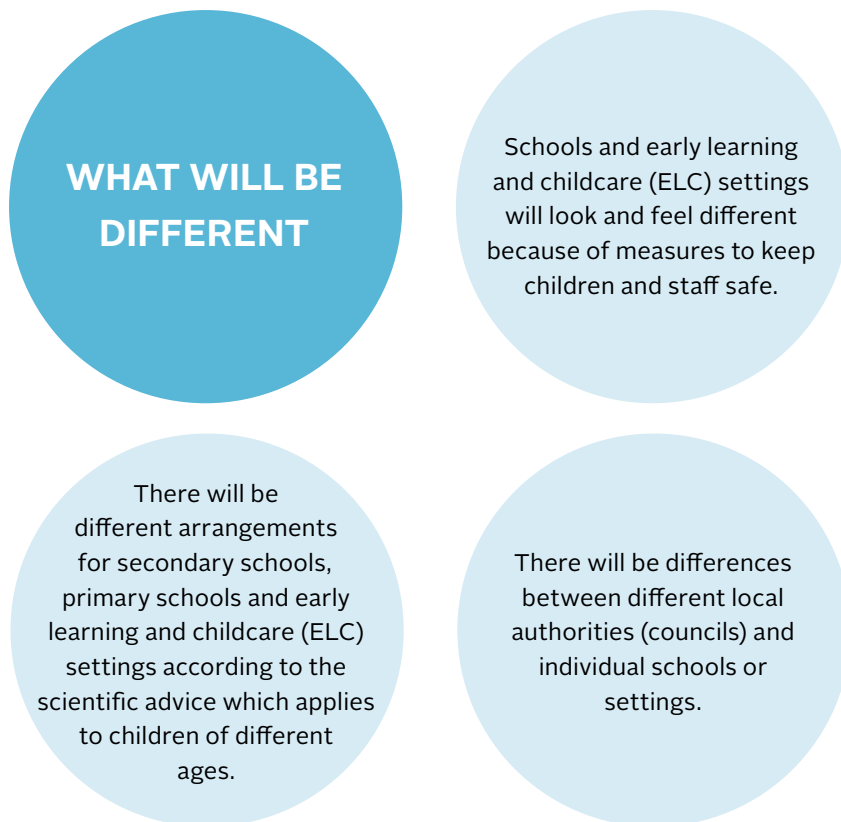
# Back to school guidance

2020/21 • A guide for parents and carers



## Children return to school full-time in August 2020.

This guide sets out answers to parents' questions so you and your children know what to expect when term starts.



**Schools, ELC settings and local councils want to make sure that you and your child have all the information you need for the start of term. You'll find contact details below for all local councils in case you need to contact yours directly.**

If there's anything you want to know about the new term or your child's return to school, please contact your school or ELC setting.

**More guidance for colleges is at:**

[www.gov.scot/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-guidance-for-colleges/](http://www.gov.scot/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-guidance-for-colleges/)

### Early learning and childcare

**Some ELC settings are already open.**

**Term-time ELC settings are likely to open in August.**

Fully outdoor childcare settings and childminders reopened from 3 June. All other registered childcare settings could reopen from 15 July, although not all reopened straight away. Term-time settings are likely to reopen in August, alongside schools. All eligible children can have at least 600 hours of funded ELC from August.

**More guidance for ELC is at:**

[www.parentclub.scot/articles/reopening-schools-faqs](http://www.parentclub.scot/articles/reopening-schools-faqs)

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# Will my child be going to school full-time from August and what about 'blended learning'?



## Returning to school full-time

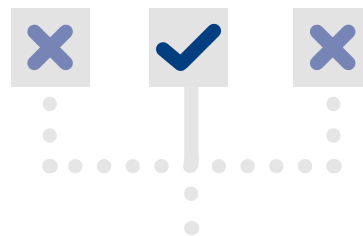
Most children will return to school full-time from August. In some areas, they will return full-time on a short phased basis. In other areas all children will return full-time from the outset.

There are no plans for children to spend part of the school week learning from home. Teachers may give homework to children as usual. This is not instead of learning in school.

