

Remote education provision: information for parents/carers

This information is intended to provide clarity and transparency to students 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 students are self-isolating, please see the final section of this page.

The remote curriculum: what is taught to students at home

A student'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 students being sent home?

Students will be expected to log on to the remote learning pages of the school website <https://www.barnwellschool.co.uk/remote-learning> and sign in to their O365 accounts. Work from all subjects will be available as well as their PLCs. Students need to complete the appropriate amount of work possible based on their normal school timetable.

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?

As a school, we will teach the same curriculum as live lessons via Microsoft Teams as we do in school, in line with student timetables, wherever possible and appropriate. However, we have needed to make some adaptations in some subjects. For example, work for practical subjects such as art, dance, drama, PE, PRIDE and technology will continue to be set online through SMHW and the Remote Learning portal on the school website.

More details can be found in our contingency plan document via the following [link](#).

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 students broadly the same amount of time as a normal school day. Live lessons will take place at the same time as students would normally have their lessons and for lessons that cannot be live, students should complete the work set, where possible, in the remainder of their time.

Accessing remote education

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

Students will be expected to log on to the remote learning pages of the school website <https://www.barnwellschool.co.uk/remote-learning> and sign in to their O365 accounts.

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

As a school, we recognise that some students may not have suitable online access at home. We have already identified those students for whom remote learning would not be possible from home. Where possible we will loan laptops to students, subject to availability and completion of an online parental agreement. Alternatively, packs of printed copies of work will be made available/workbooks will be made available. This work will need to be completed and returned to school before more is issued.

How will my child be taught remotely?

As a school we have adapted our approaches to remote learning based on the following scenarios - individual, bubble and cohort self-isolation. Our contingency plan document outlines the various responses to the different scenarios. Please click the [link](#) to view the plan.

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?

As a school we expect all students to engage with remote learning where possible. It is understood that every household is different and finding a routine at home is not always possible.

The school will continue to support all families with their arrangements if required. Please contact your child's Head of College/Year to discuss expectations and routines regarding remote learning.

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

Unless identified, teachers will report any students not accessing live lessons on a daily basis. Heads of College/Year will contact parents if engagement or conduct is not at the

expected level. The same expectations are in place for remote learning and teachers will monitor engagement through submission rates.

How will you assess my child's work and progress?

Feedback can take many forms and may not always mean extensive written comments for individual children. For example, whole-class feedback or quizzes marked automatically via digital platforms are also valid and effective methods, amongst many others.

All work submitted from remote learning will be assessed and PLC trackers will be updated on a regular basis, in line with our school assessment procedures. Parents/carers will be able to view submission rates via SHMW.

Additional support for students 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 students, for example some students 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 students.

Our SEND department will be in contact with students and families regarding support and expectations on a regular basis. If any parent/carer would like more support or to discuss their child's progress, they can contact Mrs Olcay h.olcay@abrnwell.herts.sch.uk.

Remote education for self-isolating students

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

Where individual students need to self-isolate but the majority of their peer group remains in school, students will be expected to log on to the remote learning pages of the school website <https://www.barnwellschool.co.uk/remote-learning> and sign in to their O365 accounts. Work from all subjects will be available as well as their PLCs. Students need to complete the appropriate amount of work possible based on their normal school timetable.