

# Heaton St. Barnabas' C.E. Primary School

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Dear Parent / Carer,

Following the announcement on Monday evening by the government to close schools we have been working hard to ensure that we are able to plan and deliver quality remote lessons and activities to ensure that pupils continue to make progress.

As you can imagine it has been a great challenge yet again to go into a second lockdown and like yourselves we are all feeling concerned the impact of the lockdown will have long term on our pupils and communities. As a school we are now providing child care to children of keyworkers in school as well as remote lessons online for children at home. With seven year groups looking to deliver live lessons it has needed some careful planning to ensure every class has an opportunity to participate. The children also have CGP Workbooks and will be directed by the class teachers to pages to work on.

We realise that our pupils respond differently to learning approaches and we are keen to ensure that we offer different activities for them to engage with. Teachers will also make phone calls to children to ensure that they are participating in the online learning and provide important feedback.

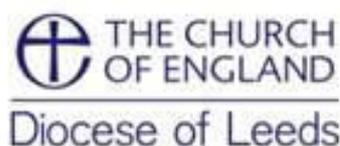
An area some parents have raised concerns about has been pupils not having access to electronic devices. The government made many promises but we have only been able to secure 16 laptops for home learning support. These will be distributed to families who have been identified as greatest need and unable to take part in any online learning. Whilst we are unable to hold face to face meetings if you have any concerns or issues please do not hesitate to contact us and we will do our best to support you.

I would like to thank you all for your continued support during these unprecedented times and look forward to changing times ahead with the promise of the vaccine to bring about some normality to our everyday lives.

Yours Sincerely,

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