The Scottish Government has advised schools and councils how to plan for, and manage, the return to school. It recommends that schools focus on pupil wellbeing, particularly at first, because of how long, and the circumstances in which, pupils have been away from school.

Scottish Government guidance on re-opening schools is at: [www.gov.scot/isbn/9781839609404](http://www.gov.scot/isbn/9781839609404)

Scottish Government guidance on re-opening ELC settings is at: [www.gov.scot/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-phase-3-guidance-on-reopening-early-learning-and-childcare-services/](http://www.gov.scot/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-phase-3-guidance-on-reopening-early-learning-and-childcare-services/)



## How and on what basis decisions are being made

The Scottish Government's decisions about returning to school and ELC settings are based on the scientific advice and what's best for children and young people.

The Scottish Government, local education authorities, teaching unions, professional organisations and the National Parent Forum of Scotland have made these decisions and developed guidance jointly.

There's been huge progress in controlling the virus in Scotland. The efforts we've all made during lockdown mean that the number of coronavirus cases is now very low. At this time, and if the number stays low, the benefits to children and their families of returning to school outweigh the risks of the virus coming back.

If you are concerned about your child attending school, or need help and support, please get in contact with your school as soon as possible.



### Reviewing the back-to-school arrangements and blended learning

Because children are returning to school full-time, 'blended learning' (a mix of learning in school and at home) is not needed.

If it is ever not safe for children to be in school full-time, all necessary measures will be taken. This could be on a national or local basis. It could mean using 'blended learning' temporarily. Scientific and health advice will continue to be followed to ensure children are kept safe. This will be in line with the Scottish Government's 'test and protect' approach to monitoring and controlling the virus. More information about 'test and protect' is at: [www.gov.scot/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-test-and-protect/](http://www.gov.scot/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-test-and-protect/)

More information about the scientific advice is at: [www.gov.scot/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-phase-3-staying-safe-and-protecting-others/](http://www.gov.scot/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-phase-3-staying-safe-and-protecting-others/)



### Children with health conditions or who are shielding

The Scottish Government expects:

- All children to return to school, as usual. Children are at much lower risk of severe illness from coronavirus than adults. They are also less likely to pass the virus to other people
- Children who are shielding to be able to return to school in August, unless their GP or healthcare provider says that they shouldn't

If this changes at all, schools will provide education remotely, in line with duties to provide education elsewhere than a school when a child is unable to attend school due to ill health

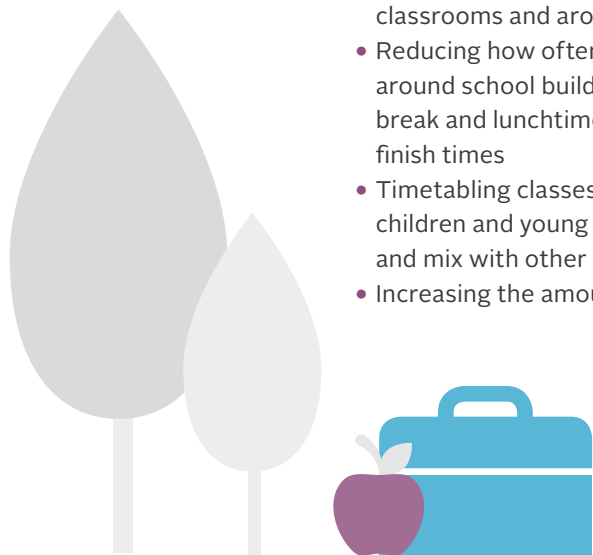
If you have any concerns about a child with health conditions or who is shielding, speak to your child's school and/or their healthcare team.

