



Online Learning

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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 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

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. Children have our bespoke, knowledge-rich textbooks at home; these resources are complemented by live remote lessons, taught by our subject specialist teachers.

In some subjects, we have had to make adaptations. For example, we have minimized the use of resources and have shortened our lesson length by ten minutes to allow for screen breaks in between remote sessions.

Much of our online learning will focus on revision of previously taught content, to allow for consolidation and review. We know that revisiting content in increasingly complex and sophisticated ways, supports long term memory retention.

Remote teaching and study time each day

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

In Early Years, the children collect work packs each Friday between 9am and 9.30am. Online learning complements this, through the Tapestry app. Children will also receive phone calls home once a week from their class teachers, for both academic and wellbeing purposes.

In Key Stages 1 and 2, each child has a remote learning timetable, which starts at 9am and finishes at 3pm. Please see the example below:

Year 5 Blue									
	8:50-9:20	9:20-10:10	10:20-11:10	11:10-11:30	11:30-12:20	12:30-1:20	1:20-2:10	2:10-3:00	3:00-3:30
		Lesson 1	Lesson 2		Lesson 3	Lesson 4		Lesson 5	
Monday	PE DA	Science SD	English LS	Break	Mathematics SB	Grammar FSD	Lunch	Homework	Form time
Tuesday	PE DA	Maths Homework	Mathematics SB		Geography AHG	English LS		British History SD	Form time
Wednesday	PE DA	English LS	British History SD		Grammar FSD	Mathematics SB		Independent reading	Form time
Thursday	PE DA	Mathematics SB	Mathletics		Grammar Homework	Science SD		Ancient History RC	Form time
Friday	PE DA	English LS	Latin FSD		Mathematics SB	Ancient History RC		Independent reading	Form time

Accessing remote education

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

Lessons will be conducted on Microsoft Teams, for children in Year 1 upwards.

Online learning is mandatory. A register will be taken in each lesson. **Classes will start on Friday 8th January**. If your child cannot attend a particular lesson, please email the office to let us know why in advance. Each lesson will be recorded and available for 48 hours online to enable children to catch up in this event.

In each lesson, children should:

1. Be ready, at the computer, 5 minutes before each lesson, have all appropriate equipment and books ready, and enter the waiting room.
2. Keep cameras off at the start of the lesson.
3. Mute themselves, unless they are answering a question.
4. Not use the chat function unless asked to.
5. Not log in to the meeting outside the lesson times, or use the chat function.

6. Remain focused on the lesson, e.g. no other devices to be used, no food eaten during the session.

Collection of subject books and stationery

Your child needs their exercise books, textbooks, a pencil, rules and a green pen. Please come to school at the following times to collect these items, with your child. You will need two strong carrier bags.

Bring your child to the gate, where a member of staff will meet you. Your child will then enter the building, collect their books from the classroom, and return to you. Adults should wear a face covering, socially distance at all times, and remain outside at the gate. Only two children will be allowed into each class at one time.

The following times are allocated for pupils to collect their books:

Year Group	Date	Time	Gate
Reception and Nursery	Friday 8 th January	9am – 10.30am	EYFS
Year 1	Friday 8 th January	10am – 11am	Main
Year 2	Friday 6 th January	11am – 12am	Main
Year 3	Thursday 7 th January	10am – 11am	Main
Year 4	Thursday 7 th January	11am – 12am	Main
Year 5	Wednesday 6 th January	1pm – 2pm	Main
Year 6	Wednesday 6 th January	2pm – 3pm	Main

These exercise books and textbooks **MUST** come back to school after lockdown.

Afternoon Form Time

This is a time for children to share their work with the form teacher and touch base. Children can bring up any challenges they have had during the day.

Early Years (Reception and Nursery classes)

At present, we have made the decision to keep our Early Years classes closed. Government guidance has not yet been clarified on nurseries in schools, as we will update you as soon as we have clarity on this.

Early Years children will be provided with work packs. Please come to school on **Friday 8th January between 9am and 10.30am (and thereafter every Monday)** to collect your child's work pack for home learning. A face covering must be worn. These work packs will be complemented by a series of videos, created by the EYFS team. You will be contacted separately about this.

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:

Internet Access

We have:

- a small number of dongles with access to the Internet
- pre-paid SIM cards to use in internet enabled phones and tablets

You are also able to call most network providers and ask for a free data increase to use for remote learning. A mobile phone can then be used to 'hot spot' your device. Contact us for IT support with this.

Devices

We have a number of devices, donated by Westminster Futures, MyLondonHome, St Giles' Trust and the DfE. These are to distribute to children for online learning. We aim to prioritise the distribution to those with the highest level of need. Please ask us for a device, if needed, and we are happy to help.

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:

- Children with EHC Plans have been invited into school for specialist support.
- Differentiated work is provided by the teacher in the class Teams folder, and in physical work packs.
- Small group and individual interventions are run via Teams to meet specific needs.

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?

- If an individual is self-isolating, then work will be emailed home weekly. Links will be given to appropriate online content and recorded lessons.
- If a whole class or bubble are isolating, then learning will be conducted via Teams, as above.