

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.

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. Hartlepool School will focus on Core Subjects of Math's English Science and ICT which will also be supplemented with additional vocational subjects

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

Following feedback from the previous lockdown printed work packs will be provided to those parents who request, these can also be emailed.

As individuals isolate school will support those pupils remotely this will vary depending on the needs of each individual and will be assessed case by case.

In the event of a whole school closure Hartlepool school will again provide work packs by email or hard copies delivered. Contact will then be made to schedule online support / contact. Again this will be done on an individual basis to meet need.

Hartlepool School is aware of pupils who may not have access to IT at home and paper based resources will be sent home to complete. We may be able to support a pupil with loaning them a laptop if 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?

- We teach the same curriculum remotely as we do in school, wherever possible and appropriate.
- We may need to make some adaptations in some subjects however pupils will have access to the same curriculum as they would 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:

Key Stage 3 and 4	Four hours
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Accessing remote education

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

In the event of a full school closure Hartlepool School will deliver remote sessions via Zoom. Links and resources will be sent out by Hartlepool School.

School is aware of pupils who may not have access to IT at home and paper based resources will be sent home to complete. We may be able to support a pupil with loaning them a laptop if necessary.

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:

- School is aware of pupils who may not have access to IT at home and paper based resources will be sent home to complete.
- Any printed materials can be collected from school or dropped off at a pupil's home by school staff or posted out.
- Any completed work can be returned to school or arrangements can be made to collect it.

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?

- Encourage your child to complete the assigned work.
- Communicate with school on a regular basis with regards to any concerns and if your child is unwell.
- Consider appropriate working conditions for your child.
- Support your child's participation and engagement with remote learning each day.
- We ask that parents refrain from recording or taking pictures of their child working online during live teaching sessions with other pupils. We understand and appreciate that parents may want to celebrate their child's accomplishments but we need to safeguard all of our young people and teaching staff.
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How will you check whether my child is engaging with their work and how will I be informed if there are concerns?

- Your child's engagement with remote learning will be checked on a daily basis.
- Completed work will be marked, assessed and returned to the pupil so that they are aware of their achievements. Staff can email feedback or phone them directly.
- Parents will be informed if a pupil is not engaging in the work and further support will be put in place to encourage their motivation to continue to learn.

Remote education for self-isolating pupils

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

Any pupil who is self-isolating will be able to access all the teaching resources in the same way to any other pupil.

As individuals isolate school will support those pupils remotely this will vary depending on the needs of each individual and will be assessed case by case.

In the main Work Packs will be provided with contact and support available.