# What measures will there be to keep my child safe at school?

## School and council measures

The [Scottish Government guidance](#) gives the basis for local plans. Measures could include:

- Hygiene and cleanliness procedures such as more frequent cleaning of buildings and regular hand washing for pupils and staff
- Reducing contact between children and adults
- Ensuring that rooms and other areas are well ventilated
- Reducing the number of surfaces that children and adults have to touch while moving around school buildings
- Making best use of space within school buildings
- Introducing one-way systems between classrooms and around the school
- Reducing how often children need to move around school buildings, such as staggering break and lunchtimes and possibly start and finish times
- Timetabling classes to reduce the need for children and young people to move around and mix with other classes
- Increasing the amount of outdoor learning



## Physical distancing

Some physical distancing may be needed at times. This could include keeping children within the same small groups and avoiding assemblies. Physical distancing will be used where it is appropriate to do so, as it will help to reduce risks. The age and stage of children will be taken into account.

### ELC

- Children in ELC will not have to 'physically distance' or stay 1 or 2 metres apart from one another while in school
- Adults in ELC will not need to physically distance from children they are caring for. ELC practitioners can play with children, help them with activities (including hand washing) or give them a cuddle if they need one

### Primary schools

- Children in primary schools will not have to 'physically distance' or stay 1 or 2 metres apart from one another while in school
- Wherever possible, there will be a physical distance of 2 metres between adults and children. This is because adults are at greater risk than children from the virus
- This 2-metre requirement may not apply to younger primary school children (P1 and P2) or children with additional support needs who may need personal or intimate care. There will still be measures to keep them and their carers at home and school safe

### Secondary schools

Because the evidence on physical distancing is less clear for older children (aged 12 and above) your child's school will encourage distancing, where possible, between them and other young people and between all young people and adults.



## PPE and face coverings in schools

Adults and pupils in secondary school should wear a face covering:

- when moving about the school in corridors
- in communal areas e.g. common rooms
- and in toilets

In most circumstances, face coverings or other PPE will not be needed in classrooms. But, anyone in your child's school (child or adult) who wishes to wear a face covering is allowed to do so.

If your child is exempt from wearing a face covering, they do not need to wear one. If you need support or guidance, speak to your child's school.

Children or adults who need to wear face coverings or other PPE for clinical reasons will be supported to do so. This may include wearing a face mask, a face covering and/or a visor.

There may be other situations where face coverings should be used in secondary schools; for example if there is a local outbreak then staff and pupils may be asked to wear them in class. Your child's school will let you know about these and any other changes.

## Going into school or ELC buildings – parents and families

Your child's school may ask you and other family members not to enter school or ELC buildings. This is to reduce the risk of spreading the virus.

The school may contact you to tell you about arrangements for reducing the number of adults, including parents, in and around the school building. These could include:

- New arrangements for dropping children off at school or nursery
- Changes to parents evenings or Parent Council meetings
- Restrictions on school and community facilities

Parents are vital to the school community. These measures are to keep everyone safe, although they may seem unwelcoming. We hope it won't be for long.

If you have questions about what will happen at your child's school or ELC settings, contact the school to discuss these. You can also find the contact details of your local council below.

## Monitoring the virus and preventing outbreaks

Schools, ELC settings and councils will keep a close eye on things. They'll take immediate action if anyone connected to the school/ELC community develops symptoms of the virus to prevent any outbreaks from spreading.

If there is an outbreak at your child's school or ELC setting, they will contact you as soon as possible.

Schools and nurseries are 'complex settings' under the Health Protection Scotland 'test and protect' approach. This means that schools will be a priority for identifying, testing and supporting the self-isolation of any children or staff suspected of having the virus.

You should also look out for symptoms in your own family. You can find information to help you here: [www.parentclub.scot/articles/does-my-child-need-a-covid-19-test](http://www.parentclub.scot/articles/does-my-child-need-a-covid-19-test)

The most common symptoms are:

- New continuous cough
- Fever/high temperature (37.8C or above)
- Loss of, or change in, sense of smell or taste

If you think that you, your children or a member of your family may have coronavirus you should follow the latest NHS guidance at: [www.nhsinform.scot/illnesses-and-conditions/infections-and-poisoning/coronavirus-covid-19](http://www.nhsinform.scot/illnesses-and-conditions/infections-and-poisoning/coronavirus-covid-19)



# How will the school support my child's health, wellbeing and emotional needs?

## Returning to school and dealing with the impact of coronavirus

Many children and their parents are anxious about going back to school. This is natural. If you or your child feel anxious for extended periods, and you or they are finding it difficult to cope, there is help on offer.

