Highfield J and I School Remote Learning Plan



The current situation in schools is challenging and we appreciate all parental support in engaging with the Covid-19 testing where needed. At Highfield, we don't want any of our children to miss out on learning unnecessarily. It's really important that children are continuing to learn when they are unable to be in school due to the current Covid-19 related problems. In cases where children are symptomatic, unwell and off school as a result children would not be expected to engage in home learning until they were feeling well again. The focus for these children, as is always the case with absence related to illness, is on getting better. However, there are other circumstances which may arise where work needs to be set by school linked to isolation.

In order to ensure that learning is continued, irrespective of lockdown and self-isolation, Highfield has developed the following plan. We are determined to support all of our families in being able to engage in home learning so are providing online learning for those who are able to access it and hard copies of learning for those people who cannot.

Home learning will be offered in the following situations:

- 1. An individual is self-isolating because of a positive test within the household;
- 2. A group of children are self-isolating because of a case of coronavirus in the bubble;
- 3. A whole bubble or cohort is self-isolating because of an outbreak of coronavirus.
- 4. A complete lockdown closing schools to all pupils who do not qualify for the keyworker provision

The plan complies with the expectations and principles outlined in the DFE guidance for schols

Software and online platforms

Within all plans, teachers will set appropriate work in-line with our current curriculum; online resources, web pages and paper resources to supplement the learning that they are providing you with. There will be a combination of live teaching; pre-recorded content (demonstrations, tutorials, modelling); independent learning for children to access and paper-based learning for those still unable to access the online learning.

Children will remain in contact with their class teacher through MS Teams and their allocated year group email address. School staff will make daily calls to children unable to access remote learning to ensure that they are supported and accessing their paper based learning.

MS Teams will support school in offering online learning with the opportunity for the children to communicate with their teacher through the class chat function and also via video sessions. This will be in the format of live lessons, question and answer sessions, feedback and tutorials where your child's teacher teaches them a new skill or piece of

knowledge. MS Teams will enable class teachers to continue reading aloud to pupils e.g. sharing their current class text for Literacy or a class assembly. A daily story reading session will take place as part of the provision.

We have also set up a year group email address for each year group. This allows for easy communication between parents and teachers for the duration of any closure. If you wish to use this, you just need to put your child's name and class in the subject line so that their teacher sees it. The school closure account that has been up and running since March is now inactive.

In the event of any form of isolation and loss of learning caused by Coronavirus, parents must understand that engagement in home learning is compulsory, as is the expectation that Highfield makes that provision available and accessible to all. However, if children themselves are too ill to attend then they should not be expected to engage in home learning.

All children have received logins and passwords for MS Teams. These have also been shared with parents.

Worksheets and Practical Resources

We have prepared paper packs for all year groups to ensure that home learning is immediately available for those individuals needing to isolate. If a child is isolated from school i.e. the child is sent home from school to either receive a test or self-isolate as someone in the household is being tested, we will endeavour for them to leave school with a pack of work. This ensures that children have immediate access to home learning, continuing their learning despite the need to isolate.

Paper packs provided replicate the content that is being delivered online. They span the entire curriculum, not just core subjects. A new weekly pack is issued each week for children who are not in school but are unable to access learning online. Daily wellbeing calls are made which will also offer support with learning in paper packs.

Remote Learning

The initial response to any isolation will be to provide children with home learning materials alongside their class stationery pack (this might need to be delivered). In the case of whole cohort isolation, resources will be uploaded to MS teams.

National lockdown closing schools to most pupils		
School role:	Parental role:	
A full, remote learning offer will be made available to all pupils, combining the approaches mentioned above.	Support your child in engaging with the learning provided by school.	
Regular feedback from practitioners throughout the school day	Contact school with any concerns or support that you need	
Remote learning content to cover the full range of curriculum areas across the course of the week.	Keep school updated with any COVID related illness	
Contact details for your child's year group/email contact for a member of the SLT	Communicate with your children's staff to share work and seek information.	
Food provision for children eligible for free school meals	Collect meals provided if requested	
Support for all families to access Teams. This was done through parent guides in home languages and a video to show you how to log on which is also on the school website. We have shown children in school how to access TEAMs and we are supporting families on the phone.	Encourage your children to log on and support them with learning where possible. Communicate with school any difficulties that you are experiencing.	
AUP for home learning and safeguarding expectations shared with children and parents	Monitor your children's online learning and alert school to any concerns that arise.	

Year group emails

receptionhomework@hifield.bham.sch.uk	Reception Team	Please use the email addresses opposite to communicate with staff from your children's year group and to share and submit your children's learning.
y1homework@hifield.bham.sch.uk	Year One Team	
y2homework@hifield.bham.sch.uk	Year Two Team	
y3homework@hifield.bham.sch.uk	Year Three Team	
y4homework@hifield.bham.sch.uk	Year Four Team	
y5homework@hifield.bham.sch.uk	Year Five Team	
y6homework@hifield.bham.sch.uk	Year 6 Team	
nurture@hifield.bham.sch.uk	Mrs. Dunkley	