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

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?

- We are producing resource learning packs for parents to collect from School. These will cover all areas of the EYFS curriculum. For example, there will be phonics sheets, mathematical games, weekly planning to mirror what is happening in School.
- We are also updating the learning portal (via Eschools on a weekly basis).

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?

- The range of resources will be the same curriculum as available in school.
- The learning portal will be updated every week with additional videos and ideas for teaching and learning at home.

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:

Nursery school-aged pupils	Attached is a suggested plan of the day. This may or may not work for you so please feel free to adapt to your
	individual circumstances.

Accessing remote education

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

- Our portal is accessed via the website www.hirstwoodnscc.co.uk We issued every child with their individual log-in details and also shard a video of how to locate the wide range of resources and videos.
- Please email jayne.taylor@hirstwoodnscc.co.uk if you require a reminder of your log-in details.

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 are providing every child with a wide range of printed materials if you do not have online access
- You can communicate with class teaching teams via EYLog and let us know if there are any specific areas that you would like support with, or any resources that you need.

How will my child be taught remotely?

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

- recorded teaching
- printed paper packs produced by teachers
- commercially available websites supporting the teaching of specific subjects or areas, including video clips or sequences – there are links to these via the learning portal on the website

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?

- It would be fantastic for us to see what your children are doing at home. Please communicate photographs / comments via EYLog
- expectations of parental support we have suggested a daily structure which may or may not work for you but it may provide some ideas of how to plan your day

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

 We are happy for you to send details of what your child has been enjoying at home, although this will not be formally assessed.

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:

- We are offering all children with identified SEND to attend School and we will support their development in this way.
- Individual children's development can be communicated via EYLog to ensure personalised learning.

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?

- Every parent of children both in and out of School will have the opportunity to access the resources on the learning portal via the website.
- All children will have access to the printed learning resource pack.
- All parents have a method of communication with the teaching teams.
- All class teams will be making weekly communication calls to every family to offer support.