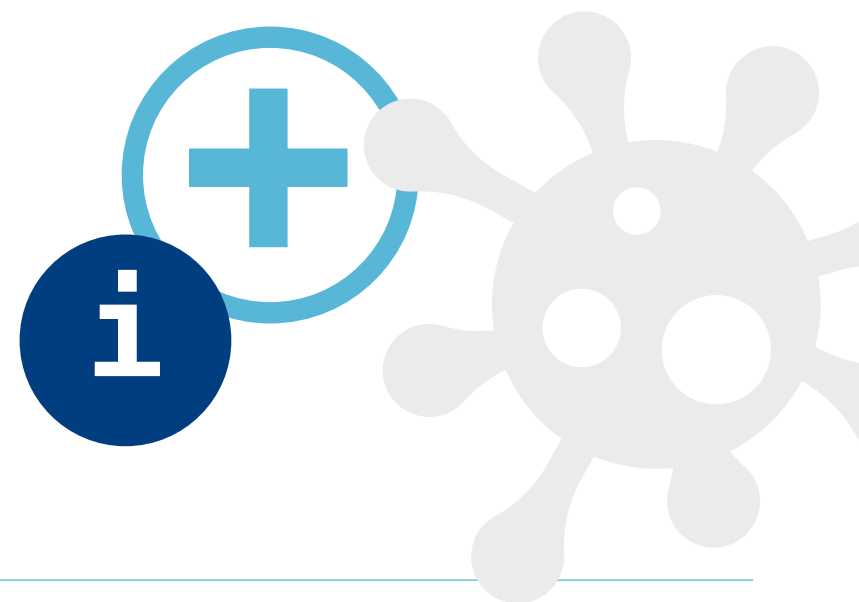
For more information on supporting your and your child's health and wellbeing, and dealing with stress and anxiety, see the links at the end of this guide.

Some children may need extra support because they are having to deal with significant issues as a result of the pandemic, including bereavement or a parent losing their job.

**If you think that your child or family may need extra support, or if you are worried about your child's health and wellbeing, contact your child's school as soon as you can to discuss what might help.**

## Children with additional support needs

Your child's school should be in contact with you to discuss your child's needs and about meeting these. Contact your local council at the number below to find out what's happening in your area. More information about entitlements for children with additional support needs at: <https://enquire.org.uk/coronavirus/>





# Will my child's learning be affected by the changes?

## Learning and the curriculum

There are no plans for schools to teach a reduced curriculum or to provide fewer subject choices or learning opportunities than they used to.

At first, schools will focus on children's health and wellbeing. This has been a difficult time, particularly for children. Teachers will help young people feel more settled as this will help them learn. It might mean that your child's school will reintroduce formal schoolwork in stages. Your child's school will decide what's best for its pupils and adjust its approach as needed.

More about the curriculum at:  
[www.gov.scot/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-curriculum-for-excellence-in-the-recovery-phase/](http://www.gov.scot/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-curriculum-for-excellence-in-the-recovery-phase/)

## Early learning and childcare

Children in ELC will have much the same experience as they did before lockdown. There might be some changes. For example, soft toys or furnishings may be replaced by items that are easier to clean. There might be a greater focus on hand washing. Children might spend more time outdoors. Your child might be allocated a group, to help to limit the number of contacts they have.

## Primary school pupils

Most primary pupils will learn, as far as possible, in the same way as they did before lockdown. The main differences for younger children will be in the surroundings and extra hand washing and hygiene. There may be more lessons outside and different ways of using the building space. Teachers will make sure that your children are supported as much as possible for their return to school and settling into the new term.

## S1 to 3 pupils

Most pupils in S1 to S3 will continue to study the same subjects and course content as they would have done before lockdown. There may be some additional measures for some subjects. For example, for practical activities where pupils share equipment, teachers are planning lessons to allow this safely. School timetables are being planned so that children move around buildings and classrooms less during the school day.

