Dear Parents and Carers,

A Happy New Year from all at Hawthornden and we hope that you managed to have a good Christmas.

We opened today for the children of key workers and are providing child care for them until Friday and then education from Monday. We start on-line learning through the google classrooms from Monday 11th. This will mean that some school staff will be working from school and some from home.

Work will be uploaded to the google classrooms by 4pm on a Friday for the following week. This will give you time to look over it and plan when you want to complete it with your child(ren), fitting it in with your schedule. Please get in touch with your child’s teacher if you have any issues with logging on/passwords.

We appreciate what a stressful time this is for many of our families and we do not want to add to that burden. However, it is vital for our children that you support them to engage with their learning during this time. Please get in touch if you need support to do this. You may have a good supply of jotters etc left at home from the last lockdown but if you don’t then you are welcome to come to the main school entrance at any time between 9.15am and 2.45pm next week to pick up some supplies.

It is even more important during this period that we are able to be in touch with you quickly. If you haven’t provided us with your email address could you email it to the admin email address below:

[Hawthornden.PS@midlothian.gov.uk](mailto:Hawthornden.PS@midlothian.gov.uk)

We will continue to use our app, website and Facebook to correspond with you over this time. We enjoy the benefits of being able to have 2 way communication via Facebook, but please send any queries questions to our school email address or to either myself or one of the Depute Head Teachers using the email addresses below:

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We hope to see all of our children and staff back in school as soon as it is safe to do so. In the meantime, **stay in touch, stay safe & stay positive.**

Best Wishes

Mrs Mellon, Miss Johnson and Mrs Birrell