

Senior School 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 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.

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

Pupils will follow normal timetables, and all lessons, instructions and resources or directions to resources will be on Google Classroom. Most lessons will be taught via Google Meet.

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 teach the same curriculum remotely as we do in school wherever possible and appropriate. However, we have needed to make some adaptations in terms of the order of topics in some subjects, for example science because practical work needs to be carried out in the classroom.

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:

Key Stage 3, 4 and 5

Pupils have lessons from 8.30am to 3.30pm (maximum eight 40 minute periods) every day, Monday to Friday and virtually all lessons are taught via Google Meet. The Sixth Form also carry out 5-6 hours of additional, assessed independent work every week, and Fourth Form to Upper Fifth are given Prep when appropriate, to ensure 'as expected' progress through schemes of work.

Accessing Remote Education

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

All lessons are on Google Classroom – with resources, and instructions.

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

If a pupil has difficulties accessing Google Classroom, lessons are sent, and work submitted by email.

How will my child be taught remotely?

Virtually all lessons are taught via Google Meet. Work is submitted and assessed via Google Classroom.

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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 is expected that pupils register with their tutor at 8.30am every morning, and attend all lessons via Google Meet.

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

If there are concerns about a pupil's engagement with lessons, parents will receive a non-satis, and then when appropriate, a phone call or email from the pupil's tutor and/or housemaster/mistress.

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

We assess a pupil's work via Google Classroom – as pupils are expected to submit work via this learning platform. Work is monitored very regularly, and there is some form of assessment every week.

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?

EAL and LD pupils receive EAL and LD lessons via Google Meet and Google Classroom.

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

If the majority of pupils are in school, then any pupil not in school is expected subject to individual circumstances to attend each lesson via Google Meet, and if not, complete all work posted on Google Classroom.