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Remote Learning Policy

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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. This offer of remote education is only made in rare situations, and is only every intended as a temporary measure until full face to face teaching is re-established.

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. For example, work might be posted online rather than live broadcast lessons.

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

The school will aim to broadcast lessons on MS Teams following the normal timetable as soon as possible. If this is not possible within the first few days the school will post work on Teams for pupils to complete.

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 will use MS Teams to broadcast live lessons
- We teach the same curriculum remotely as we do 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 PE may broadcast theory lesson, or set a task, rather than broadcast a taught PE lesson.

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: 5 hours

Key Stage 3 and 4	Tutor Time: 20 minutes & 5 hours of lessons
Key Stage 5	As per normal lessons of 3-4 hours a day, plus 2-3 hours of independent work.

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: Families are encouraged to contact school so that the school can assist with providing devices so that pupils can follow an online curriculum.

How will my child be taught remotely?

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

- live teaching (online lessons)
- textbooks and reading books pupils have at home
- 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 (as per the schools full opening guidance, schools are expected to avoid an over-reliance on these approaches)

Engagement and feedback

We expect pupils to use the online facilities responsibly, e.g. the chat function on Teams is designed for work purposes only. We would expect all pupils to use microphones with the same respect and courtesy that you would expect in school.

If there are concerns?

Depending on the length of online or remote working, the school would give feedback to parents and carers where there are concerns about progress.

Assessing Work

Pupils will be asked to submit more substantial pieces of work for teaching marking and feedback. This may be done in a variety of ways, the most usual though is to ask pupils to submit work on Teams.

Additional support for pupils with particular needs

If the school is able to offer some face to face teaching this will focus in particular on pupils with EHCP and then those pupils on the SEND register who are marked as SEND support.

The school will contact these families during any period of remote learning to check on understanding and engagement with online learning. Bespoke support will be offered as appropriate to those families who are finding online work challenging.