St Ives Infant School



Remote Education Policy

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1. Aims

This Remote Education Policy aims to:

- Ensure consistency in the approach to remote learning for all pupils (Inc. SEND) who aren't in school through use of quality Online and offline resources and teaching videos
- Provide clear expectations for members of the school community with regards to delivery high quality interactive remote learning
- Include continuous delivery of the school curriculum, as well as support of pastoral, Health and Well-Being and Parent support
- Consider continued education for staff and parents (e.g. CPD, Supervision and Meet the Teacher)
- Support effective communication between the school and families and support attendance

2. Who is this policy applicable to?

- A child is absent because they are awaiting test results and the household is required to self-isolate. The rest of their school bubble are attending school and being taught as normal.
- A child's whole bubble is not permitted to attend school because they, or another member of their bubble, have tested positive for Covid-19.

3. Content and Tools to Deliver This Remote Education Plan

Resources to deliver this Remote Education Plan include:

- Online tools for EYFS KS1 (Teams, Online videos via website), as well as for staff CPD and parents sessions.
- Use of Recorded video for start of day registration, instructional videos and assemblies
- Phone calls home
- Printed learning packs
- Physical materials such as story books and writing tools
- Use of BBC Bitesize, Oak Academy, phonics play, Big Cat online reading
- The detailed remote learning planning and resources to deliver this policy can be found here: <u>https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/primary</u> <u>https://www.thenational.academy/</u> <u>https://www.phonicsplay.co.uk/resources</u> <u>https://collins.co.uk/pages/big-cat-ebooks</u>
- Model Timetable and structure for remote learning
- Downloadable Printable Documents
- Curriculum resources
- Teacher Code of Conduct for Phone calls, Video conferencing and Recorded Video
- User Agreements for Google classroom

4. Home and School Partnership

St Ives Infant & Nursery School is committed to working in close partnership with families and recognises each family is unique and because of this remote learning will look different for different families in order to suit their individual needs.

St Ives Infant & Nursery School will provide an online training session and induction for parents on how to use phonics play and Big Cat online reading

Where possible, it is beneficial for young people to maintain a regular and familiar routine. St Ives Infant & Nursery School would recommend that each 'school day' maintains structure

We would encourage parents to support their children's work, including finding an appropriate place to work and, to the best of their ability, support pupils with work encouraging them to work with good levels of concentration.

Every effort will be made by staff to ensure that work is set promptly. Should accessing work be an issue, parents should contact school promptly and alternative solutions may be available. These will be discussed on case-to-case basis.

5. Roles and responsibilities

<u>Teachers</u>

We will provide a training session and induction for new staff on how to use Google Classroom.

When providing remote learning, teachers must be available between 8.30am and 3.30pm If they are unable to work for any reason during this time, for example due to sickness or caring for a dependent, they should report this using the normal absence procedure.

When providing remote learning, teachers are responsible for:

Setting work:

- Teachers will set work for the pupils in their classes.
- The work set should follow the usual timetable for the class had they been in school, wherever possible
- All Teachers will be setting work on Monday morning.

Providing feedback on work:

- Reading, writing and maths work, all completed work submitted by 1pm to be looked at by the teacher who will endeavour to respond and comment by 5pm.
- All curriculum tasks submitted by 3.30pm and teachers will comment at the end of the week.

Keeping in touch with pupils who aren't in school and their parents:

- If there is a concern around the level of engagement of a pupil/s parents should be contacted via phone to access whether school intervention can assist engagement.
- All parent/carer emails should come through the school admin account secretary@st-ives-inf.cornwall.sch.uk
- Any complaints or concerns shared by parents or pupils should be reported to a member of SLT– for any safeguarding concerns, refer immediately to the DSL

Teaching Assistants

- Teaching assistants must be available between their usual hours of work
- If they are unable to work for any reason during this time, for example due to sickness or caring for a dependent, they should report this using the normal absence procedure.
- During the school day, teaching assistant must complete tasks as directed by a member of the SLT.

Senior Leaders

Alongside any teaching responsibilities, senior leaders are responsible for:

- Co-ordinating the remote learning approach across the school inc daily monitoring of engagement.
- Monitoring the effectiveness of remote learning through regular meetings with teachers and subject leaders, reviewing work set or reaching out for feedback from pupils and parents
- Monitoring the security of remote learning systems, including data protection and safeguarding considerations

Designated safeguarding lead

The DSL is responsible for managing and dealing with all safeguarding concerns. For further information, please see the Safeguarding and Child Protection Policy.

IT Technicians

IT technicians are responsible for:

- Fixing issues with systems used to set and collect work
- Helping staff with any technical issues they're experiencing
- Reviewing the security of remote learning systems and flagging any data protection breaches to the data protection officer
- Assisting pupils and parents with accessing the internet or devices

The SENCO

- Liaising with the ICT technicians to ensure that the technology used for remote learning is accessible to all pupils and that reasonable adjustments are made where required.
- Ensuring that pupils with EHC plans continue to have their needs met while learning remotely, and liaising with the head and other organisations to make any alternate arrangements for pupils with EHC plans and IHPs
- Identifying the level of support

Pupils and parents

<u>Staff can expect pupils learning remotely to:</u>

- Complete work to the deadline set by teachers
- Seek help if they need it, from teachers
- Alert teachers if they're not able to complete work

Staff can expect parents with children learning remotely to:

- Make the school aware if their child is sick or otherwise can't complete work
- Seek help from the school if they need it
- Be respectful when making any complaints or concerns known to staff

Governors

The Governing Body are responsible for:

- Monitoring the school's approach to providing remote learning to ensure education remains as high quality as possible
- Ensuring that staff are certain that remote learning systems are appropriately secure, for both data protection and safeguarding reasons

6. Links with other policies and development plans

This policy is linked to our:

- Safeguarding
- Behaviour policy
- Child protection policy
- Data protection policy and privacy notices
- Online safety acceptable use policy
- Digital and hardware Development Planning
- Code of Conduct for Phone calls, Video conferencing and recorded video
- End User Agreements for Google Classroom