

Home Learning at Our Lady's

As we enter into the autumn and winter months, it is inevitable that there will be occasions where some children will need to isolate from school if they display Covid-19 symptoms. Our belief is that the need to self isolate will not be a barrier to a child's learning and to this end we have a very specific plan to deliver remote learning in cases of absence from school.

Google Classroom:

Each class teacher will set up a virtual classroom where they will upload work for the children to complete on a daily basis. Through this platform you will be able to communicate directly with the class teacher to support you with your child's learning. Every child will have their own login and these will be shared with you.

Learning:

For the core subjects, learning will mirror the work that is being done in the classroom. This will be provided through bespoke lessons created by the teacher and commercial materials used in school, for example White Rose Maths.

For the wider curriculum we will also be using other online learning platforms, including: The Oak Academy, BBC Bitesize, Get Epic! and IXL.

There will be no requirement for you to set the learning for your child. This is the responsibility of the class teacher and work will be clearly signposted using google classrooms.

ICT support:

As a school we are very conscious that access to a tablet or laptop, along with reliable Wi-Fi, is essential for home learning. To this end, we are currently working on a system where we can allow some of our school hardware to be taken home by children needing to self-isolate. We will shortly be sending out an ICT home audit so we can see where we may need to direct our support. We recommend that the minimum requirement for home learning is a laptop or tablet and that mobile phones are not suitable to complete home learning.

In the short-term the school will support families with paper based learning where needed.

Website:

The school website will continue to be a platform where children can access online learning sites to supplement the class work. They will continue to have access to Time Table Rockstars.

Homework:

This term, much of the homework set will be through google classroom. We are doing this so that both children and parents are confident in how to use this platform, and if we need to switch to remote learning, this can be done efficiently.

Once again thank you for the support you have shown us as we adjust to a new way of working and learning.

Kind regards.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be 'Mr Meech', with a stylized, flowing script.

Mr Meech