

Remote Learning 2021 Guidance for parents and pupils



Welcome to Remote School. We have learnt a huge amount both during and since our initial lockdown last year and have hopefully made some developments to our learning and interaction which will help the whole school community. These guidelines should give you an idea of what is coming, what our expectations are and where you can go for help when you need it.

Expectations and Wellbeing

As with the previous lockdown, we completely understand that there are very different pressures on each of us during these times and we fully support you all in doing what is best for your family and your children's welfare. We would dearly love every child in our community to be able to engage with the learning we are providing but we know that this isn't always possible. All that we ask is that you do your best and keep in touch. If you need to take an afternoon to do something different, please do. If you need to supplement the timetable with some other online learning, please do. We are confident that we can prevent this lockdown having an impact on learning if we work together. Team St. James as always.

Key Messages:

Teams

- Teams will be your major port of call for information through chat function and assignments. (*FYI Teams will also work on an Xbox if you are having problems having enough laptops in the house.*)
- Each week, the Year group teachers will upload a new weekly timetable onto the 'Assignments' sections on Microsoft Teams. This will be uploaded by 4pm on the Sunday before the week begins and will have at least the next two days' worth of learning on. You should use this timetable to access the learning resources for each lesson.
- To access your weekly timetable, you need to login onto Teams using your **new** school email address (**not the one you will have used during Virtual School last year**).
- Your new school email is as follows: pupil.first name and first letter of surname @stjamescebournemouth.com. For example, pupil.johns@stjamescebournemouth.com

- At present, everyone's password is set to October20 (with a capital O) You should change your password to a memorable, personal and confidential password of your choice and share this with your parents. You should not share this password with anyone else.
- Use your email and password to login to Teams. From here, click on the 'assignments' and you will see the timetable with links to learning for each day. A video of how to do this is here: [Remote Learning Explanation](#). You should not edit any of the timetables or resources.

Timetables and Lessons

- For KS1 and 2, there will largely be **four** lessons per day, just as there would be in school – English (including Phonics for KS1), Maths, Reading and Project.
- In EYFS, the children will be set English and Maths tasks and also a daily Tapestry challenge. There will also be a daily snack time story that you can access via Tapestry.
- In a new development, a teacher from your year group will be holding **one live lesson per day on Teams**– the details will be in the Teams chat and it will be **at the same time each day**. Initially, the lesson will be English/Phonics or Maths.

Year Group	Live Lesson Time
EYFS	9.20 - 10.00
Year 1	10.20 - 11.00
Year 2	9.20 - 10.00
Year 3	10.20 - 11.00
Year 4	10.30 - 11.10
Year 5	9.20 - 10.00
Year 6	9.20 - 10.00

- The expectation is that children will try to attend this lesson but, in the event that they are unable to, will be able to watch a recorded version

later in the day. The link will be in the Teams chat and can be downloaded.

- We may also pre-record an input for one other lesson during the day or of the class reading book or a similar session. The link for this will be updated on the weekly timetable and the Teams chat.

Communication

- On Teams, there is also a **chat function**. Your teacher will use this to communicate with the class as a whole and you will have the option to reply to your teacher's messages. However, **these messages are strictly to be about the learning that has been set or to ask any questions you may have**.
- Teachers will not be sending a daily email but they will post a message on Teams chat by 9am each morning to give any key messages.
- Please submit any completed work for feedback to your teacher's email or, if your child is in EYFS or Year 1, please upload any work to Tapestry.
- Work that is done during a live lesson may be given feedback during that lesson, just as we would in school.

Phone Calls

- During our first full week (11th Jan), we will be endeavouring to give everyone who is working at home a quick call to check in with you. These will be during the morning. Please be aware that we will appear on your phone as unknown so remember to answer if you would like to speak to us.
- Subsequently, as we are now seeing children in daily lessons, **we will not be calling on a weekly basis UNLESS you request a call**. We are very happy to talk to you or your children if we can help to support you with learning or getting you through another lockdown but we know that some people find it more helpful than others. Please **email** your teacher if you would like a call during the week. There may be some weeks when you would like one and others where you are doing just fine on your own. Both are absolutely fine with us!
- Another member of the St. James' team may check in with you occasionally as well so please do not feel that you have to manage alone. We are here to help.

Awards and Worships:

- Every Friday afternoon, teachers will be holding a live Year Group Teams Awards Worship. See below for times:

Year 2, Year 5, Year 6 - 1.30pm

EYFS, Year 1, Year 3, Year 4 - 2.30pm

- Other worship links and invites will be in Teams chat or via email as our practice develops.

Websites:

- Although we are providing a fairly full timetable, you may wish to supplement your learning with some of these websites:

[My Maths](#)

[Times Tables Rockstars](#)

[Busy Things](#)

[Purple Mash](#)

[Oxford Owl](#)

[Phonics Play](#)

Oak Academy also has a wide range of lessons which are accessible to all.

[Oak academy](#)

We may sometimes set tasks on these sites to back up your learning as well but we will let you know through the timetable or Teams Chat when we do.

You might also like to re-engage with Joe Wicks and his wonderful PE sessions!

We hope that, although unexpected, this will be a time of fantastic learning experiences for all of us, just as if we were all together at school. Keep calm, carry on and know that we are here to support you. One step at a time and in this together. Team St. James'.

'For I know the plans I have for you,' declares the LORD, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future.' Jeremiah 29:11