## S4 to S6 senior phase pupils and subject choice

Most senior phase pupils have already chosen their subjects. These should not be limited because of virus restrictions, although there may be some extra safety measures for practical subjects. If you (or your child) have any concerns about what's to happen with a particular subject or your child's progress, contact your school to discuss.

Schools and teachers are doing all they can to make sure that children have the chance to learn and succeed in the subjects they want to do.

The Scottish Qualifications Authority (SQA) plans a full timetable of SQA exams and coursework for 2021. The SQA will continue to see what's needed to help make the most of learning and teaching time over the school year. Plans will also take account of any changes to public health advice which could affect exam timetables and arrangements. There will be further guidelines from the SQA before the start of term. The most up-to-date advice and guidance from the SQA is at:  
[www.sqa.org.uk/sqa/70972.html](http://www.sqa.org.uk/sqa/70972.html)

### Practical activities, sport and music

Practical, 'hands-on' learning and activities, experiments and investigations are an important part of many subjects. Your child's teachers will adapt how they teach lessons to allow children and young people to do such activities safely.

Sport and physical activities are important for children's physical and mental health now and in the future. Your child's school is planning how it can best use outside space to allow children to do sport and physical activities in line with [national guidance](#), (indoor sports facilities can't be used for now).

Scientific and medical advice is still being developed for safely returning to activities such as singing, talking loudly (for example in drama), or playing wind/brass instruments. So, your child may not be able to do these activities at the start of term. The school may offer other options.

### Reporting on children's progress

Your child's school will keep you up to date with your child's progress through report cards, phoning you or notes in homework tasks and jotters.

Parents evenings may be done differently during the next school term. Your child's school will let you know about arrangements for these.

ELC settings may not be able to speak with parents face-to-face as usual, but will use other ways to keep you up to date such as by phone and online journals.



# Will I be able to get after school care and childcare for my children?

## After school care, clubs and childcare before or after school

If your child attends any after school clubs or wraparound childcare, these services should contact you to let you know about any new arrangements and safety measures.

Scottish Government guidance on re-opening school-age childcare services is at: [www.gov.scot/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-guidance-on-reopening-school-age-childcare-services/](http://www.gov.scot/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-guidance-on-reopening-school-age-childcare-services/)

There's more detail to come on other out of school activities such as sports clubs, bands and choirs. If you want to find out more about the clubs or activities that your child attends, contact your local council at the number below.

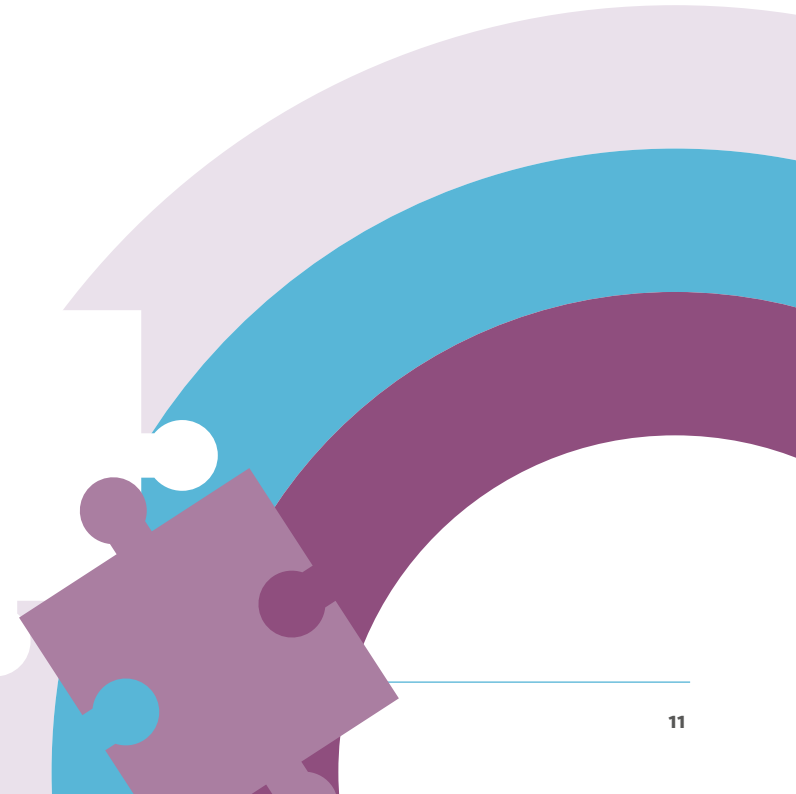
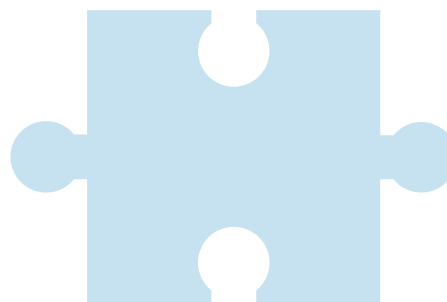
## Childminding services

