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## Purple Post

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### Principal's Message

*We want our school to be a place where we are safe: to learn, have fun and work hard. A place where we are kind and mindful of everyone and have positive attitudes for our bright futures.*

*I am hoping that this, the 200<sup>th</sup> edition of the Purple Post finds you and you families well and healthy.*

*In these unprecedented times it is so important to keep in touch with each other as much as possible and remain updated with what's going on even in our school community.*

*You will be aware that all pupils were issued with a paper pack of work to complete during our closure- these were given out on the Thursday afternoon. In the pack was a wide range of tasks and activities for pupils as well as their individual log-in details for our online teaching forum - Purple Mash.*

*I'm delighted to report that 100s of children are regularly logging in to Purple Mash and completing tasks set by their teachers- teachers are able to mark work and respond to pupils to give feedback. This is a safe way to keep in touch as Purple Mash is a closed system which can only be accessed by our school community. If you haven't yet had a go, please do encourage your child to as it's a great way to keep learning and keep contact with school life.*

*Please also keep regularly checking our website and Twitter to find latest updates and news as this is now our main method of communication.*

*Wishing you all a happy and healthy Easter  
Liz Latham*

### Times Table Rockstars – Battle of the Bands!

Times Table Rockstars is another great way to keep your child learning and their brains ticking away! The current battle ends on 27<sup>th</sup> April and the results so far are in – well done to everyone for taking part so far. We look forward to seeing the winners at the end!

Battles

PastPresentFuture

Home

Away

Start

End

Valerie Thomas

13,5876,180

Oliver Jeffers

20 Mar 20, 08:45

27 Apr 20, 08:45

Roald Dahl

2,6883,445

Roger Hargreaves

20 Mar 20, 08:46

27 Apr 20, 08:46

Shaun Tan

19,88522,919

David Williams

20 Mar 20, 08:47

27 Apr 20, 08:47

JK Rowling

7,4209,565

SF Said

20 Mar 20, 08:48

27 Apr 20, 08:48

Louis Sachar

20,30524,631

Neil Gaiman

20 Mar 20, 08:48

27 Apr 20, 08:48

### Wonderful website

Our website is packed with information, learning, updates and advice about all sorts of things! Please follow this link for easy access to a wide range of advice and support available even while we are closed

<https://www.queensmeadacademy.org/children>

### Tell us a story!

We have been very busy filming ourselves reading stories that your child can watch and listen to- please follow the link below to see your teacher reading your class book or another one of their favourite stories – we've had over 2600 'hits' so this is clearly something you're enjoying doing! Keep checking back as new stories are added daily

<https://flipgrid.com/f505a646>

### Purple Mash log in

Please use the link below to access a huge range of activities, learning and fun tasks to do as well as some great ideas for keeping busy over the holiday. These are regularly checked by teachers and new work is set, marked and responded to. A great way to keep in touch and updated

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

### Stay healthy over the holiday

As a school we are following Government guidelines to stay safe

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/coronavirus-covid-19-information-for-the-public>

Please do stay home, protect the NHS and save lives.