



St Bartholomew's Primary School

## Newsletter No 1

Spring Term 2021



Dear Parents and Carers,

15<sup>th</sup> January 2021

Welcome to 2021 and a third lockdown in the eye of the pandemic. We have been incredibly impressed with the hard work from all of the staff to provide on-line learning, keep classes open for critical workers and vulnerable children and keeping the school as safe as possible. No doubt, everyone is heartily fed up with this situation and we are grateful that everyone is pulling together and doing their best to suppress the virus and get out of this as soon as possible.

Please do not expect staff to reply to emails after normal working hours and allow a few days for a response. One teacher per year group will be in school at any one time to teach the children of critical workers. The other members of the team will be working from home for that week. Please contact the teachers working from home – who this is will be indicated on the Itslearning pages.

Our staff are working hard to develop the online learning opportunities for your children. Through a combination of pre-recorded, live lessons and learning resources and activities, we aim to support your child's learning and social development. We hope that by providing a mixture of different types of learning, your children will be able to access the learning at a time and in a manner that fits in with the needs of your family.

Many thanks for all the donations of food and toiletries to support some of our local school community - they are making a real difference. The families are deeply grateful for the kind thoughts and support you are providing at this time. As a school, we will continue to encourage your donations throughout the lockdown period. Please continue to place the items in the boxes at the front of the school.

During this time, we want to work with you to best support your children's learning. We value the children's effort and hard work and will therefore continue to hold the well-done celebration event every Thursday. As usual, teachers will nominate children who have produced high quality work or demonstrated positive personal attributes. All children, whether at home or school will be eligible to receive a certificate. We will endeavour to make a recording of the 'prize giving' and post this onto ItsLearning each week. Certificates for children working at home will be posted out to them.

We have been informed that the White Horse will be running live weekly pizza and cookie sessions with packs to pick up every Wednesday. The kits need to be pre-ordered every Tuesday at 4pm. These are a great way to engage your children with cooking alongside others. Please contact the White Horse if you are interested.

<https://menus.preoday.com/White-Horse-Quorn/The-White-Horse-Inn#/main/venue/menu>

You may already know, but the Government have stated that there will be no statutory SATS tests this year for either Key Stage 1 or 2. Any assessments will be completed by the teachers.

We were delighted that you were able to support the charities Shelter and Rainbows at Christmas. A total of £296.50 was donated to each charity.

Thank you also for your support with reducing the numbers of children coming into school during this dangerous time. We know, as many are parents ourselves, how difficult it is to juggle home working and home learning. Hopefully, this will be for a relatively limited time now that the vaccines are beginning to be administered to the most vulnerable people in our community. We appreciate your kindness and patience in what has been an unprecedented and fast moving few weeks.

Yours faithfully

Mrs Boston  
Headteacher

## **Remote Learning**

If your child is unable to undertake remote learning due to isolation or having COVID-19 can you please advise us even though they are not in school.

Thank you.



**Educational Psychology  
& Wellbeing Services**

### **Adult Self Care Pack**

In response to the Coronavirus outbreak, EPIC have created the following Adult Self Care Resource Pack to support you in boosting your resilience, reduce anxiety and ensuring your overall positive wellbeing throughout these unprecedented times.

Please click on the link below for more information:-

<https://epicleics.com/epic/covid-19/adult-self-care-pack><https://epicleics.com/epic/covid-19/adult-self-care-pack>

### **School Emails**

We have discovered recently that some of the emails sent from the school pupil database have been going into parents' junk email.

To try and avoid this from happening, please add the following email address to your safe senders list:

[8553070@capita-intouch.co.uk](mailto:8553070@capita-intouch.co.uk)

Thank you.

Miss A Holland

School Business Manager

## Recommended Resources

Please find below some recommended resources which will enhance children's learning. This is not a to do list, by any stretch of the imagination, just some ideas for when the home learning has become just too much (for child and/or parent!) or you simply don't have the time to individually support your child. You are all doing an amazing job in extremely difficult circumstances.