Childminders who wish to continue providing childminding services can do so.

- Childminders must follow public health advice
- They will assess for risks before they re-start their services
- Children do not have to stay physically distant from each other or from the childminder when attending childminding services.
- Childminders can pick up children from school
- Parents or carers will have limited access to the childminding setting. This may mean that the childminder makes different arrangements with you for picking up or dropping off your child

## Scottish Government guidance to childminders is at:

[www.gov.scot/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-childminder-services-guidance/](http://www.gov.scot/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-childminder-services-guidance/)



# How will my child get to and from school safely?

Your local council and child's school will advise you and your child about getting to and from school in a way which minimises the risks from coronavirus. If safe, your child's school will encourage you and your children to walk to school, or to go by bike or scooter.

## Schools and councils are:



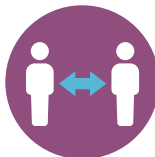
Encouraging staff, parents/carers and children and young people to plan their school journeys, and to minimise pressure on public transport and roads by walking or cycling to school if possible



Encouraging staff and children and young people to wash or sanitise hands before and after travelling



Understanding that staff, parents/carers and children may not always get to school in time due to transport issues



Encouraging children and young people and parents/carers to follow physical distancing when travelling to and from school except on school transport



Finding ways to minimise the number of staff and children and young people travelling at peak times, for example by staggering start and finish times



Making sure that parents and children and young people understand the rules about wearing face coverings on transport, and taxi or private hire services

### Children travelling on school buses

Adults and any children aged 5 and over should wear a face covering if travelling by school transport.

If your child is exempt from wearing a face covering, they do not need to wear one. If you need support or guidance, speak to your child's school.

Local councils and your child's school will make sure school transport is safe for your child by introducing cleaning and hygiene measures such as hand sanitising for all those on board. They are also looking at possibilities for increasing school transport.

### Children travelling by public transport

School-aged children using public transport should follow the same guidance on public transport as everyone else on public transport. This means wearing a face covering and staying physically distant from anyone else on board.

Councils will work with transport providers to increase the number of seats on public transport for children travelling to school. They may introduce measures such as dedicated seating/carriages so that children can be grouped together.

**If you are concerned about your child's journey to and from school, you can contact your local council at the number below.**

More information is in the return to school guidance at: [www.transport.gov.scot/coronavirus-covid-19/transport-transition-plan/](http://www.transport.gov.scot/coronavirus-covid-19/transport-transition-plan/)



## What if there's another national or local lockdown?

Schools, ELC settings and councils are planning so that, if there is another outbreak (local or national), there will be arrangements, at short notice, to keep children safe and to ensure that they can continue with their learning.

