

7<sup>th</sup> December 2020

Dear Parent/Carer,

At Oasis Academy Ryelands, we are working hard to develop the different opportunities our children have to learn both at home and in school. Your child now has access to Purple Mash, a whole world of fun and exciting learning opportunities in one safe place. In addition to this we want to be able to provide on-line lessons for children should there be year group bubble closure or a whole school closure. Using Purple Mash the children will be able to have access to the lesson, be able to complete the work on line and post it back to their teacher for feedback.

### What is Purple Mash?

Purple Mash is a comprehensive suite of online learning tools and content, designed to be used by Primary aged children in the classroom and at home.

Find out more here: <https://2simple.com/parents>

### What should you do first?

To begin with, it's a good idea to log in to Purple Mash with your child. We sent these usernames and passwords out in March. Class Teachers will be sending them out again, especially for new children to the academy. We suggest the following: -Familiarising yourself with the menu icons.



- **Looking** at any set tasks that have been given to your child (2Dos)
- **Finding** out about Class Blogs and Display Boards accessible via the Sharing Icon
- **Exploring** the grammar, maths and spelling activities which match to the National Curriculum
- **Play** one of many fun, educational collaborative games such as 2Race
- **Delve** into the Science area and find out about all the areas of Science it covers
- **Investigate** the Topics area to support securing their knowledge of the wider curriculum
- **Tour** the Computing area trying out some of the tools such as 2Code, 2Go and Logo
- **Get** creative in the Tools section, from making an animation to building a printable 3D model
- **Dive** into Serial Mash (an online library of books) -Learn through play in Mini Mash (For children aged 3 to 5).

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Each class teacher will be setting an activity for their children to complete on Purple Mash before we break up for the Christmas holidays, so please keep an eye on the alert and 2Do section to make sure your child can complete this.

### **How can you get more involved?**

As a parent, you can find out about your child's learning on Purple Mash and support them beyond the classroom by registering with Parent Portal. Parent Portal allows you to easily see the learning your child has been doing on Purple Mash, including any comments on work from teachers, homework (2Dos), rewards and so much more. You will never miss out on being informed of your child's learning as Parent Portal sends all registered users a weekly digest email. You can start using Parent Portal today by following the 3 simple steps below.

**Step 1:** Enter URL on your child's login card.

**Step 2:** Click 'Register as a parent'.

**Step 3:** Enter the 'Parent Code' on your child's login card and follow additional instructions.

If you have any questions, please contact your child's class teacher in the first instance.

Happy Purple Mashing!

Sincerely,

Miss Johnston  
Computing Lead