ST. ANTHONY'S SCHOOL
Remote Learning Policy

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In September 2020, all our classes returned to full-time education following the Covid-19 closure in March 2020. September 2022, the majority of our children now have an uninterrupted experience. In the event that an individual child, a class bubble, or indeed the whole school, will need to self-isolate for a period of time, there is a contingency plan for remote learning so that all children can continue with their education.

Remote learning will be shared with families when they are absent due to authorised COVID19 related absence.

This meets the expectations set out in the DfE guidance 'Remote Education Support' found [here](#).

The school will use the Home Learning Zone tab on its website for remote learning. On this page will be important information regarding remote learning during absence from school

If a child does not have access to a computer/laptop and/or the internet, the school will do all it can to support children and if necessary provide paper packs of learning. Parents will be reminded to make the school aware of any barriers to accessing remote learning.

Overview

In the first instance, individual children will be directed to the relevant year/class group page of the Home Learning Zone of the school website which contains a variety of resources and activities for families to access. The resources will be relevant to what pupils would be covering in school.

For those parents who would like to structure their child's day with a range of activities, there are a number of ideas and examples timetable by following this link:

www.st-ants.org/moodle30/course/view.php?id=30#section-1

Then clicking on whole school resources.

Other resources

We may use recorded video to provide story time, instructional videos and as well as other school subscriptions listed on the school website.

Providing feedback

Pupils or their parents/carers can send any completed work/photographs to teachers via email. Work will receive an acknowledgement from a teacher or other school staff. This will not aim to replicate feedback on strengths and development in learning that parents/carers might expect when the school is open and working normally.

Contact with pupils/ parents

Parents/carers are able to contact the school via telephone, the school office and class email addresses. Where a pupil is self-isolating on medical ground for a significant period of time, contact will be made via telephone/email on a weekly basis to monitor learning and provide support if needed. Pupils identified as vulnerable will be contacted by Mrs Davies, Pastoral Manager on a weekly basis and support offered as necessary.

Safeguarding

Please refer to Child Protection and Safeguarding Policy.

Data protection

When accessing personal data, all staff members will: only use their official school email account and connect to the school network using their school laptop only. Staff members are unlikely to need to collect and/or share personal data. However, if it does become necessary, staff are reminded to collect and/or share as little personal data as possible online. All data collection will be compliant with GDPR guidelines.

Keeping devices secure

All staff will take appropriate steps to ensure their devices remain secure. Computers should be locked if left inactive for a period of time. Operating systems must be up to date – always install the latest updates.

Monitoring arrangements

This policy will be reviewed by the Leadership Team/Governors as and when updates to home/remote learning are provided by the Government.

Links with other policies

This policy is linked to our:

- Teaching and Learning policy
- Safeguarding and Child protection policy
- Data protection policy and privacy notices
- ICT and internet acceptable use policy including Virtual Classroom Guidance/Zoom Meeting Guidance
- Internet safety policy