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Dear Families,

Today's COVID-19 update looks at Home Learning for children who are at home. Glenelg Primary School continues to follow the Government's decision to have schools remain open, of course.

continued learning / Home Learning

The Department for Education have said that they will be releasing some Home Learning information to the public tomorrow (Wednesday 25th March). I understand that the Department, in conjunction with leaders and teachers across the state, will continue to develop resources for learning at home.

Glenelg teachers are still being asked to follow the guidelines that were sent to families last week:-

Some families are choosing to keep their children at home due to risks associated with the Coronavirus. This is an individual family decision which the school respects. Please note however that at this point in time requests that the school or individual teachers provide packs of work can unfortunately not be accommodated. Teachers are under enormous pressure at the moment to not only continue to plan and assess for their current classes but to also constantly adapt programs to the rapid set of changes.

In addition to the above, Glenelg Primary School staff are currently examining the Department for Education information regarding continued learning / Home Learning. We are investigating what learning opportunities – additional to the resources that the Department will soon announce – we can provide to you. This process hasn't yet been completed, and we also continue to wait for internal Department communications regarding timelines for sending additional continued learning home.

Some parents may feel that some teachers were sending home activities or tasks for children to complete at home. Some families would still be receiving 'ordinary classroom information' or 'here's what children in Room X have been doing this week' digital posts. This may be giving an unintended message of 'children staying at home should do xyz'. At our staff meeting tonight we reconfirmed the importance of giving all families the same message.

Like the Department for Education system as a whole, we are moving as quickly as we can to continue work on continued learning / Home Learning, and we look forward to being able to share more information with everyone soon.

Kind regards,
Anthony Fischer
Principal