

Remote education provision: information for parents.

This information is intended to provide clarity and transparency to pupils and parents or carers about what to expect from remote education where national or local restrictions or self-isolation result in our pupils remaining at home.

The remote curriculum: what is taught to pupils at home

A pupil's first day or two of being educated remotely might look different from our standard approach, while we take all necessary actions to prepare for a longer period of remote teaching.

What should my child expect from immediate remote education in the first day or two of pupils being sent home?

We have checked that all pupils have access to an electronic device where they can access remote education. All pupils are set up on google classroom. If there are any issues with access, parents can contact us at the school for support. If needed, a member of staff can visit the home to provide support.

Following the first few days of remote education, will my child be taught broadly the same curriculum as they would if they were in school?

We teach the same curriculum remotely as we do in school wherever possible and appropriate. However, we have needed to make some adaptations in some subjects – for example more practical subjects.

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Remote teaching and study time each day

How long can I expect work set by the school to take my child each day?

We expect that remote education (including remote teaching and independent work) will take pupils broadly the following number of hours each day:

Key Stage 3 and 4	5 hours per day – 25 hours per week
Key Stage 5	15 hours per week

Accessing remote education

How will my child access any online remote education you are providing?

Through google classroom and Mathletics.

If my child does not have digital or online access at home, how will you support them to access remote education?

We will make sure all pupils have access to an appropriate electronic device. We can also provide paper-based work which will be dropped off and collected by staff.

How will my child be taught remotely?

We use a combination of the following approaches to teach pupils remotely:

Pupils will be taught in a number of different ways

- live teaching (online lessons)
- printed paper packs produced by teachers (e.g. workbooks, worksheets)
- textbooks and reading books pupils have at home

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- commercially available websites supporting the teaching of specific subjects or areas, including video clips or sequences
- long-term project work and/or internet research activities

Engagement and feedback

What are your expectations for my child's engagement and the support that we as parents and carers should provide at home?

- We expect pupils to engage with remote learning and we will check this on a daily basis and inform parents/carers if there are issues.
- We expect parents and carers to support pupils with remote learning and monitor their engagement. We recognise that this can be a challenge and we are always here to help and offer advice. We can also make home visits to support this process

How will you check whether my child is engaging with their work and how will I be informed if there are concerns?

- We will check pupils' engagement in learning on a daily basis through a combination of google classroom, phone calls home and home visits.
- We will inform parents/carers of any issues and offer appropriate support.

How will you assess my child's work and progress?

Pupils will receive feedback through google classroom, phone calls home, home visits and comments on paper-based work.

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Remote education for self-isolating pupils

If my child is not in school because they are self-isolating, how will their remote education differ from the approaches described above?

Our school remains open during the lockdown as we cater for vulnerable young people. We would encourage all pupils to attend school unless they are self-isolating. Pupils staying at home on a leave of absence or self-isolating will receive remote learning during their absence as detailed above.

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