

Roehampton Gate School - Remote education provision: Information for parents

This information is intended to provide clarity and transparency to pupils and parents or carers about what to expect from remote education if local restrictions require entire cohorts (or bubbles) to remain at home.

For details of what to expect where individual pupils are self-isolating, please see the final section of this document.

The remote curriculum: what is taught to pupils at home

A pupil's first day or two of being educated remotely might look different from our standard approach, while we take all necessary actions to prepare for a longer period of remote teaching.

What should my child expect from immediate remote education in the first day or two of pupils being sent home?

Students all have access to Moodle (online platform) where teachers will have uploaded work for students to access, complete and send back. Moodle lessons will reflect the lessons they are currently receiving at school and will follow their usual class timetable.

If staff are well and able to access computers, Zoom lessons will be arranged for the students if a school or bubble closure is required to last into a second day.

Following the first few days of remote education, will my child be taught broadly the same curriculum as they would if they were in school?

We teach the same curriculum remotely as we do in school, wherever possible and appropriate. However, we have needed to make some adaptations in some subjects. For example, food technology, performing arts, design and technology and PE. These subjects will modify content and activities to make them more accessible from home.

Remote teaching and study time each day

How long can I expect work set by the school to take my child each day?

We expect that remote education (including remote teaching and independent work) will take pupils broadly the following number of hours each day:

INDIVIDUAL ISOLATION ONLY PROVISION (not including whole class or bubble closure)	
Primary school-aged pupils	Each timetabled session (6 per day) will have online learning on Moodle available. Wellbeing call to be made weekly and more if risk assessed as requiring more contact Therapy sessions to be undertaken via Zoom.
Secondary school-aged pupils	Each timetabled session (6 per day) will have online learning on Moodle available. Wellbeing call to be made weekly and more if risk assessed as requiring more contact Therapy sessions to be undertaken via Zoom.
Post-16 students	Each timetabled session (6 per day) will include a 10 minute Zoom followed by online learning on Moodle. Access to teacher via chat mode on Zoom. Therapy sessions to be undertaken via Zoom.
BUBBLE OR SCHOOL CLOSURE PROVISION	
Primary school-aged pupils	Each timetabled session (6 per day) will include a 10 minute Zoom followed by online learning on Moodle. Access to teacher (and possibly LSA) via chat mode on Zoom. Therapy sessions to be undertaken via Zoom.

Secondary school-aged pupils	<p>Each timetabled session (6 per day) will include a 10 minute Zoom followed by online learning on Moodle.</p> <p>Access to teacher (and possibly LSA) via chat mode on Zoom.</p> <p>Therapy sessions to be undertaken via Zoom.</p>
Post-16 students	<p>Each timetabled session (6 per day) will include a 10 minute Zoom followed by online learning on Moodle.</p> <p>Access to teacher via chat mode on Zoom.</p> <p>Therapy sessions to be undertaken via Zoom.</p>

Moodle and zoom content will be quality assured by the Senior Leadership Team and mapped against curriculum planning already in place to ensure students are accessing the correct and appropriate content.

Accessing remote education

How will my child access any online remote education you are providing?

Moodle online learning resource used. Teachers will upload content to match normal school timetables.

Login sent to parents via email and all students taught how to access individually.

If my child does not have digital or online access at home, how will you support them to access remote education?

We recognise that some pupils may not have suitable online access at home. We take the following approaches to support those pupils to access remote education:

In this section, please provide high-level information (where applicable, and ensuring parents know how to contact the school for further details) about:

- We can loan laptops if deemed as suitable based on risk assessment of needs and issuing. We will make direct contact with parents where hardware is required.
- If internet access is not possible, we will send packages of written work out to home that will arrive on Friday by courier in preparation for the following week's lessons.
- Parents can return completed work via email (either electronic documents or photos of written / art work) to be marked. In some cases we can arrange for a courier to collect.
- Parents are encouraged to contact the school if there are issues accessing online contact. Please direct this to your child's tutor in the first instance.

How will my child be taught remotely?

We use a combination of the following approaches to teach pupils remotely:

Some examples of remote teaching approaches:

- live teaching (Zoom online lessons)
- recorded teaching (e.g. pre-recorded lessons, video/audio recordings made by teachers)
- printed paper packs produced by teachers (e.g. workbooks, worksheets)
- textbooks and reading books pupils have at home
- commercially available websites supporting the teaching of specific subjects or areas, including video clips or sequences including moderated Youtube clips
- long-term project work and/or internet research activities
- use of visuals to support learning activities.
- clear objectives to outline what is being studied and outcome.

Engagement and feedback

What are your expectations for my child's engagement and the support that we as parents and carers should provide at home?

- Additional guidance with an activity, should this be required, although the chat option allows for students to ask the subject teacher questions or request assistance.
- Access to the internet and availability of laptop
- Support to encourage appropriate online behaviour and completion of tasks.
- If your child is unwell, please contact the school in the normal way so we can inform teachers that specific students will not be attending zoom sessions.

How will you check whether my child is engaging with their work and how will I be informed if there are concerns?

- Staff will access marking within 7 working days of submission and will offer feedback.
- Wellbeing calls made weekly from tutors, pastoral team and therapies. These will be tracked on a database to support communications.
- If engagement is a concern, we will inform parents and carers by telephone or email. If these concerns relate to safeguarding, we will at first notify parents and then maybe make contact with local authorities or safeguarding teams for advice and additional support.

Additional support for pupils with particular needs

How will you work with me to help my child who needs additional support from adults at home to access remote education?

We recognise that some pupils, for example some pupils with special educational needs and disabilities (SEND), may not be able to access remote education without support from adults at home. We acknowledge the difficulties this may place on families, and we will work with parents and carers to support those pupils in the following ways:

- Parents have an opportunity to speak with teachers during weekly wellbeing calls to request additional support. Parents can email teaching and pastoral staff for advice.

Remote education for self-isolating pupils

Where individual pupils need to self-isolate but the majority of their peer group remains in school, how remote education is provided will likely differ from the approach for whole groups. This is due to the challenges of teaching pupils both at home and in school.

If my child is not in school because they are self-isolating, how will their remote education differ from the approaches described above?

Refer to all points above. The only provision not offered is Zoom delivery.