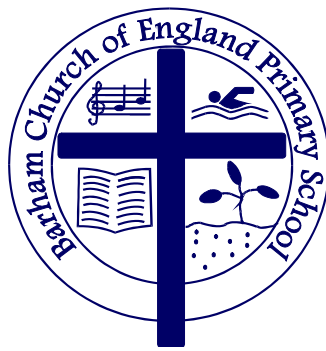


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Dear Parents/Carers,

What a week! Thank you for your patience and understanding as we try to grapple with whatever the government throws at us at such short notice.

### Home Learning

I hope that your child has enjoyed the home-learning tasks set this week. Despite having only 24 hours to re-plan lessons for remote learning, teachers have thought carefully about trying to keep it consistent and manageable for parents, particularly those who are supporting more than one child. This time, for example, subjects across the year groups are happening on the same day at the same time. Thank you to all of you who have given positive feedback to teachers about the current format. This is really encouraging.

We have had feedback from a few parents struggling with the Zoom meetings because of patchy broadband connections, however, our aim is to continue to introduce the day's lessons on Zoom and then the children will have recorded teaching videos to watch - so they can pause, stop, rewind etc. The recorded lessons are preferable to 'live' lessons as they can be watched at a convenient time for each family and revisited if needed.

The following day's Zoom meeting will pick up any issues and feedback from the day before. The Zoom guidelines have been re-issued – please read through the relevant points with your child (particularly about the chat function) if they are in Key Stage 2.

It has been great to see so many children responding in a variety of ways via Seesaw. At the moment this seems to be working well but as always at Barham, we will of course, evolve and evaluate what we provide for remote learning.

### Key Worker Children

Thank you for following all the guidelines. We are altering the times from Monday to make it easier for those of you with children in different bubbles. The revised times are as follows:



Drop off and Pick up Times/Places			
Year Group	Entrance	Drop off	Pick up
YR/Y1 Key Worker	Wrens Door	8:50	3:15
Y2 Key Worker	Owls Door	8:50	3:15
KS2 Key Worker	Main gate	8:45	3:10

**Ms Stephens' Virtual Art Club**

Ms Stephens is once again, organising a virtual Art Club. If you are interested, please contact Ms Stephens: [lindsey.a.stephens@gmail.com](mailto:lindsey.a.stephens@gmail.com) For any children who would like to take part that are Pupil Premium, the school will pay any fees.

Have a good weekend.

Yours sincerely



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