

5th January 2021

PURPLE MASH AND REMOTE LEARNING DURING WHOLE SCHOOL CLOSURE

Dear Parents/Carers

As promised, we are writing with additional information about remote learning during the school closure period. We are constantly working to improve the remote learning we offer at Oasis Academy Byron and will continue to take feedback from pupils, parents, carers and staff.

We recognise that families have different needs and one approach will not suit everyone. Many of our families are sharing a computer which may also be needed for older siblings at secondary school or parental work commitments, and some have no or limited internet access. We also appreciate that this time adds additional pressure to families and we hope to alleviate some of the stress that you may be feeling.

Should you have limited access online, we can provide weekly home learning packs that can be arranged for collection by calling the school on 0208 668 4877 or by emailing byron@oasisbyron.org. Depending on demand, there may be a wait whilst a copy is printed for you.

Home Learning for Reception, Year 1 and Year 2

Home learning will be provided in the form of a PowerPoint which can be downloaded from our school website. Please click on the curriculum tab at the top of the homepage followed by the home learning tab. Scroll down until you find your child's year group tab. Click on the year group tab and you will find a PowerPoint dated for the appropriate week. These learning packs are designed to be used in conjunction with a notebook from home and do not need to be printed. Pupils can click on interactive links and videos to gain additional support. Should you need any further help, please do email your child's class teacher using the year group email attached. Teachers will also be expecting children to share their learning for feedback by emailing this email account with the help of an adult of course.

Home Learning for Years 3 to 6

Home learning for KS2 will be set weekly in your child's Purple Mash account. These usernames and passwords have been emailed out already although, please do email your child's teacher if you need another copy. In Purple Mash your child will find their weekly learning along with any additional activities to complete. Teachers will also provide links to Live Microsoft Teams lessons in the relevant lesson PowerPoint.



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Where possible, work should be completed on Purple Mash, in their own notebooks and then shared with their class teacher via their class email system we have set up. Teachers will be able to provide regular feedback to pupils via email and our Purple Mash learning platform.

From time to time, teachers may also ask children to complete a quiz on Purple Mash so that they can identify if pupils understand the topic or if further work is needed.

Teachers will be available to answer questions, discuss learning and give feedback to children during the school day but please be mindful that they will also be teaching and planning future lessons throughout the day. Please do be patient whilst your child's class teacher responds.

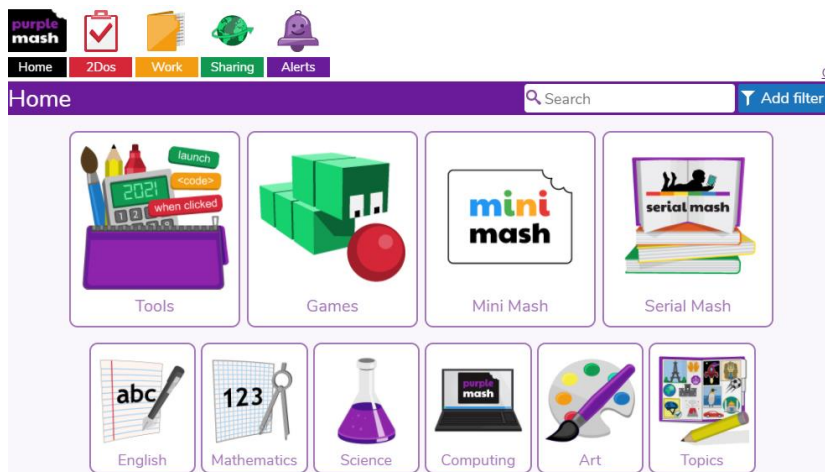
Please remind your child that we have the same expectations online as we do in school and that teachers and school leaders can see all of the comments made via Purple Mash.

The school login page can be found at:

<https://www.purplemash.com/sch/oasisa>

Please consider saving this link as a favourite to your home device.

The children can sign in on the login in page using their user name and password where they will be taken to the page below.



From this page, the children simply click on the red 2Dos tab and this will display any learning to be downloaded.



← 2Dos Refresh

2Do: Day 1 6th Jan

Here is day one of home learning,
(Set by: Kayleigh Claridge)

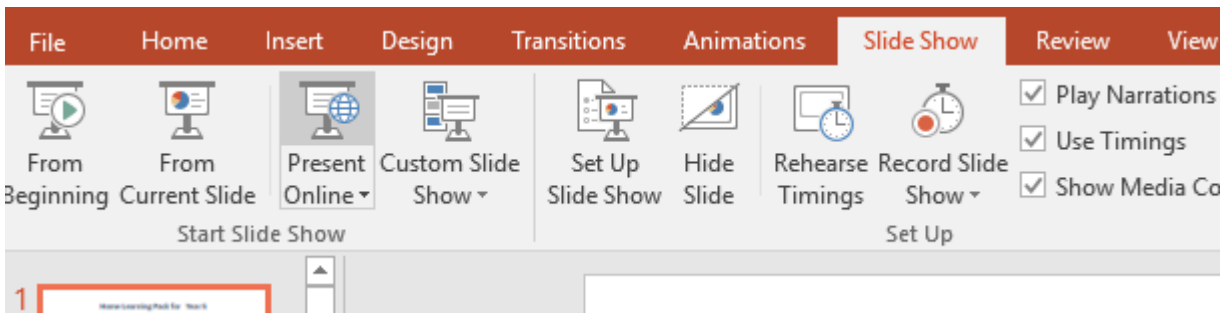
[Download File Day 1 6th Jan.pptx](#)

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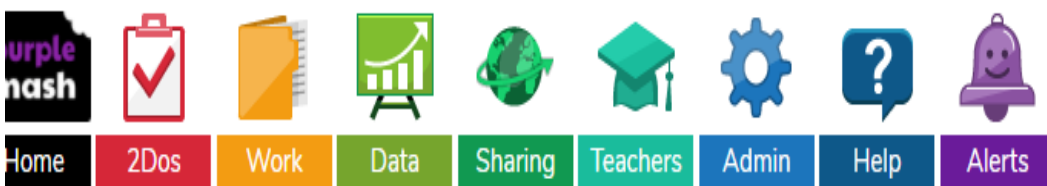
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From this page, you simply click on the download file button and open the PowerPoint.

Once the PowerPoint has been opened, it is important that your child views the PowerPoint in slide show mode from the beginning otherwise all of the links to live lessons and help videos will not work. See the tab below.



For further support with Purple Mash, please click on the help tab from the home page and there are various help videos to watch.



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YEAR GROUP EMAIL ADDRESSES

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Miss Milward and Miss Bennison Year 1 Class	year1@oasisbyron.org
Miss Downes and Mrs Wilshaw Year 2 Class	year2@oasisbyron.org
Mrs Hughes Year 3 Class	year3@oasisbyron.org
Miss Curtis Year 4 Class	year4@oasisbyron.org
Miss Talbot Year 5 Class	year5@oasisbyron.org
Mrs Claridge Year 6 Class	year6@oasisbyron.org

We shall be monitoring the work that children complete and teachers will be making phone calls to speak to the children at least once a week to discuss the learning they are doing at home. If you wish to discuss anything with the class teacher, please do contact them via email or call the school office who will pass on any messages. Teachers have also created a daily get together with their class via Microsoft Teams so please ensure that your child joins this as much as possible. This get together will be in the format of an assembly or live lesson. Links to these sessions will be added to PowerPoints or emailed.

All of the learning for tomorrow onwards will be live by 8am tomorrow morning at the very latest via the relevant platform for your child's year group. Please call if you require a printed pack.

Thank you as always for your continued support.

The Oasis Academy Byron Team

