

CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19) DAILY INFORMATION UPDATE



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7 April

Public Holidays – Easter Weekend

As we approach the Easter Weekend, it is important to highlight that our Public Holidays, scheduled for Friday 10 April 2020 and Monday 13 April 2020 will be operated in line with our employees contractual arrangements.

Essential workers - for those staff delivering an essential service – which will continue to be delivered 7 days a week – many of you may normally work a public holiday. You will be aware of your working arrangements over the forthcoming Easter Weekend as part of your Service business as usual operational activity.

Adapting to change story – David interviewed on Radio Scotland.



David Murray - Educational Psychologist, Glasgow Psychological Services at Education Services took part in a Radio Scotland interview on Tuesday 31 March. David spoke about a charitable support programme he is involved with called 'Seasons for Growth' and how Glasgow supports its parents, carers and children. The focus of David's interview was to help people understand the impact and process of adapting to loss and change; something that could help us all in these challenging times.

David and fellow Educational Psychologist Vicky Greenwood, provide Seasons for Growth 'Companion' training to our teaching and support staff across the city. There is now a network of 'Companions' who run support groups for young people experiencing significant loss and change. **David** said: "I wanted to reach out to the network of trainers, the Companions in Glasgow and our pupils who have accessed the programme. I told a story to listeners, using the seasonal metaphor, which I think can help everyone to adapt to the changes we are experiencing just now."

David added: "I hope the children and young people who have had access to the programme can highlight some of what they have learnt in all the virtual classrooms that our teachers are running. It can also support parents and carers."

"We're currently all experiencing significant changes and losses and we're also experiencing some of the very powerful and sometimes overwhelming feelings associated with loss or grief. The seasonal metaphor that I spoke about, can I think, help many people to better understand their feelings and emotions at this difficult time and I'd like to share it with all our staff."

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Listen to David's edited Radio recording on the Educational Psychological Services' Twitter account @GlasgowEPS Find out more about 'Seasons for Growth' at <http://www.seasonsforgrowth.org.uk/>

Our volunteer heroes in action – City Parking dream team!



A team of City Parking staff have volunteered to help prepare and deliver vehicle cleaning spray solutions - to all operational depots within Neighbourhoods and Sustainability and previous Cordia locations. This is being coordinated from City Parking's Charing Cross Car Park offices. The team is utilising five of its vans for transportation.

#Thank you City Parking Dream Team for rising to the challenge

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

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To-date over 600 staff have joined our corporate staff volunteering programme – a big shout out to everyone who has registered so far.

Together with your help we will continue to deliver essential services across the city at this unusual time. Click the above banner to find out more about how to get involved and sign up to become a volunteer.

#Together we will make a difference

Teaching staff get the thumbs up from Fiona - shout out to Broomhill Primary



Staff and parents of school-age children, are telling us what a fantastic job teachers are doing to continue to support pupils.

Fiona May Simpson is a Senior Solicitor in Corporate Services, and a mum of three small children has contacted us to give a shout out to the staff at Broomhill Primary School.

Fiona May said: "I'm fortunate to be able to work from home. My team is keeping in regular contact with conference calls and emails so I feel supported in this difficult time."

"I'm also like to give a shout out to all the staff at Broomhill Primary School for all the wonderful work they are doing to support children learning at home. Daily updates and workplans have made learning at home lots of fun."

"Teachers keeping on teaching with limited resources and contact with their classes but still managing to keep kids progressing is no small feat! Primary schools throughout the city have been heroic in their efforts to maintain a sense of normality in children's lives. Not to mention their ongoing support for the children of our key workers."

#Well done to all our teaching staff for their dedication and commitment.

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Share your story with us



At this challenging time – we would love to hear about what you are doing to help support the city.

- Have you volunteered in another section to help deliver an essential task?
- Are you particularly proud of your team or a colleague and the work they are doing to keep services running to our citizens?
- Have you seen a colleague go above and beyond to help deliver a service?

We would love to share your stories with your colleagues across the council – so please get in touch.

Email a couple of lines and a mobile phone picture (if you have one) to Insider@glasgow.gov.uk

We know you're all proud to play your part for the city - thank you for making a difference.

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



Tom Dickson @TomDickson16

13 mins ago

....including many unseen @GlasgowCC employees working from home to keep the wheels turning. 🙌🙌🙌

Susan Aitken @SusaninLangside

My heartfelt thanks goes to @GlasgowCC staff who are still performing vital roles to deliver services for vulnerable citizens & the whole city.

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