



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. Daily learning is posted to the Seesaw learning platform for pupils at home to access from their first day of absence.

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 endeavour to teach the same curriculum remotely as we do in school wherever possible and appropriate. However, we have needed to make some adaptations in some subjects. For example, in Design Technology or Science where specific learning resources are required, we may restructure the curriculum to accommodate for aspects of learning requiring minimal resources being taught earlier in the year, and other elements of the curriculum delayed until later in the school year. This may also be the case for subjects such as RSE where this work is best covered through face to face teaching 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:

EYFS	We provide daily phonics, maths and a variety of activities across the curriculum linking with our current topic area. We encourage practical and outdoor learning experiences rather than solely paper based and digital learning. Staff will also share a story time session with their children.
Key Stage 1	We have planned for a minimum of 3 hours of work per day. This will include: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Read Write Inc Phonics sessions• Maths• Literacy activity• Story Time session• Topic work• Live SEMH lesson with class teacher
Key Stage 2	We have planned for a minimum of 4 hours of work per day. This will include <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Read Write Inc Phonics sessions (where appropriate)• Maths• Literacy activity• Reading activity• Topic work• Live SEMH session with class teacher

Accessing remote education

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

Daily learning is posted to the web based Seesaw platform. All pupils, from F1 to Y6 have a login. This platform offers two way communication between staff and pupils so as to enable immediate feedback and support. Staff are available on this platform all day to support both pupils and parents. As we appreciate that not all families will be able to work to a specific timetable we post pre-recorded videos and activities that can be accessed at any time of day. In addition 'live' sessions are planned, in advance, with all children encouraged to attend where they can. This includes a whole school virtual assembly.

When school is open and children who are absent due to isolation restrictions, daily learning is provided by the class teacher on Seesaw that matches the learning in school as closely as possible.

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:

- We will loan laptops to pupils. If you require a laptop, please contact school and we can arrange for this.
- We will endeavour to lend devices that enable an internet connection if pupils do not have access to the internet at home. Again please contact school and we will arrange this at the earliest convenience. We can offer data packages and routers, working with you to identify the best way forward to support individual circumstances.
- If other additional/special arrangements need to be made to ensure every pupil is accessing remote learning, we will do everything we can to support families in our community.
- Where paper based resources are requested, to support the work online, we can arrange for these to be printed for you to collect. Where families are isolating, or have difficulty accessing school, we can arrange for these to be delivered.

How will my child be taught remotely?

At Athersley South Primary our approach to remote teaching and learning will be varied and utilise different approaches so as to support learning across all ages and abilities. These will include:

- Pre-recorded teaching; this may be videos and audio by the class teacher and may also include Oak National Academy, Read Write Inc (Ruth Miskin videos) and White Rose Maths videos/ lessons.
- Smart notebook and Powerpoints with audio explanations to model learning.
- Commercially available websites supporting the teaching of specific subjects or areas, including video clips or sequences.
- Long-term project work and/or internet research activities.
- All pupils (Key Stage dependent) also have access to their usual online learning portals including Spelling Shed and TT Rockstars.
- Online worksheets/activities in accordance with the curriculum, to mirror what would have been taught in school.
- Printed paper packs, text books and reading books pupils have at home (e.g. maths homework books)

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?

- At ASPS we expect every child to engage with all remote learning as they would engage with their learning within the school day. We would encourage all pupils to participate in daily reading and complete their literacy and numeracy work every day at minimum. We expect for work to be completed to the best of their child's ability and submitted to the teacher for marking and feedback. We understand that school work may need to work around the working day for parents and it may not work for your family to follow a set timetable for the day. We encourage all children and families to do their best and do what you can. Support may be requested (and is encouraged) to aid with the completion of work set and teachers will be available throughout the regular school hours to assist with this.
- We would encourage parents to establish a daily routine to support your child's education wherever possible. We appreciate some days are more difficult than others for families and work commitments can hinder support for younger children from parents. However, pupils in Key Stage Two will generally be able to access their remote learning independently and have means to contact the teacher through the comments on Seesaw if they need further support.

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

- Staff will monitor each child's engagement with their remote learning on a daily basis. For those pupils completing their work on the online platform this can be done instantly.
- If a child has not completed their home learning, or is regularly not engaging on Seesaw, we will contact parents via a phone call to find out what school can do to support and to share school expectations of home learning. Where engagement with home learning becomes more of a concern, the Headteacher will contact parents/carers via email or letter to work with them on what can be done further. In the event of continued lack of engagement with home learning, we will contact the Education Welfare Officer. Children who are not taking part in Education can be considered Children Missing from Education and this has to be reported to the Local Authority.

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

Feedback can take many forms and may not always mean 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:

- We endeavour to respond to all work posted by pupils in a timely manner. When this work is posted in the evenings, any feedback would not be until the next school day. We will 'like' or 'comment' on pieces of work through the Seesaw application, therefore all completed work needs to be posted on Seesaw. Each child should receive a personalised, developmental feedback via audio/Zoom/SeeSaw on an aspect of their learning for that day. If additional support is needed, parents can contact school by sending a message on Seesaw, or by contacting school and the class teacher will contact you when they are able to. Children can also feedback to the teacher during any remote 'live learning' sessions.
- Teachers will regularly respond back to work set between 9am and 4pm daily. To manage teacher workload and personal circumstances, this may be on an evening as well as during the school day.

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?

Wherever possible we would encourage children with SEND to continue to attend school. However, we acknowledge that in individual circumstances this may not be possible. In relation to remote learning, 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:

- All pupils with an EHCP are entitled to a full time place in school in our Keyworker/Vulnerable provision.
- For all other parents of a pupil with SEND, the class teacher will make reasonable adjustments to their daily learning as appropriate and provide the appropriate resources. If your child is struggling to engage with remote learning and you feel you need additional support from school, then contact school at the earliest convenience, we will try to work with you to make further amendments so that the remote learning is as accessible as possible for your child. Arrangements will be made on a case by case basis and with the specific needs of each child at the centre of what we do. We will endeavor to ensure that children will continue to receive any personalised interventions via Zoom. For parents of younger children also, if you are struggling with any aspect of remote learning, then do contact school and we will do our best to support you.

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.

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

In order to ensure individual pupils self-isolating are taught a planned and well-sequenced curriculum with meaningful and ambitious work each day in a number of different subjects, we endeavour to reflect the learning in school with the learning at home as closely as we are able to. This will continue to be via the seesaw platform. Work will be set in daily blocks so as to provide at least 3/4 hours for each child every day. When we are restricted by resource for example, we will provide a different activity related to the subject.

As class teachers are teaching throughout the school day, it may not be possible to respond to work posted on Seesaw immediately. The Class Teacher and Learning Support Assistant will endeavour to be in touch at some point in the school day and if not at the end of the school day to provide feedback.

Should a child/ren not engage with their online learning, then procedures outlined above will be followed so as to make every effort to ensure that education is not missed.