

Remote Learning Plan: Guide for Parents

In the event of a lockdown or isolation, we will provide your child with a remote learning package so that their education is not disrupted. Unlike the previous lockdown, the government expects learning to continue through any periods of isolation or lockdown.

As a family of schools (The Trust), we want to ensure that all of our pupils continue to receive a great education and this plan outlines the offer for every single child.

What is Remote Learning?

- Remote learning is not live lessons.
- Remote learning takes place away from the classroom.
- Remote learning is not sitting in front of a screen or learning for the same length of time as the school day.
- Remote learning is not a set of activities. It is two-way and teachers use submitted work to adapt learning each day.

What Parents Can Expect

- Remote learning will be provided in the case of lockdowns, bubble isolation or from the second day of a child isolating. It will not be provided during illness.
- All children are expected to engage with the learning and we ask parents to support this.
- Learning will not be set for the weekend.
- Home learning will be uploaded and ready to access from 9:15am each day.
- We will not deliver live lessons. We will use videos and online working.
- Parents will not need to print anything.
- We will use Google Classroom which works on smartphones, tablets, ChromeBooks and laptops.
- As far as possible, we will support those experiencing difficulty accessing online learning as long as there is internet access to the home. If there is no internet access, parents will need to collect and submit work set out by the class teacher.
- Teachers always use children's previous learning to shape lessons.
- Children in Nursery and Reception will use Tapestry as normal.
- The school website will contain letters and information but remote learning will be communicated through the Google Classroom platform.
- The remote learning package is not reliant on children sitting in front of a screen from 9:15am - 3pm. It can be used flexibly.
- The remote education provided should be equivalent in length to the core teaching pupils would receive in school. The amount of remote education provided should be, as a minimum, 3 hours a day on average in Key Stage 1 (with less for younger children) and 4 hours a day in Key Stage 2.

What Parents and Pupils Can Expect of the Curriculum Offer

- Daily Phonics or Reading - age dependent
- Daily number work practice e.g. times table, mental arithmetic
- Daily Maths
- Daily English lesson e.g. Reading, Writing, Spelling, Grammar
- Other curriculum subjects. We will not include all subjects. It will mirror whatever subjects they are covering in school at the time (see curriculum booklets)
- Online story times
- Acts of Worship (church schools) or Assemblies (community schools)

What Parents and Pupils Can Expect of Feedback (sometimes called marking)

- It will mirror our in-school feedback policy which is based on extensive research.
- Teachers will not 'mark' every piece of work but they will look at every piece of work.
- Teachers will view every piece of work to assess how much the child has learnt.
- Teachers will provide feedback on key pieces of work.
- Please do not expect teachers to mark all work. They are focusing on personalising the lessons rather than ticking sheets which is a much better use of their time in supporting learning and mirrors what happens in school.
- We will do our best to match what we would do in the classroom within the package.

Submitting Learning

- In Y1-Y6 all learning must be submitted on Google Classroom by 3pm, Monday to Thursday
- In Y1-Y6 all learning must be submitted on Google Classroom by 12pm on a Friday due to teachers having planning, preparation and assessment time on Friday afternoons.
- In Nursery and EYFS, Tapestry will be used more flexibly and teachers will share their daily plans about what they would like you to capture.
- We ask parents to ensure that their child engages in home learning every day.

Role of Teachers

- To ensure that the quality of learning is sustained in the remote learning package.
- To assess the submitted work each day in order to plan the next day's learning.
- To provide feedback in a timely manner where it will make the most impact on learning.
- To communicate with parents if they have any concerns.
- To check in with children each week.
- To ensure that the curriculum offer mirrors the offer in school as closely as possible.
- To ensure that remote learning is not dependent on an excessive amount of adult support.
- To ensure that children who rely on a paper-based, remote learning package are not disadvantaged.

Role of Parents

- To ensure that children complete their remote learning each day
- To contact the class teacher if they have any difficulties.
- Ensure children take regular breaks and get active throughout the day.
- Talk to their child about how the day will be organised - when will they be learning, when are the breaks, when is the finish time etc.
- To ensure that their child uses Google Classroom appropriately and is not rude or abusive.
- If using Tapestry, upload their child's experiences as directed by the class teacher.
- Ensure that in Y1-Y6 work is submitted no later than 3pm (12pm on a Friday)
- Engage with check-ins with the school to help shape the remote learning offer.

Role of the Pupil

- Follow all the normal computer safety rules.
- If you see something that is worrying, abusive or unkind, tell your parents and tell your teacher.
- Complete your learning each and every day.
- Submit your learning no later than 3pm (12pm on a Friday)
- Tell your teacher if you are finding it too hard or too easy.
- Do your best and work as hard as you would in school.
- Make a plan with your parents about what your day will look like.
- Use Friday afternoons to consolidate learning that you have completed throughout the week. Your teacher will inform you of what consolidation should take place during this time.

Staff Illness

- If a member of staff is ill, they will not be expected to provide remote learning. Another member of staff will guide parents to remote learning resources such as Oak National Academy and the BBC etc. This will be for the duration of the teacher's illness. Feedback will not be possible in the same way during this time.