- **CBBC**  
They have allocated 3 hours each morning to programmes which support children's learning – Bitesize lessons as well as Horrible Histories, Operation Ouch etc. This starts at 9am each day.  
<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/education-55591821>

BBC Bitesize				
Lockdown Learning Mon 11 - Fri 15 Jan				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>Primary Learning on CBBC</b>				
09:00 BBC Bitesize Daily 5-7 years Maths & History	09:00 BBC Bitesize Daily 5-7 years English	09:00 BBC Bitesize Daily 5-7 years Science	09:00 BBC Bitesize Daily 5-7 years Maths & French	09:00 BBC Bitesize Daily 5-7 years English & Wellbeing
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10:05 Celebrity Supply Teacher Maths with Mark Labbett	10:05 Celebrity Supply Teacher English with Geri Horner	10:05 Celebrity Supply Teacher PE with Marcus Rashford	10:05 Celebrity Supply Teacher Gardening with Jeff Hordley & Zoe Henry	10:05 Celebrity Supply Teacher Food Science with Heston Blumenthal
10:15 Horrible Histories	10:15 Horrible Histories	10:15 Horrible Histories	10:15 Horrible Histories	10:15 Horrible Histories
10:45 Our School	10:45 Our School	10:45 Our School	10:45 Our School	10:45 Our School
11:05 Art Ninja	11:05 Art Ninja	11:05 Art Ninja	11:05 Art Ninja	11:05 Art Ninja
11:35 Operation Ouch!	11:35 Operation Ouch!	11:35 Operation Ouch!	11:35 Operation Ouch!	11:35 Operation Ouch!
<b>BBC TWO</b>				
<b>Secondary Learning on BBC Two</b>				
- Science Week -				
13:00 BBC Bitesize Daily Secondary 11-14 years				
14:00 Brian Cox's The Planets				
Continue your learning at <a href="http://bbc.co.uk/bitesize">bbc.co.uk/bitesize</a> Catch up on all the shows on BBC iPlayer				

- The Oak Academy [Home - Oak National Academy \(thenational.academy\)](https://www.thenational.academy)  
This has a variety of live lessons accessible. Some of our teachers are adding specific links to this on our ItsLearning page so keep an eye out for these.
- [Blue Peter on YouTube](https://www.youtube.com/bluepeter) at CBBC  
They have world record breaking challenges, arts and crafts, environmental videos, cooking and baking how tos, inspirational films, gaming, celebrity appearances, dance routines and music performances. They also feature ways of getting a Blue Peter badge, behind the scenes footage and extra content about their presenters: Adam, Lindsey, Mwaksy, Richie and Henry the Blue Peter dog.  
You need to subscribe to <https://www.youtube.com/bluepeter> - (it's completely free to subscribe!) and you can watch the live programme on CBBC at 5.00pm every week, or on BBC iPlayer.
- Joe Wicks is back! Every Monday, Wednesday and Friday, you can take part in PE with Joe through his YouTube channel.
- <https://www.youtube.com/user/thebodycoach1>.

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To All at St Bartholomew's Primary School

We really appreciate your kind donation of £296.50 which you sent in recently, donated in lieu of gifts for staff for Christmas. Thank you so much to everyone who made a donation and also to the team for choosing to support Rainbows. We're so grateful to you all at St Bartholomew's for your amazing continued support!

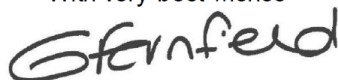
At present, Rainbows are proudly supporting the NHS by looking after children and young people from local hospitals, while our dedicated Care Team continue to provide end-of-life care and symptom control in the hospice for our Rainbows Families.

We are providing virtual support for our families stuck at home during this difficult time. For Rainbows, this means more PPE equipment, more training and resources and our staff working harder than ever.

We can only continue to provide this vital service for local families with the help we receive from our supporters, people like you all. On behalf of all of the babies, children and young people who rely on Rainbows, thank you so much for your wonderful support.

Take care and keep safe!

With very best wishes



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