

EDUCATION RECOVERY - UPDATE

The Education Executive considered a report (copies of which had been circulated) by the Depute Chief Executive (Education, Planning, Economic Development and Regeneration Services) inviting members to note the implications of the revised Scottish Government national guidance issued on 30 October 2020; the plans for National Assessments in 2020; progress in education recovery; steps being taken to reduce digital exclusion; and contingency planning.

There was further discussion on the remote teaching of practical subjects, standardisation of blended learning, teacher absences and resourcing, and ventilation and heating in schools. Members were assured that the council aimed to meet every child's needs.

It was recommended that the Education Executive:

1. Note the implications of the revised Scottish Government Guidance issued on 30 October 2020; the plans for National Assessments in 2020; progress in education recovery; steps being taken to reduce digital exclusion; and contingency planning; and
2. Note that local guidance to schools to reflect changes to national guidance, and to support education recovery and contingency planning will be developed and updated under the delegated authority of the Depute Chief Executive, and that previous plans for blended learning remain as a contingency.

Decision

To note the terms of the report.