

PARENT FACTSHEET: Home learning

When will my child need to learn from home?

If your child has to self-isolate because of coronavirus.

If there's a local lockdown and the school is advised to partially close or your child has to shield.

What's my child expected to do?

We're determined to keep all of our pupils on-track this year and make sure no one falls behind if they need to learn from home because of coronavirus.

The following new guidelines cover our ideal expectations of what we'd like your child to do while learning remotely, and how we plan to support you and them.

Each day, teachers will aim to set 3-4 hours work which we would like your child to complete. In KS1 and KS2, this will include a maths lesson, an English lesson and a reading activity daily. In Nursery this will include sending parents daily activities, via email focusing on the prime areas personal, social and emotional development, physical development and communication and language. In Reception this will include daily activities via email focusing on physical development, communication and language, literacy and mathematics.

It's important that your child engages with home learning. If they aren't engaging, we may call you to discuss any barriers and possible approaches to support.

What support will the school provide?

We are in the process of moving our online learning to Google Classroom, which will enable teachers to provide regular, meaningful feedback. In the interim, support will be provided through:

Regular contact with teachers through phone calls and/or emails.

In the case of individual children self-isolating, feedback will be provided at least weekly through contact with parents (telephone or email). On return to school, teachers will provide verbal feedback on any work which has been completed and submitted.

In the case of whole bubble closures, teachers will provide feedback on work through commenting on any 'To-do' tasks and 'Work' which are submitted through Purple Mash. Parents may also submit completed work via email to the class teacher. For work completed on paper or tasks assigned not through Purple Mash, feedback will be provided on return to school. In EYFS, teachers will feed back to families through responding to work submitted by email.

We ask that parents contact us if they are having difficulties due to technological issues and **please let us know if you require paper copies of work.**

What can I do to help my child?

Create a positive environment for your child to learn at home, for example:

Distinguish between weekdays and weekends, to separate school life and home life.

Designate a working space if possible, and at the end of the day have a clear cut-off to signal school time is over.

Create and stick to a routine, as this is what your child is used to at school. For example, eat breakfast at the same time each morning and make sure they're dressed before starting the 'school' day.

Stick a timetable up on the wall so everyone knows what they should be doing when, and tick activities off throughout the day.

Make time for exercise and breaks throughout the day to keep your child active.

Make reading a priority if there are days when you don't have much time.