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Dear Nursery Parents and Carers,

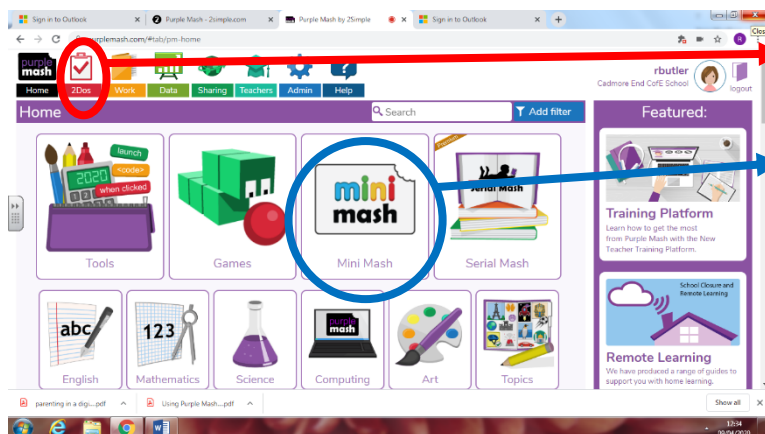
I hope you are all well and have managed to find some peace over the Easter holidays. I was hoping that by this point that we would be returning to 'normal' and welcoming the children back to school.

Unfortunately, as this is not possible at present, I have updated the school website nursery page with activities that might be useful for the foreseeable future.

In addition, I am pleased to announce that from this week, we will be launching Purple Mash. This is an exciting, interactive world of learning that we are sure the children will enjoy using. Each week, (on Monday) I will set a variety of learning tasks (2Do's) for the children to complete at their own pace over the course of the week.

The learning platform allows me to set work, assess progress and provide online feedback to the children. It also features a specially designed Early Years space which mimics a classroom environment and allows the children to self-select activities of their own choice and then save them to their individual learning 'tray.' You will all receive a unique username and password to access the site. I would highly recommend you explore the site and activities yourself before introducing it to the children. There is a very useful interactive 'Webinar for Parents' that you may want to watch prior to exploring: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eZyQdS1y3WQ>

When you log into Purple Mash you will see this home screen:



All set work (2Dos) will appear under the red icon.

To access the Early Years Zone, click on the 'Mini Mash' icon.

Moving forward, I would also like to touch base with the children at least once a week. This could take the form of a weekly email or phone call.

I will be available for phone calls on a Friday at a convenient time. This would be a lovely opportunity for me to keep in touch with you, the children could show me a special toy/teddy or just have a general chat about life at home. Please let me know if you would like a slot.

As always, please don't feel pressurised to complete all of the set tasks outlined on the website every day/every week. They are provided to support you if you should wish.

Remember to keep an eye on the Nursery & Forest School Page of the schools website and the Facebook group for updates, weekly stories, challenges and celebrations of work.

Please keep your photos coming! Please do let me know if I can post and share your photos and do not hesitate to contact me if you need any further support.

Thinking of you all. Stay safe!

Mrs Hazell 😊