

## CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19) DAILY INFORMATION UPDATE



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30 March 2020

#### Ground floor corridor 40 John Street – out of access

Please note that starting from today, Monday 30 March - the ground floor corridor at the front of 40 John Street is not accessible to staff.

This ground floor area from the East Building cafe along to G12 (between entrances 30 to 50 John Street) is being used as a distribution point for laptops - until Friday 24 April. In order to maintain social distancing you should not access this area.

Any staff working in Chambers East Building should use the staff entrance at 8 Cochrane Street to enter and exit the building. In the event of an evacuation this will not apply and staff should use the nearest fire exit.

#### Meet our teams – Laboratory staff in Neighbourhoods and Sustainability take on a surprise role!



The laboratory team in Neighbourhoods and Sustainability out in Colton, knew that they would have a key role to play in supporting food, water and emergency services once the extent of the Covid-19 pandemic became apparent. However, what was a bit of surprise was the role they would play in supporting other colleagues across the council family – by starting to manufacture hand sanitiser in our own council laboratories!

When it became apparent that there was going to be a national shortage in sanitising and cleaning products the ingenuity of the laboratory staff came to the fore. By using information available from the World Health Organisation (WHO) they set up a production line manufacturing a variety of hand sanitisers and general Covid-19 cleaning products from the raw materials they had within the laboratory. They are also supporting other external hand sanitiser manufacturers to make sure their products meet the requirements detailed by WHO and are looking at testing such products to make sure they are effective and have some sanitising effect. The team will continue their production line for as long as the raw materials can be sourced to keep our

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essential council family users supplied that require it as part of their activity outlined in their risk assessments for infection control.

The work can be repetitive but the team's motto is "anything we can do to help". It is times like this that we see the selflessness of our staff. **#Keep up the great work**

### Inspiring pupils to engage



Photography by  
Andrew Ogilvie,  
Teacher at  
Bannerman High

Andrew Ogilvie, a teacher from Bannerman High is creatively using Twitter to connect with his pupils and engage them in their natural environment whilst they are all currently isolating **#safeathome**.

Andrew recorded birdsong from the school car park at the start of last week and posted onto the school site to suggest that his pupils take time out to listen to their current surroundings – something that cannot often be done in a busy city with the normal hustle and bustle. He was humbled and delighted that within an hour of making his post live he received his first recording back from an S1 pupil of bird song from her garden. He has so far received several more from across his S1 and S5 pupils. Andrew said: "I wanted to bring my pupils into contact with their environments and focus their minds on nice things that they don't always get the opportunity to notice in a noisy city. It's wonderful that so many of them have taken time to engage with the natural world and get back in touch and connect. I hope they will always stop and take time to notice the birds singing for the rest of their lives – it's a really calming pleasurable sound."

### Best practice information posters on handwashing and removing safety clothing

We have uploaded **four information posters** to our staff website [here](#).

- [HSE guide – how to remove single use gloves to avoid contamination](#)
- [NHS step by step guide to handwashing](#)
- [NHS guide to using hand rub/sanitizer](#)
- [NHS guide on how to put on and take off various types of PPE.](#)

These best practice posters supplied by the NHS and the Health and Safety Executive and can be printed for displaying locally at your work place. You may also benefit from using the handwashing poster at home if you have access to a local printer.

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**We want to hear from you – tell us your stories**

We want to hear about the jobs you're doing at this challenging time to support the city, or tell us about a colleague you're particularly proud of. We'll then share these stories with your colleagues across the council.

We know you're all proud to play your part for the city - send us your stories and pictures to [Insider@glasgow.gov.uk](mailto:Insider@glasgow.gov.uk)

**Call for staff volunteers**

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Help to keep **our city** running during this challenging time

SIGN UP TO **VOLUNTEER NOW**



**Keep up the great work – what we're hearing on twitter**



**Daz @dazbhoy1967**  
7 mins ago

@GlasgowCC well done on keeping the streets clean and the bins empty during these rough times 🙌🙌🙌🙌🙌



**DingDong61 @DongDing61**  
2 mins ago

@RoyalMail Thanks to all the posties out there still delivering the mail. All the delivery drivers too supplying our supermarkets @GlasgowCC for the cleansing workers collecting our refuse and all the other unsung heroes who are contributing during this pandemic. Thank you all 🙌

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