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## **Bolney C of E Primary School**

**January 2021**

### **Remote education provision during the partial school opening**

Here is what you can expect from remote education when, due to Covid 19, Government restrictions mean most children must remain at home.

**Will my child be taught broadly the same curriculum as they would if they were in school?**

Yes. We aim to ensure there is a balance of curriculum subjects in the weekly plans. Teachers will provide activities for: daily English, maths, science, and PE. Plus, over the week, a range of foundation subjects that could include: history, geography, religious education, art, computing, design and technology, music and French for KS2 children. There will also be activities to support wellbeing.

**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 our KS1 pupils broadly 3 hours a day, and our KS2 children 4 hours as a minimum, averaged across the week.



### **How will my child access the online remote education you are providing?**

We are using Microsoft Teams to provide remote education.

Each child has their own log in which has been sent to each family. As you need to change the password when you first sign in school will not have your password. If there are any issues with accessing Microsoft Teams please contact the school as soon as possible:  
office@bolneyprimary.school

We may also refer to specific pages on our school website and teachers will direct pupils to these via Teams or by email. <https://www.bolneyschool.org.uk/website>

### **If my child does not have digital or online access at home, how will you support them to access remote education?**

We have contacted all parents about access at home. If your circumstances change we can support pupils without online access to receive remote education:

- Please contact the school if your child is unable to access the remote learning so we can arrange the best alternative provision.
- We can provide pupils with printed materials instead and work can be submitted to teachers by posting it to the school address, or by hand delivery at the school gate.
- Where possible we will attempt to issue or lend laptops to pupils who have no device (subject to government criteria). This may not be possible, however, if we have a significant number of critical worker/ vulnerable children still attending school.



## How will my child be taught remotely?

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

- Weekly planned activities set by the teacher and shared on Teams.
- Weekly planned activities will include recorded sessions by your child's class teacher so pupils can pause and replay these as needed and families can access these at a time suitable to them. We aim to record three sessions a week, some may be in short video clips to aid ease of use.
- For the English and maths remote learning, teachers will add an additional activity for your child to follow if they are finding the set learning work difficult. They will also add a challenge activity if your child wishes to try it.
- We will aim to get the weekly planned activities to you before the week starts.
- The weekly planned activities may include long-term project work and/or internet research activities for older pupils.
- From January 18<sup>th</sup> 2021 teachers will arrange a fortnightly Teams video call for an online face to face discussion for all children who are not attending school at present. This will be booked in advance. Teachers will direct the content for these calls to meet individual need. The video call may be recorded and the call may need to be rearranged if a teacher is ill.
- We will post additional general activities on our school website, these can be found at: [https://www.bolneyschool.org.uk/website/remote\\_learning/533908](https://www.bolneyschool.org.uk/website/remote_learning/533908)
- Links to school-made videos on our unlisted You Tube channel will be shared, by either email or via Teams.
- We may use commercially available websites supporting the teaching of specific subjects or areas, including video clips. There will be no cost involved.
- We may direct you to recorded teaching by external providers like the Oak National Academy and White Rose Maths.
- Printed activities produced by teachers (e.g. worksheets) on request for those that cannot access the internet.
- Using books pupils have at home.
- Reading books may be borrowed from school, please email your child's teacher.



### **Can you suggest any additional educational resources we can use?**

The school will keep the website updated with any new resources that you may like to access in addition to the learning set by the class teacher. These can be found on this page:

[https://www.bolneyschool.org.uk/website/remote\\_learning/533908](https://www.bolneyschool.org.uk/website/remote_learning/533908)

Here are a few for you to take a look at:

- BBC Bitesize <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/primary>
- BrainPOP <https://www.brainpop.com/>
- Coding <https://www.tynker.com/>
- Joe Wicks Body Coach YouTube channel  
<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCAxW1XT0iEJo0TYlRfn6rYQ>

### **What are your expectations for my child's engagement and the support that we as parents and carers should provide at home?**

We expect all children to:

- continue to follow our values of love, respect, honesty and resilience,
- display the good learning behaviours we see in school, such as having a go, accepting mistakes, reviewing what they have done and improving it, persevere so stamina is built, be patient, asking for help when they are stuck
- undertake remote education for the stated amount of time each day, or accumulated across the week.

Children can choose to use the chat facility on Teams to engage with their teacher and peers about an assignment, discussing their learning and providing support to each other. The chat facility is monitored by the class teacher and we expect positive communications only.

We expect parents, as much as possible, to:

- follow a daily routine to support your child's education,
- assist children to access tasks,
- provide a comfortable place to work,
- offer help, where needed, to complete tasks,
- contact the school if there is a problem.



**How will you check whether my child is engaging with their work and how will I be informed should there be any concerns?**

- Each week, parents or children are expected to send work back to their teacher via Teams or email, as directed by, or agreed with, the class teacher.
- Where a pupil's engagement is a concern, teachers will discuss this through the face to face meeting with the child and inform parents and carers by phone or email to discuss possible solutions.
- If you are concerned about your child's engagement at home please do contact your child's teacher, as soon as possible, by email.

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

Feedback can take many forms. Our approach to feeding back on pupil work is as follows:

- Pupils will receive timely feedback, by their class teacher, on specific pieces of work. This will be at least weekly, however all teachers are also teaching in school and will respond as soon as they can.
- School staff will respond to parent and pupil emails between the working hours of 8am and 5pm but please be aware that during lockdown teachers are still teaching.

**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, those 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:

- Some pupils will be given personalised learning to support them at home.
- Providing additional phone/email support from the class teacher or SENCO.
- Using online educational games to support access and engagement with their learning.



**What will happen if my child's class teacher is unable to work due to illness or injury?**

- We will inform you by email if your child's teacher is unable to work and will arrange for another teacher to provide the remote learning and to respond to the chats and messages on Teams.
- Please email the office if your child's class teacher is off work and not the class teacher.
- Any arranged face to face online discussions using Teams video call will take place with another teacher.
- We will inform you by email when your child's teacher returns to work.
- Teachers are able to work from home if they need to self-isolate though sometimes there may be some technical issues!
- We ask you to be patient and understanding during this time.