



# *St Bernadette's Catholic Primary School*

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Dear Parents/Carers,

## Daily Update

Good afternoon everyone. We have had another busy day at St Bernadette's. Today, we have collected many lunch parcels from Blackpool Catering ready for collection in school. We have supported many parents by email and phone with concerns and queries. Please can I ask you **to only ring (preferably email)**, for your child's **Purple Mash login** details (most are in their diary) and not to ring the office for technical support for the **Purple Mash**, as we are unable to answer the volume of queries due to skeleton staff in school. I have asked our IT technician to put a support page on the website for helpful hints if you are struggling technically. Due to the popularity of this website, across the country, there may be times that it becomes slow to access. Please remember that this is only one of many learning platforms that we have suggested to you so please chose another option. If you continue to have technical problems after a few days, then please email the office and we will try to help.

## **For those children still in school**

- If your child has been attending school, please complete the Easter care request form so we can arrange adequate staffing
- Our intention has been to offer breakfast and afterschool facilities for parents if there is a need. However, you can appreciate that if the numbers are less than 2 we will consider other options if we do not have the staff to facilitate this. We will obviously have those conversations with the individual parents requesting care
- Please can I remind you that our school is running on a flexible basis to accommodate parents on shift patterns; if your shift finishes early, please can I ask you to collect your child
- We continue to adhere to strict government guidelines in school for the safety of your children and the staff

## **What we'll continue doing while your child is at home**

- We have updated the Learning page with many more learning platforms and a handy KS1 and KS2 parent help page
- We have put Year 1 learning projects on the learning page, we will be adding more Year groups as soon as possible

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- We have added a Faith Page under the School Life tab, where we will be adding relevant, spiritual reflection
- The children are under no obligation to complete any of the **Purple Mash** tasks that the staff set. These are simply to support you and your child at home
- I will continue to send home daily updates
- Answering your queries and concerns via the school email address
- Organising the **Free School Meals** to families
- Please bring and collect your children from the library entrance, being mindful of guidance on social distancing

## **Full guidance on staying at home and away from others**

The single most important action we can all take, in fighting coronavirus, is to stay at home in order to protect the NHS and save lives.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/full-guidance-on-staying-at-homeand-away-from-others>

**Be part of the national effort to reduce the spread of coronavirus.**

**When possible, be responsible & keep your child at home**

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**Please share this with other parents**

**#StayHomeSaveLives #coronavirus**

*"We can believe in the love of the people we have around us and there we can find hope".*

*Pope Francis*

God Bless

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