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 require entire cohorts (or bubbles) to remain at home.

For details of what to expect where individual pupils are self-isolating, please see the final section of this page.

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?

Google Classroom will be made available immediately and used from Tuesday 5th January.

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, we may have to change the way in which we approach some maths sessions due to resources not being readily available in the home setting. Also, some science experiments may not be able to happen at home so these will be addressed when the children return to school.

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 1	3 hours per day – there are minimum expectations for remote provision.
Key Stage 2	Up to 4 hours per day – there are minimum expectations for remote provision.

Accessing remote education

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

We are using Google Classroom to facilitate our home learning during the current lockdown. You can sign up to your child's class page via the letter sent out at the beginning of term.

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

We recognise that some pupils may not have suitable online access at home. We take the following approaches to support those pupils to access remote education:

If you do not have online access at home, then the school will support you by lending you a suitable device such as an ipad or a laptop. As we have only limited supplies, you will be asked to sign an agreement so that we can recover the device once the the national "lockdown" is lifted. In extreme cases of need, the school will supply printed versions of the distance learning.

Winkworth Estate Agents will print off *Remote Education* for parents and pupils.

How will my child be taught remotely?

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

- When on Google Classroom, your child will receive four lessons per day, with there being daily Maths and English sessions. Every day, there will also be one pre-recorded lesson per day with your child's class teacher who will talk through the lesson and what your child needs to do.
- Whilst using Google Classroom, you will also be able to upload your child's work so that the class teacher can look over it and leave a comment. If you have any questions around home learning or using Google Classroom, then please contact your child's class teacher who will be able to assist you further.

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?

- The school expects all pupils' engagement with remote education between Monday and Friday during term time.
- The school expects of parental support with regards to setting daily routines to support your child's education, including breaks and exercise.

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

- The class teachers will check on a daily basis via Google Classroom
- Each child will be telephoned on a fortnightly basis individually by the class teacher.
- Zoom social sessions will also occur fortnightly.

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

Feedback can take many forms and may not always mean extensive written comments for individual children. For example, whole-class feedback or quizzes marked automatically via digital platforms are also valid and effective methods, amongst many others. Our approach to feeding back on pupil work is as follows:

- Pupils will submit their work via Google Classroom
- The pupils will receive regular feedback from the class teachers

Additional support for pupils with particular needs

How will you work with me to help my child who needs additional support from adults at home to access remote education?

We recognise that some pupils, for example some pupils with special educational needs and disabilities (SEND), may not be able to access remote education without support from adults at home. We acknowledge the difficulties this may place on families, and we will work with parents and carers to support those pupils in the following ways:

- The work will be differentiated and appropriate to the needs of the pupil.
- In EYFS & KS 1 the class teacher will introduce each lesson via Loom, using visual aids and stimuli.

Remote education for self-isolating pupils

Where individual pupils need to self-isolate but the majority of their peer group remains in school, how remote education is provided will likely differ from the approach for whole groups. This is due to the challenges of teaching pupils both at home and in school.

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

To ensure individual pupils self-isolating are taught a planned and well-sequenced curriculum with meaningful and ambitious work each day in a number of different subjects, including providing feedback, the class teacher or teaching assistant will send/email the classwork via the year group email to the pupil. Workbooks will also be sent home. The class teacher will discuss the work with the pupil on a weekly basis.