



# Interactive Learning & Teaching

## Gairloch High School

**We'd like to share with you some of the methods of interactive learning & teaching that staff are using to help our pupils whilst they are learning from home.**

As this is new to many of us, you might also see or hear terminology that is new to you. Each teacher will use their own combination of these methods and we will be working hard over the next few weeks to increase the variety in order to suit each pupil's individual needs and the subject/level being taught.

### Live Teaching

Using Google Meet, we are using live video calls to connect with pupils and teach content, give feedback and work with small groups.

These are organised through Google Classroom and where possible are arranged to avoid Clashes, including with virtual or college courses.



Google Meet

Our Pupil Support department have also been using live teaching to support individual pupils with their learning.

To keep both pupils and staff safe, the Highland Council has set some simple safeguarding guidelines for live teaching sessions.

These include:

- Taking the call in a public room (e.g. kitchen, lounge, study) rather than a bedroom
- Being dressed for the day (e.g. no pyjamas!)
- Pupils can choose to have their webcam off
- Pupils can mute their microphone if they are worried about background noise - it's easy to unmute when you want to contribute or ask a question

### Recorded Teaching

We are pre-recording teaching videos which pupils can then use during the course of their weekly work. Sometimes these offer further explanations, instructions or practical demonstrations to help pupils progress. These can be re-watched and accessed at any time.

### Break-Out Groups

During a live teaching session, we might arrange group discussion or work - this is a break-out group. This might involve switching to another call to work with a partner, group or pupil support assistant. It's great for having small group work and discussion via video call, before feeding back to a wider class.



Google Classroom

### Written Materials

We are all now using online, written materials posted through Classroom. These often have accompanying or embedded tasks and use video, text, images and other activities to help our pupils make progress in their learning.