



Tuesday 24th March 2020

Dear Parents,

We hope your first few days of distance learning have gone well, we appreciate it's going to take time to get to grips with how Purple Mash works, we are doing our best to answer questions and queries as quickly as possible.

Thank you to all of our families who have managed to find alternative childcare, in response to last night's statement. Our staff numbers have reduced, however, we are doing our best to ensure we remain open for the children of critical key workers. We currently have our provision set up until Friday and will communicate with families towards the end of the week once we know what our staffing situation is from Monday.

We have been notified that parents are contacting other local schools directly, we are your point of contact until further notice, so we ask that you refrain from doing this as there is no agreement in place for schools to take St Catherine's children. They too will be prioritising due to high levels of need.

We have received queries regarding Purple Mash as some tasks are not showing as completed. If the task is an assessment (a list of questions for the children to answer, for example the multiplication practise) this will not show in your work folder. The results get sent directly to your child's class teacher and they will review the results.

We would also like to draw your attention to your child's/children's class blog where Mr Reilly will be uploading weekly physical activity tasks for the children to complete. We welcome any evidence of these being uploaded onto the blogs too.

We are tweeting daily with additional activities, so please remember to follow us on Twitter if you are able to. We would love you to tweet us back if you can, but we can only view it if your profile is public.

Please keep safe and thank you all for your continued support.

Stay safe and God bless.

St Catherine's