

### What will be our approach to Feedback and Marking if a child or year group self-isolates?

For a class closure, Teachers will be 'on duty' to give feedback to children between 8:30am and 3pm. There will also be dedicated 'Shine Time' between 1pm and 2pm each day where your child's teacher will be online to provide more direct feedback. Parents can also check-in with teachers via the messaging section if needed. Please make use of this time.

Following analysis from the Parent Council questionnaire, it was evident that verbal feedback was greatly received by the children during the previous lockdowns

As a result, we have decided that all learning for English, Maths, Topic, R.E. and Science will be responded to with voice messages, as close to point of learning as possible. All other learning will be responded to with a simple, written acknowledgement.

Teachers will endeavour to address misconceptions and these will be communicated to children in a positive way.

We will be encouraging the children to ask questions to the teacher if they are finding parts of the learning challenging. We thank you for your support in advance with this.

Sometimes, another adult in school may respond to the learning as they teach the children for a specific subject. Our expectations will remain the same. If the class teacher becomes unwell, another member of staff will respond to the learning.

### Who can I contact if I have any questions?

If you have a question or query regarding our Remote Learning curriculum offer, please contact Miss Smalldon (Acting Headteacher and Curriculum Leader) via email: [sarah.smalldon@stjohns.covmat.org](mailto:sarah.smalldon@stjohns.covmat.org)

If you have a query or concern regarding your child's wellbeing or learning needs, please contact Mrs Henderson (Assistant Headteacher, Inclusion Leader and SENDCo) via email: [sara.henderson@stjohns.covmat.org](mailto:sara.henderson@stjohns.covmat.org)

We know it continues to be a tricky time for you and your child. Please remember we are always here to support you as a family. Together, we shine!



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# A Guide to our Remote Learning Offer

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### What is 'Remote Learning'?

Remote Learning is when the teacher and child are separated and the child is learning at home, rather than in the classroom.

### Why is it important now?

We hope to have all children learning at St. John's for the entire academic year however, if Public Health England advise us to close a 'Year Group' bubble, the expectation is that the children in that year group will self-isolate and learn at home.

### Our Remote Learning Review

As well as enabling the children at our school to flourish pastorally through our core vision and values, the attainment and progress of each and every child at our school is also very important to us. As you are aware, during the national Lockdown, each teacher provided daily lessons on Seesaw.

We have reviewed the outcomes of the Parent Questionnaire as well as email and telephone feedback we received during the lockdown. We have also spoken to staff and a sample of children informally. Overall, the feedback has been overwhelmingly positive. Lots of parents have said that our Remote Learning offer was of a significantly higher quality than other schools in Coventry.

Of course, we recognise that there are always ways we can improve so we have reviewed our approach in line with changing government guidelines and made further amendments to offer a more focused approach.

Please read on to hear about these!

## REMOTE LEARNING FOR INDIVIDUAL CHILDREN

### When might an individual child/siblings have to self-isolate?

A child may have to self-isolate if:

1. They have Covid-19 symptoms and is awaiting a test result.
2. A family member has Covid-19 and the child is awaiting PCR test results.

### What is our 'Remote Learning' approach if a child tests positive or a member of their household tests positive and they are awaiting a PCR result?

**Day 1 of absence:** Children will have a day to complete Learning Logs, Times Table Rockstars, Reading Eggs and Reading Books. For Reception children, they will also have access to Rocket Phonics.

**Day 2 onwards:** Teachers will upload learning onto the Seesaw platform for your child to access. There will be:

- 4 days of Maths,
- 4 days of English
- a RE lesson
- a RHE lesson
- A Wellbeing activity

These lessons will support your child's learning at home for the time they are self-isolating following a positive Covid test or whilst waiting for the results of a Covid due to a family member testing positive for Covid.



## REMOTE LEARNING FOR A YEAR GROUP

### When might an entire year group have to self-isolate?

A year group may have to self-isolate if the school has been advised to by Public Health England. This is likely to be linked to positive Coronavirus cases by children or staff on the school site as part of our Outbreak Management Plan.

### What is our 'Remote Learning' approach if a year group is advised to self-isolate for a period of time?

If parents are called to collect the children during the school day, the children will take home their Maths, English, Science and R.E. books. They will also take home a paper learning pack. KS2 children will also take home their Spelling books. All learning for these subjects will be completed in these books and the children will be encouraged to complete their learning to a high standard.

All other subjects will be completed on Seesaw— this will be via a photo, video or editing a template. We are very aware that not all templates were accessible during the lockdown so the teachers will try hard to reduce difficulties with this. With all learning, the teacher will record themselves modelling how the outcome should look; hopefully, this will make things easier for you too! We know things can be tricky; we'll support as best we can!

All children will be provided with a small whiteboard and pen to complete phonics and other tasks. We considered 'live' learning but feel that this approach is better for our school.

### On the first three days of whole class remote learning:

- Children are encouraged to complete their year group paper work packs. One English and one maths, both are full of a range of activities to complete.
- Over these three days, the class teacher will be working very hard to prepare learning for the following days of learning. It will be very challenging for him/her to switch from teaching in class to teaching remotely from home so we thank-you in advance for your support with this.

### From Day 4 until the year group returns to school:

- Your child's teacher will teach a full curriculum on Seesaw with all subjects covered as per the normal year group timetable.
- Learning will be scheduled for 9am each day.
- Learning will be pitched to the curriculum objectives and there will be challenges to extend. Please do send a message to your child's teacher if they are finding the learning too easy or too hard.