# **Elaine Primary School: Remote Education**

**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 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?**

If pupils are sent home from school, then they will be sent home with their home learning books, at least 1 reading book, stationery and paper/exercise book to complete any learning.

On the first full day of remote education, there will be a zoom session led by class teachers for parents and carers detailing how remote education can be accessed as well as additional resources and teaching tools available during the period. This will also be an opportunity for Q&As.

**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?**

Your child will be taught the same curriculum remotely as they would experience as if they were in school.

**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:

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| KS2 Children | Reading – 30 mins daily  English – 60 mins daily  Maths – 60 mins daily  Wider Curriculum – 60 mins daily  Independent Reading – 30 mins daily  Physical Education – 30 mins daily |
| Year 2 Children | Reading – 20 mins daily  English – 45 mins daily  Maths – 45 mins daily  Wider Curriculum – 45 mins daily  Independent Reading – 15 mins daily  Physical Education – 30 mins daily |
| Year 1 Children | Phonics – 20 mins daily  English – 45 mins daily  Maths – 45 mins daily  Wider Curriculum – 45 mins daily  Independent Reading – 15 mins daily  Physical Education – 30 mins daily |
| Early Years Children | Phonics – 15 mins daily  Literacy/Writing – 30 mins daily  Maths – 30 mins daily  Independent or Shared Reading – 10 mins daily  PSED/PD/CLL/UW/EAD Activities – 1 hour daily |

**Accessing remote education**

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

Remote education will be made available through Google Classroom.

Following the first full day of remote education, there will be high-quality teaching videos to support the learning of reading/phonics, maths and English (in line with the online weekly remote education). A new learning video for each subject will be uploaded daily on each child’s Google Classroom where each child will have daily work set based on the remote education.

Teaching, feedback and Q&A sessions will available through twice daily zoom sessions (a link will be sent out via Parentmail after the initial Parent/Carer zoom session).

**If my child does not have digital or online access at home, how will we 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:

* Those children with social workers have the choice to take out a loan Chromebook to access remote learning. Please contact the school to arrange a loan agreement during the remote education period.
* Physical remote education can be collected via the main office to minimise the use of online access.
* Pupils can submit work via the main office and can call the school to leave messages and questions for teachers who can then get back to the pupils.
* Phone calls from teaching staff where they can support learning for pupils.
* Government Loan Laptops will be available for loan use by some members of our community based on eligibility and need.

**How will my child be taught remotely?**

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

* Daily work in English, reading/phonis, maths and wider curriculum will be set via Google Classrooms (from the second full day of remote education).
* 3 recorded teaching videos in English, reading/phonics and maths available linking to the work on Google Classrooms (from the second full day of remote education).
* Reading books pupils take home.
* Some lessons will include commercially available websites supporting the teaching of specific subjects or areas, including video clips or sequences (such as BBC Bitesize, Oak Academy etc.).

**Engagement and feedback**

**What are our expectations for your child’s engagement and the support that you as parents and carers should provide at home?**

* All pupils should engage with remote education daily as if they were in school, with a minimum of a maths, reading/phonics, English, independent reading and at least 1 wider curriculum lesson (e.g. science, history, geography or art).
* Parents / Carers should encourage their children to engage with remote learning daily. This can include routines to support your child’s education (daily timetable at home), providing a clear and quiet environment to complete remote learning and supporting with any learning and questions.
* During the initial parent and carer zoom call, staff will provide an example timetable of how home education can be scheduled.

**How will we check whether your child is engaging with their learning and how will you be informed if there are concerns?**

* There will be weekly phone calls made to pupils made by teaching staff to talk to children and check their engagement with remote education (phone calls may be made from withheld numbers).
* Learning can be submitted through Google Classrooms.
* Daily zoom sessions will allow teachers to check if children are engaging with their learning.
* If there are engagement concerns, teaching staff will contact parents / carers to discuss this further.

**How will you assess my child’s work and progress?**

* Teachers will feedback to children’s work submitted through Google Classrooms.
* Teachers will respond to emails/tweets that are sent in providing feedback.
* Teachers will assess and verbally feedback to learning during daily zoom calls (this may be individual feedback or whole class feedback)
* Teaching staff making weekly phone calls may also provide feedback and support with remote education.

**Additional support for pupils with particular needs**

**How will we work with you to help your 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:

* Weekly phone support from teaching staff to provide strategies with how to deliver remote education for pupils with SEND.
* Discretional adaptions to remote education for SEND and younger children may be available after speaking to the class teacher / SENCo. This includes individual work set to allow these children to access the learning.

**Self-isolation**

**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 differ from the approach for whole groups. This is due to the challenges of teaching pupils both at home and in school.

**If your child is not in school because they are self-isolating, how will their remote education differ from the approaches described above?**

Children will receive the same remote education where learning will still be via individual Google Classroom logins and contact with school will still be available through tweets and emails.

Learning videos will not be avilable; however commercially-available websites can be accessed to support remote education.

The school will try to engage in phone call check ins but this may not always be possible or consistent due to limited staffing availability.