

Birchfield Primary School Remote Learning Plan. January 21

At Birchfield, we don't want any of our children to miss out on learning unnecessarily and aim to support all of our families in being able to engage in home learning. We will provide online learning for all pupils as well as paper packs of learning for those people who cannot learn online although we will work with parents to try and support the vast majority of pupils to access remote learning.

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 bubble or cohort is self-isolating because of an outbreak of coronavirus.
3. A national lockdown

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

Software and online platforms

Teachers will set appropriate work in-line with curriculum and DFE guidance. Children will be taught using live teaching although at times there may be some pre-recorded content used. Paper-based learning can be provided for those still unable to access the online learning.

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

Using MS Teams, class teachers will model, instruct and demonstrate to children the learning that they need to follow. Teachers will be able to read aloud to pupils e.g. sharing the current class text for Literacy or a class assembly and will enable children to ask questions and to receive feedback. Children will be set work following the teacher's instructions and explanations and encouraged to complete this independently. Teachers and teacher assistants will provide additional support to pupils as needed.

We have a year group email address for each year group. This allows for 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.

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 Birchfield makes that provision available and accessible to all. Of course, if children themselves are too ill to attend then they should not be expected to engage in home learning. School should be informed in this case via enquiry@birchfld.bham.sch.uk.

All children have received logins and passwords for MS Teams. These have been shared with parents. Any difficulties with log ins should be emailed to enquiry@birchfld.bham.sch.uk.

Worksheets and Practical Resources

We will prepare paper packs for all year groups that can be shared with pupils quickly and easily. This ensures that children have immediate access to home learning, continuing their learning despite the need to isolate.

Paper packs provided replicate much of the content that is being delivered online. New packs will be made as needed for children who are unable to access learning online. Our aim is that the majority of children access at least some of the live learning that is available. We recognise that pupils sharing devices may not access all content and may supplement the live learning with use of paper learning packs.

Timetables for parents and children are available on the school website.

National lockdown closing schools to most pupils	
<i>School role:</i>	<i>Parental role:</i>
<p>A full, remote learning offer will be made available to all pupils, combining the approaches mentioned above.</p> <p>Regular feedback from practitioners will be available to pupils.</p> <p>Remote learning content will cover a full range of curriculum areas across the course of the week.</p> <p>Contact details for your child’s year group/email contact for a member of the SLT will be provided.</p> <p>The school will respond to parent enquiries that are sent via email.</p> <p>Food provision will be made available as needed for children eligible for free school meals.</p>	<p>Support your child in engaging with the learning provided by school.</p> <p>Support the behaviour expectations set out by the school and the school staff.</p> <p>Contact school with any concerns or support that you need</p> <p>Keep school updated with any COVID related illness</p> <p>Collect meals provided if requested</p>

Please use the following email addresses for advice or help with learning:

- Reception rhomework@birchfld.bham.sch.uk
- Year 1 y1homework@birchfld.bham.sch.uk
- Year 2 y2homework@birchfld.bham.sch.uk
- Year 3 y3homework@birchfld.bham.sch.uk
- Year 4 y4homework@birchfld.bham.sch.uk
- Year 5 y5homework@birchfld.bham.sch.uk
- Year 6 y6homework@birchfld.bham.sch.uk

Please also regularly check the school website in the ‘news’ section and the ‘home learning’ section for more information.