**If there's a local outbreak affecting your child's school, the school, local authorities and local health protection teams will decide what action to take. This may include temporarily closing your child's school to help control the spread of the virus. Schools will then use blended or home learning. Schools and councils are:**



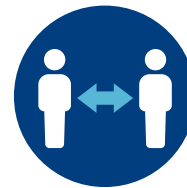
Preparing online resources such as digital classrooms



Arranging for some settings to stay open for vulnerable children and children of key workers if schools have to change how they do things for a while



Ensuring that IT equipment is available for children and families who may need it



Preparing for new physical distancing measures if needed

### KEEPING YOU UP TO DATE

**Your child's school or ELC setting will keep you up to date with any changes to its arrangements.**

It will support you and your child if learning has to be adapted to keep your child and your family safe.

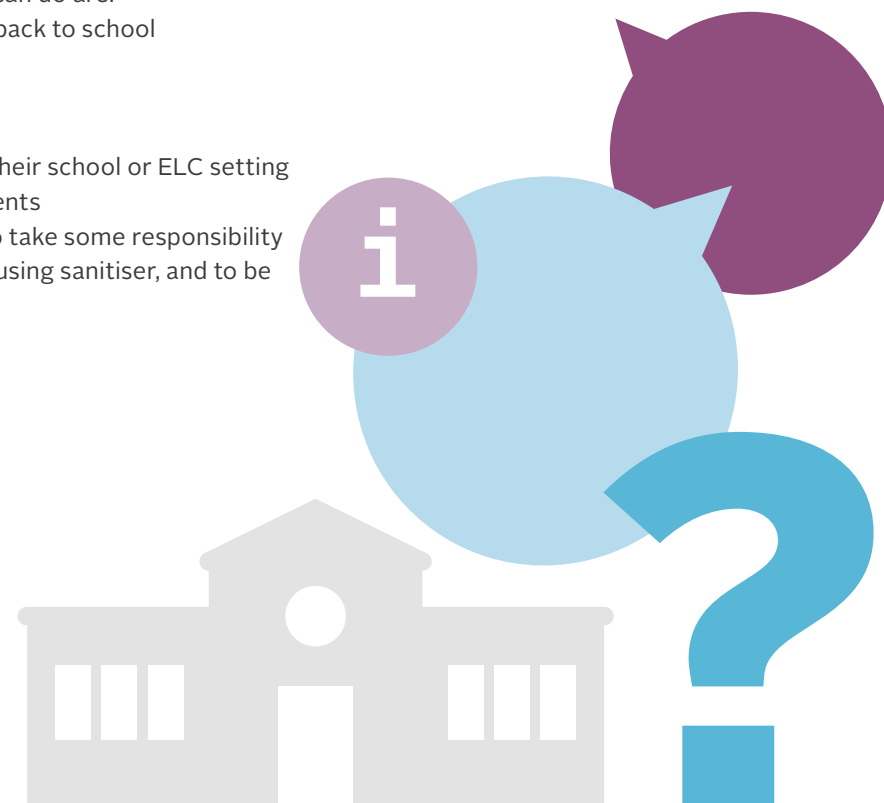
## What can parents and carers do to help?

This has been a difficult time for parents, teachers and pupils. Parents and carers have juggled work and caring responsibilities, and supported their children's learning, wellbeing and safety. This next period will be difficult too. The safety arrangements mean changes to how schools and ELC settings work. Everyone will need time to get used to them.

**You have the right to contact your school, ELC setting and local council if you have or want to discuss any issues about your child's education.**

Parents and carers are keen to know what they can do to support their child's education and school. The main things you can do are:

- Ask your child how they are feeling about going back to school
- Give them as much information as possible
- Encourage them to talk about their worries
- Highlight anything to the school in good time
- Explain to your child what might be different at their school or ELC setting
- Explain and stress hygiene and safety arrangements
- Encourage your child (depending on their age) to take some responsibility for personal hygiene, such as hand washing and using sanitiser, and to be aware of their surroundings
- Reassure your child that these are to keep them, their teachers and their friends safe



## More information and links

### GENERAL INFORMATION

#### **gov.scot**

Latest advice for parents and families on a range of important topics relating to coronavirus.

[www.gov.scot/coronavirus-covid-19/](http://www.gov.scot/coronavirus-covid-19/)

### HEALTH

#### **NHS Inform**

The latest guidance and advice about coronavirus from NHS Scotland and the Scottish Government.

