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**St Martins School
Remote Provision Policy
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Remote education provision: information for parents

This information is intended to provide clarity and transparency to students and parents or carers about what to expect from remote education if local restrictions require entire cohorts (or bubbles) to remain at home.

For details of what to expect where individual students are self-isolating, please see the final section of this page.

The remote curriculum: what is taught to students at home

A student'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.

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

Pastoral staff will be in contact and a home learning pack will be sent immediately if your child needs to isolate. This will be provided directly to students, before they leave the site, if they become unwell whilst in school.

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.
- Students will be able to live stream into English and Maths lessons with their class group Monday – Thursday. Resources for this learning will be uploaded to the files section on TEAMS.
- Students will have a home learning pack containing activities for IT, Science, PE and foundation subjects in line with themes studied in school.
- PSHE will be through a live TEAMS meeting each afternoon, where students can have social interaction with their peers and staff team, alongside continuing to study this subject.
- A celebration/feedback event with the pastoral class will be live streamed each Friday morning to celebrate students achievements and work from the week.

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 students broadly the following number of hours each day:

English and Maths lessons will be up to 45 minutes each.

The PSHE and celebration event will be up to 45 minutes each.

Home learning packs, which will involve physical education challenges, IT, Science and foundation subject learning, will take up between 1-2 hours, depending on students needs.

Accessing remote education

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

Microsoft TEAMS.

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 students may not have suitable online access at home. We take the following approaches to support those students to access remote education:

- Laptops are available and will be issued to all students who do not have a suitable device at home.
- Routers and dongles are available and will be issued to all those who do not have internet access.
- Printed materials will be sent/delivered home.
- Students work will be reviewed individually with some students or through the pastoral group meetings where appropriate.

How will my child be taught remotely?

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

- live teaching (online 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)
- commercially available websites supporting the teaching of specific subjects or areas, including video clips or sequences

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?

In this section, please set out briefly:

- expectations of parental support, for example, setting routines to support your child's education would be welcomed and supported by pastoral staff.

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

- There will be close communication, with you about your child's level of engagement.
- We will work together with you to address those students who are struggling to engage.

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

Our approach to feeding back on student work is as follows:

- Feedback will be given to students individually and through pastoral group sessions.
- Feedback will be given verbally.

Additional support for students with particular needs

- Consideration will be given to the time that individual students are expected to engage. We recognise remote learning is very challenging for some of our students.
- Bespoke arrangements such as phone calls, email, outreach 1:1 socially distanced walks/bike rides, outreach 1:1 socially distanced doorstep 'chats'
- Support about the well-being of students and family members can be found on our website - <https://www.stmartinsschoolderby.co.uk/covid-19/useful-well-being-websites/>

Remote education for self-isolating students

Where individual students 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 students both at home and in school.

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

Pastoral staff will be in contact and a home learning pack will be sent immediately if your child needs to isolate. This will be provided directly to students, before they leave the site, if they become unwell whilst in school.