

Two Rivers Primary Remote Learning January 2021 Early Years

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 pupils to remain at home.

The Remote Curriculum

In line with government guidelines, remote learning will be provided for all students who are currently not attending the setting. This will be in line with provision for students who are classed as vulnerable (Staffordshire guidance) or whose parents are key workers. Where appropriate there will be no deviation from the original curriculum planning and staff will follow their medium-term plans to produce content that is broad and balanced.

We teach the same curriculum remotely as we do in school wherever possible and appropriate. However, we may have to make some adaptations in some subjects and for some pupils. For example, when pupils do not have daily access or have shared access to IT to facilitate home learning, we will provide supplementary work packs. In addition, where parents and carers request support with home learning, our teaching staff facilitate this request.

How will my child be taught?

Teaching support staff at Two Rivers Primary School will use a range of strategies to deliver the curriculum remotely. These may include:

- Printed paper packs produced by teachers
- Teacher led presentations and learning resources.
- Online learning links to useful resources
- Online support via Class Dojo
- Teams and telephone support

Remote Teaching Approaches

Early years development is a play based approach therefore remote learning will be based on experiential and fun learning activities either through the learning packs or suggested online links. The resource packs will include language, phonic, number, sensory, physical, creative and personal development activities.

The activities suggested will enhance your child's learning through singing songs, sharing picture books, building upon the experience of language, play, sensory, physical and creative activities.

Communication is central to your child's learning and is the link that binds all other learning areas together so all activities encourage you to talk, label and encourage your child to look at you and engage together.

The early stages of communication begin with the development of eye contact, vocal sounds, gestures and spoken word. Each home school learning pack will provide language focussed activities including focus words using PECs and Makaton and activities to encourage communication development.

Remote teaching and study time each day

The government suggest three hours per day for primary school children. This can be broken down into smaller, more manageable periods. Personal activities developing independent skills such as washing, brushing teeth, eating meals independently, using an open cup, assisting when getting dressed, using the toilet can all be used as learning opportunities and soon builds up to three hours.

Engagement and feedback

Please share your child's learning and experiences with us on Tapestry by adding photographs and videos! We would love to see what your child is doing and share their learning and give them positive feedback. These may also be used to support your child's assessment.

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 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:

Teaching and support staff at Two Rivers will ensure that the additional educational needs of our pupils are fully supported. All home learning tasks will be tailored to meet pupils' needs. 'Safe and well-being' calls will provide support for our pupils and families. Two Rivers staff will work closely to ensure families are able to support their child and maintain an appropriate level of engagement in home learning.

We will continue to work with other agencies involved with our families. This collaborative working ensures that our pupils continue to access the full range of services and support.

Self-Isolation

Our home learning strategy for pupils at Two Rivers Primary who are required to self-isolate has the same robust approach including 'safe and well-being' calls. Home learning for self-isolating pupils will mirror the curriculum covered by pupils working at similar levels within the school setting.