

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 if local or national 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?

Work will move from the physical classroom to your child's Google Classroom, available HERE.

Because all pupils are using Google Classroom for weekly homework, we expect that they can access it straight away. If you need any assistance accessing the learning videos and resources, please email your child's class teacher:

reception@st-teresas.org, year1@st-teresas.org, year2@st-teresas.org, year3@st-teresas.org, year4@st-teresas.org, year5@st-teresas.org year6@st-teresas.org

We can also provide support with resources if needed. Please let us know how we can help you. It is important all pupils are learning each day and we can provide alternatives if needed.

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, in P.E a link will be added to your child's Google Classroom that will provide a video of an age appropriate work out. In science, lessons will be adapted to take into consideration that practical equipment may not be available in the home.

Remote teaching and study time each day

How long can I expect the 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 3 hours each day with additional challenges such as; Epic reading, Times Tables Rockstars, weekly spellings and maths quizzes, creative challenges that encourage being 'offline' and PE/ fitness goals as a supplement to this.

This is dependent on your child's ability, age and other factors. We understand that at home where there is more than 1 child working remotely, it can be difficult for parents so we urge you to contact us if you feel the expectation is too high for your child.

Accessing remote education

How will my child access any online remote education you are providing? Lessons will be provided online through Google Classroom, our online learning platform. There is a video help guide here for you:

https://www.st-teresas.org/homework-help/ or you can access the Google Classroom through the school website under >STUDENTS>Google Classroom.

If you have any queries or difficulties, please email StTeresas@wolverhampton.gov.uk or your child's class teacher. (Eg <u>year5</u>@st-teresas.org. All email addresses are on page 1)

A member of staff from your child's class will also call you at different points throughout the isolation period to check on their learning and well-being.

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:

- We have a number of Chromebooks (our children confidently use in school) that we can provide for pupils to complete daily online work. There are also support options to help with internet access that can be discussed and offered.
- If a Chromebook is provided, this will need to be signed for along with the case and charger. This will be a loan contract between school and your family for a fixed period of remote learning.
- Further details will be described to you via a telephone call if this is something that your family will use.

Remember, remote (home) learning is not a holiday. It is important pupils access learning each day so we need you to work with us to find a way for your child to watch their teacher's learning videos and complete the tasks.

How will my child be taught remotely?

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

- Recorded teaching videos from your class teacher for every English, Maths and Science lesson. Lesson materials and tasks will also be set on Google Classroom for pupils to use after watching the videos.
- Other subjects (E.g Humanities, RE) will have a learning activity description, support prompts and stage appropriate activities for pupils to complete.
- Weekly spellings and daily reading activities will also be provided.
- Where it is essential (and possible) printed paper packs or workbooks/ worksheets will be provided.
- Teachers may assign a learning resource / video / quiz using a website to support the teaching of specific subjects. E.g Nearpod, BBC, Quizlet, Oak Academy.

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 appreciate support from parents where possible. We advise parents that are not working in the school day to establish a good 'learning; routine to enable pupils to independently access remote learning.

A suggested daily routine including waking before 8.30am, washing, dressing and having breakfast before 9am and regular breaks to move around, drink water, have a healthy snack, wash your hands etc will be on your child's class Remote Learning Timetable. These will be shared with you as soon as Remote Learning is triggered.

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

Your child's teacher will call you at least once per week. They will agree the best time to call you again and will need to speak to yourself to check engagement and well-being as well as speaking to your child.

You are welcome to <u>email</u> at any time with questions or comments and we will get back to you within 24 hours (not including weekends).

Where engagement is a concern, we will inform parents and carers of our concern. The Head teacher will contact you or refer our concerns if we cannot contact you.

Remember, Remote Learning is not a holiday, it is important your child is learning each day.

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 receive feedback on all work submitted on Google Classroom. Work can be submitted within the feature of Google or classroom or if easier, a photograph.
- Wherever possible this will be within 24 hours of submitting work on the Google Classroom.

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 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:

- Our specialist support staff will be able to offer more bespoke remote learning such as online reading support sessions or EAL resources etc.
- Pupils in Reception and Year 1 will have many opportunities to succeed through remote learning. The resources, videos and activities provided on Google Classroom will be age or stage appropriate, engaging and promote good progress.

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? Class teachers will provide planned and well-sequenced lesson from our curriculum with meaningful and ambitious work each day in a number of different subjects.

This will either be in the form of a home learning paper pack for 3 lessons per day (3 hours) or will be on Google Classroom where daily feedback will be provided. Your child's class teacher will keep you informed through email to outline the units of work and lesson resources.

PLEASE NOTE: Only pupils who MUST self- isolate will have work provided for them each day. Parents who choose to keep their child at home due to a sibling isolating, will be contacted by our Attendance and Welfare officer. If it is safe for your child to attend school, the absence will not be authorised and recorded.