



St Bernadette's Catholic Primary School

'Doing our best for God'

Date: Thursday, 04 March 2021

Dear Parent/Carer,

We are looking forward to the children returning to school on Monday 8th March 2021.

We are aware that the lockdown is having an impact on family life in different ways. The lockdown has meant people have either lost their jobs, having hours reduced or been put on furlough. This has had an effect on the household financial budgets and the wellbeing of children and adults.

As a school, we have been very fortunate to have received some funding from charities and the Diocese, as well as donations of food from the church. We can offer food parcels to St Bernadette's families. Please contact me in confidence on my direct line **01253 353687** – If I am not in my office please leave a message and I will contact you as soon as I can or you can contact me on my email denise.duke@st-bernadette.blackpool.sch.uk

I can also offer other support to you and your families through this difficult time. I have listed a few but please do not hesitate to contact me to ask me anything- if I don't know I will find out.

- Bereavement
- Behaviour
- A listening ear
- Parenting support
- Anxiety
- Emotional Well-being
- worries (a worry shared is a worry halved)
- 1:1 face to face meeting following COVID procedures.

You may be entitled to free school meals –Please go Blackpool Council FYI website to see if you are entitled. Or use this link <https://www.blackpool.gov.uk/Residents/Education-and-schools/School-meals/Free-school-meals.aspx>

If you live outside Blackpool borders use this link: <https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/children-education-families/schools/free-school-meals/>

Please contact me at school in complete confidence either by telephone on **01253 353687** or email denise.duke@st-bernadette.blackpool.sch.uk

I am sorry that at present we cannot have the coffee afternoons, where parents, grandparents and extended families could come in and have a chat with each other. Hopefully, we can gather in the not too far distance - I look forward to putting the kettle on.

Kindest regards

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