

A Guide For Parents/Carers (Year 1 - Year 6)

What to expect from remote learning?

What school will do:

All schools have a duty to provide a good quality of education to all pupils, whether they are physically attending school or learning remotely. We are fully aware at St George's C of E School that every family situation is unique, and our remote learning offer is designed to support all families whether children have access to digital devices or not. For that reason, the units of work, although planned with digital elements, will have paper hard copies for all children to use and their outcomes will be almost the same. Work completed remotely will be very similar to that completed by children in school – the curriculum coverage will be exactly the same.

Work provided for children will cover a wide range of the curriculum, with a particular focus on reading, writing and maths and is designed to last around 3 hours per day in total. Work will be planned in two-week blocks of work. Every two weeks you will receive:

- A timetable – this is a guideline. If you have online access, children should be available at 9am and again at their designated “feedback” time but between these times, work can be done in any order – this should particularly support where siblings are sharing devices.
- Paper booklets – these support both the teaching of new learning, include instructions of what to do and sometimes give children space to write their answers. An exercise book was also provided in the first work delivery for children to record their work in.
- A reading book (you can arrange to change these by contacting the school office)

We plan to make hard copies of resources available for collection at the following times:

	Ready for collection:	For children to complete between:
Pack 1	7th – 8th January	11th – 22nd January
Pack 2	21st – 22nd January	25th January – 5th February
Pack 3	4th – 5th February	8th - 26th February This will include half-term week (when no work will be expected) At present the earliest schools will open fully is Monday 22 nd February. However, work will be delivered and planned in case lockdown is extended.

How you can help:

We expect that families will support their children in the following ways:

- Encourage children to complete work daily
- Provide a space to work – preferably sat at a table in a quiet area with few distractions
- If possible, provide a digital device, with WIFI to access Teams. All digital explanations of activities will be put on Teams daily.
- Support your child, where necessary to upload/send, work completed onto Teams
- Keep any completed work on paper safe, so that it can be returned to school at an appropriate time
- Where possible, enable your child to access Teams at the dedicated “feedback” slot twice a week
- Where digital devices are not available, enable you child to talk to his/ her teacher when he/ she calls to discuss their work

What teachers will do:

If children at home have a question, he/ she may write this in the Teams chat and teachers will answer as soon as practically possible. Children at home should use the morning, wherever possible, to complete work set.

During the afternoon, teachers will contact children working from home. This will be done through Teams. Children will join, in groups, during their allocated time (see timetable sent with work packs). Teachers will ensure that all cameras are switched off. At a later date, we may try turning teachers' cameras on, so that children can see into school, but teachers cannot see into homes.

During these feedback sessions teachers will:

- Ask how children are and what they have been doing at home
- Remind them of rules of staying safe online and how to behave in an online meeting
- Let children know how they need to respond or get their teachers attention
- Explain what part of the learning they will be focusing on
- Provide any further necessary teaching to support children or to prepare them for future activities. Teachers will show images and videos that will help explain what children have been learning.

Where families are unable to access Teams, teachers will phone children to talk about their work.

Please remember Teams will only be open for teachers and pupils to communicate between 9am and 3pm each day.

Teachers will make records of children's attendance at sessions and their engagement with work set. It is **VERY** important that all children complete work to the best of their ability in order that they continue to make progress in their learning.

If at any time, you are concerned about your child, or require advice please email your child's teacher at:

year1homelearning@stgprimary.org

year2homelearning@stgprimary.org

year3homelearning@stgprimary.org

year4homelearning@stgprimary.org

year5homelearning@stgprimary.org

year6homelearning@stgprimary.org

Please be aware, teachers will only be able to read and respond to emails within their wider working hours (usually between 8 – 8.30am; 3.30 - 5pm)

We ask for your support, patience and understanding for the next few weeks as we are all learning together!

Thankyou in advance for supporting your child's learning, whether they are at school or accessing their learning from home.

Kind regards



Head of School