

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.

The plan complies with the expectations and principles outlined in the DFE document [Guidance for Full Opening of Schools](#).

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

Children will remain in contact with their class teacher through MS Teams and their allocated year group email address.

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 as the remote learning offer grows over time. This will be in the format of 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.

We have also set up a year group email address for each year group. This allows for easy communication between parents and teachers once the home learning fully begins. 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.

In preparation for home-learning, parents and children will receive logins and passwords for MS Teams

[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.

The work packs should be basic skills work that would be relevant at any stage of the year e.g. arithmetic, spelling, reading, writing (with a visual prompt) and handwriting. If required, stationery can also be provided by school to ensure there are no barriers to beginning this work.

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.

Pupil needs to isolate because someone in their household is symptomatic or tests positive	
<i>School role:</i>	<i>Parental role:</i>
<p>Paper based home learning packs will be provided by school. These can be returned in one of two ways: in paper form at the end of the isolation period or electronically via the class email address.</p> <p>If assistance or support is needed, an email to the class email address allows for direct contact with your child's class teacher/ phase leader. They will reply as quickly as they possibly can within the hours of their school working day (8:30am-3:30pm)</p>	<p>Support your child in engaging with the learning provided by school.</p> <p>Parents to ensure a test has been taken and to make sure that test results are communicated quickly to enquiry@hifield.bham.sch.uk</p> <p>If child is entitled to free-school meals, packed lunches can be provided by the school kitchen. These will be available for contact-free collection from the main office at the time specified in your letter</p>
A group of children are self-isolating because of a case of coronavirus potentially affecting their class bubble	
<i>School role:</i>	<i>Parental role:</i>
<p>Paper based home learning packs will be provided by school to allow home learning to begin instantly and to support those who may have limited access to devices/wifi. These can be returned in one of two ways: in paper form at the end of the isolation period or electronically via the year group email address.</p> <p>The children will receive work via MS teams from their class teacher. This will be set via the 'posts' function on their class channel. Any messages written on the posts function are visible to all class members (for any further information/support with MS Teams please see your parent handout)</p> <p>This work may include links to Oak National Academy or other online learning resources. Expectations for the tasks which children need to be complete will be shared by the relevant class teacher. Work completed can be submitted via MS teams (visible to all class members) or separately via the class email address.</p>	<p>Support your child in engaging with the learning provided by school.</p> <p>If requested by school, or if your child develops symptoms during their period of self-isolation, please take your child for a test and communicate the results quickly to enquiry@hifield.bham.sch.uk</p> <p>If child is entitled to free-school meals, packed lunches can be provided by the school kitchen. These will be available for contact-free collection from the main office at the time specified in your letter</p>

Year group emails

receptionhomework@hifield.bham.sch.uk	Reception Team	
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	