



Park View Community School

HOME LEARNING
Information for Parents/Carers
WHAT TO EXPECT IF YOUR FAMILY CHILD HAS TO ISOLATE

What happened if someone in my household tests positive for COVID-19?

You must all isolate in your home for the period of time advised by NHS test and trace and this means that your child must learn at home.

How will my child access the work from home?

As soon as you inform school that your child is in isolation due to COVID-19, a staff member will drop a learning pack to your home. The staff member will phone you to let you know when to expect them. They will knock on your door and leave the pack on your doorstep (or put it through the letter box if possible). Your child should then complete the tasks in the pack, working through a few each day.

What about online learning like in national lockdown?

If your child is the only child isolating in his/her class or bubble, the staff will be teaching the rest of the children in school therefore uploading work for an individual will not be possible for the bulk of the child's work. However, online work will be accessible in class 'homework' form and your child's class teacher or another staff member will contact you to tell you when and how to access this.

What happens if we do not have a device or internet access?

The school will support families if they are lacking in devices or data. Laptops can be issued to those needing them by emailing admin@parkview.manchester.sch.uk. This is the same if families do not have broadband. School can support with data vouchers and 4G routers if needed. Again, please send an email to admin@parkview.manchester.sch.uk with details of your requirements and a staff member will contact you to discuss your needs.

What if my child gets stuck and needs help?

There are several ways in which your child (or you on behalf of your child) can access support:

- via the chat facility on the homework page
- when the homework is uploaded (a question can be typed)
- via the class email
- during the call your teacher makes weekly (or more frequently in some circumstances)

Will my child learn the same as if he/she were in school?

As much as is possible, your child will have access to the same curriculum as the children learning in school and the paper pack will be tailored to meet your child's individual needs in reading, writing and maths.

Yes, but will it be exactly the same?

It is not possible to deliver the curriculum in exactly the same way remotely so some things will be different. For example, science will not be as practical as we appreciate that families will not have all the equipment needed for certain experiments. We will do our best to make the learning as engaging and as interactive as possible.

How long is my child expected to study at home?

We want all children to engage with all the lessons and activities that we provide and this will vary from year group to year group. However as a rough guide we would expect children in KS1 to be actively engaged with learning at home for 2 hours in the morning and a further 1½ hours in the afternoon.

For KS2 children we are expecting 2½ in the morning and a further 2½ in the afternoon.

How is the work marked and assessed?

Any work that your child does on paper can be brought back to school after his/her isolation period. The downside of solely paper based packs is that there is not the live interaction with staff where your child can receive feedback to support his/her progress. However, any weekly work (homework) set for the class will be marked on line and your child will receive feedback.

How will staff check if my child is engaging with the work?

Any online work that your child completed, will be checked by the staff in school. Your child will receive a call during the during of his/her isolation period.

My child has special educational needs – how will you cater for this?

Your child's work will be tailored to meet his/her individual needs and you will receive additional phone calls or a virtual session during your child's isolation period.

English is not my child's first language. How will you support this?

Children who have English as an additional language (EAL) and are at the beginners stage of learning will receive an additional call during their isolation period and if possible, an online session from our specialist EAL staff.

Are there any other ways that my child can access learning?

Teachers have populated the homework pages with links to other services that children can access from home. For example the BBC is broadcasting lots of different educational TV programmes for children to watch on regular TV (you do not need a Smart TV for this). The programmes are on BBC2 and CBBC. The schedule is on your child's class page.