[www.nhsinform.scot/illnesses-and-conditions/infections-and-poisoning/coronavirus-covid-19](http://www.nhsinform.scot/illnesses-and-conditions/infections-and-poisoning/coronavirus-covid-19)

#### **Scottish Association for Mental Health (SAMH)**

For advice on mental health and well being.

[www.samh.org.uk](http://www.samh.org.uk)

### INFORMATION AND SUPPORT FOR PARENTS AND FAMILIES

#### **Parent Club Scotland**

The Scottish Government's advice and support service for parents and families.

[www.parentclub.scot/](http://www.parentclub.scot/)

#### **Parentline Scotland**

Open 7 days a week to offer free advice and support to parents.

 08000 28 22 33

Monday to Friday 9am–9pm, Saturday to Sunday 9am–12 noon

#### **National Parent Forum of Scotland (NPFS)**

Parent dedicated information in its 'In a nutshell' series.

[www.npfs.org.uk](http://www.npfs.org.uk)

#### **Parenting across Scotland**

General parenting advice and support.

[www.parentingacrossscotland.org/](http://www.parentingacrossscotland.org/)

#### **Connect**

Advice tailored to Parent Councils and support for parents groups and representatives.

<https://connect.scot>

#### **Young Scot**

Advice and support for young people and their families.

<https://young.scot/>



## More information and links

### EDUCATION

#### **SQA**

The official website of the Scottish Qualifications Authority contains the latest advice and guidance on qualifications, assessment and awards for learners, parents and families.

[www.sqa.org.uk/sqa/70972.html](http://www.sqa.org.uk/sqa/70972.html)

#### **Parentzone Scotland**

Education Scotland website with resources for all ages and general advice on learning at home, health and wellbeing and general parenting and family support.

<https://education.gov.scot/parentzone/learning-at-home/>

#### **Scotland Learns**

Activities to help parents, carers and practitioners support learning at home.

<https://education.gov.scot/improvement/scotland-learns/>

### ADDITIONAL SUPPORT FOR LEARNING

#### **Enquire**

Information and advice and resources for parents and families of children with additional support needs.

<https://enquire.org.uk/>

#### **Pupil Inclusion Network Scotland**

Provides advice to parents and carers of vulnerable or excluded children.

<https://pupilinclusion.scot/covid-19/>

#### **CALL Scotland**

Provides information and resources to help children and young people to overcome barriers to learning.

[www.callscotland.org.uk/home/](http://www.callscotland.org.uk/home/)

#### **REACH**

Provides information, support and advice about the changes to education due to coronavirus for young people with additional support needs.

<https://reach.scot/get-help/coronavirus/>

# Council contact details

## ABERDEEN CITY COUNCIL

[www.aberdeencity.gov.uk/services/education-and-childcare](http://www.aberdeencity.gov.uk/services/education-and-childcare)

[Contact form](#)

☎ 03000 200 293

Aberdeen City Council  
Education and Childcare  
Ground Floor, Marischal College, Broad Street  
Aberdeen AB10 1AB

## ABERDEENSHIRE COUNCIL

[www.aberdeenshire.gov.uk/schools/](http://www.aberdeenshire.gov.uk/schools/)

[Contact form](#)

☎ 01224 472840

Aberdeenshire Council  
Education and Children's Services  
Woodhill House, Westburn Road  
Aberdeen AB16 5GB

## ANGUS COUNCIL

[www.angus.gov.uk/schools\\_and\\_young\\_people](http://www.angus.gov.uk/schools_and_young_people)

[Contact form](#)

☎ 03452 777 778

Angus Council  
Children and Learning Directorate  
Angus House, Orchard bank Business Park, Orchardbank  
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## ARGYLL AND BUTE COUNCIL

[www.argyll-bute.gov.uk/education-and-learning](http://www.argyll-bute.gov.uk/education-and-learning)

@ enquiries@argyll-bute.gov.uk

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Argyll and Bute Council  
Colgrain Area Education Office  
Redgauntlet Road  
Helensburgh G84 7TZ

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