



Remote Education Provision: Information for Parents

This information is intended to provide clarity and transparency to pupils and parents/carers about what to expect from remote education where national or 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 whilst 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 will ensure that your child has a work pack and a laptop, if needed, within two days of them starting to be educated at home. Within the first two days a timetable will then be sent to you and any other resources will be emailed or sent as necessary.

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?

As much as possible, we try to teach the same curriculum remotely as we do in school. However, we have needed to make some adaptations in some subjects. For example, some of the more practical subjects such as Science, DT or Art, may be adjusted to reflect the more limited resources that are available at home, although we do our best to send out a variety of exciting educational packs and activities for pupils to learn with at home. In addition, we try our best to encourage continued reading whilst at home, either with an adult or independently. This includes Guided Reading via Zoom, as well as sending home new and engaging reading books specially selected to reflect the interests of each child.

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:

Primary Key Stage 1	3 hours
Primary Key Stage 2	4 hours
Key Stage 3 and 4	5 hours



Accessing Remote Education

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

We will use Zoom to provide online lessons.

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:

- The school will contact all parents and carers to check that all children have access to the internet and to a laptop or computer at home. Where pupils do not have access to a laptop or computer, the school will ensure that a laptop is delivered by school staff to the pupil's home as quickly as possible (within two days of the start of a period of Remote Learning).
- Printed materials/pupil educational work packs, art materials and other educational resources will be sent to pupils either by post or delivered by school staff as soon as possible...and repeatedly throughout longer periods of remote education.
- Pupils completed work will be shared and assessed by teachers during interactive sessions or returned remotely via email, as directed by the class teacher.

How will my child be taught remotely?

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

Some examples of remote teaching approaches:

- live teaching (online Zoom lessons)
- recorded teaching (e.g. Oak National Academy lessons, video/audio recordings made by teachers)
- printed paper packs produced by teachers (e.g. workbooks, worksheets)
- textbooks and reading books pupils have at home
- commercially available websites supporting the teaching of specific subjects or areas, including video clips or sequences such as the BBC website
- long-term project work and/or internet research activities.
- Art packs and Craft project packs will be sent to pupils.
- New reading Books will be bought from Amazon and sent directly to the children's homes



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?

- Teachers in all classes will send out an individual weekly timetable for your child which outlines the times of daily Zoom sessions and activities.
- We welcome parents and carers' support in encouraging your child to fully engage in their timetable and the activities set by their teachers and to help us by setting routines to support your child's education

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

- Via Zoom and daily discussion with all staff working with your child, as well as yourselves, we will continually assess how your child is doing and monitor pupils' engagement with remote education. In addition, a daily log is kept by teachers which tracks this information.
- You will receive a weekly phone-call from a member of Hartmore School's Senior Leadership Team to discuss how your child is engaging as well as any other issues and to agree any changes we can make to best meet the needs of the child..

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

Feedback can take many forms and may not always mean extensive written comments for individual children. For example, whole-class feedback or quizzes marked automatically via digital platforms are also valid and effective methods, amongst many others. Our approach to feeding back on pupil work is as follows:

- Pupils will be assessed continuously during online lessons and verbal feedback will be given at every opportunity.
- Written feedback will be given in various forms, for example where completed work is e-mailed to parents, this will be assessed and feedback may be via e-mail or verbally via Zoom. For other learning platforms where work is set, such as on Mymaths, feedback will be given via the written feedback option in response to work set and completed.

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:

- Zoom sessions will be time-tabled so that your child has the opportunity to work one to one with staff as well as in small group sessions. Teachers are happy to discuss any changes to your child's timetable, including additional one to one sessions in order to help your child access remote education.
- Comprehensive work-packs will be sent home so that parents can help to support their child. Teaching staff and support staff will support parents and carers in helping your child with the activities sent home whenever necessary and will provide bespoke activity packs to try and encourage your child's engagement, carefully designed at a level that is accessible to your child.

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. However, we will do our best, within the limitations we have with staff time to put the full remote learning offer in place for children.

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

Home education packs will be sent as usual and your child will receive a timetable of one to one Zoom lessons from teaching staff and support staff. The timings of Zoom sessions will be agreed with parents and teachers. Depending on the length of the self-isolation Art packs of Craft projects etc. might still be sent out.