

REMOTE EDUCATION PROVISION: INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

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This information is intended to provide clarity and transparency to pupils and parents or carers about what to expect from remote education where national or 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 page.

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?

In the first instance your child's work will be set on Show My Homework. All lessons at Derby Moor, whether in or out of school are uploaded onto this provision. If you have made us aware that do not have access a home learning pack will be mailed to you.

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?

At Derby Moor Academy:

 We teach the same curriculum remotely as we do in school. Students will follow their normal timetable.

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:

Key Stage 3, 4 and 5	5 hours per day

Accessing remote education

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

Remote education at Derby Moor Academy is provided through Show My Homework. This can be accessed from Derby Moor's website (top of homepage, "SMHW Calendar").

Website: https://www.satchelone.com/login

If you have problems with access please email info@derbymoor.derby.sch.uk and ask for your child's Progress Leader. There are also helpful links on the website including video guides for parents and tutorials.

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:

- If you are having issues accessing our online provision please contact the school on 01332 772706 to see how we can help you address the problem. This may involve technical support or the allocation of devices.
- If you do not have access to remote learning please ring Derby Moor Academy 01332 772706 and request a home learning pack. This will be for a minority of families as our first response is to strive to ensure home learning can be facilitated.
- If you cannot submit work online please either post to Derby Moor Academy or drop it into reception labelled with your child's name and year.

How will my child be taught remotely?

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

You child will be taught through our online provision (Show My Homework). All students in all year groups have the same access to our provision.

This involves:

- Every lesson containing a video resource to explain new content and skills during a whole year lockdown.
- Every lesson mirroring our curriculum so when we return, students will be able to continue making progress.
- If students have no access to online provision, please contact school so we can address this. Where no solution can be found, home learning packs are available which enable students to work through the curriculum. These are to be completed on paper.
- If students would like to access additional material we recommend Oak Academy (https://www.thenational.academy) to supplement our online provision.

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?

At Derby Moor we expect:

- Students to log onto Show My Homework every school day
- Complete all work set be teachers
- Submit work to teachers through the Show My Homework platform
- Parents are encouraged to follow your child's timetable as far as possible. We
 understand this may be difficult and so long as work is completed; it is up to
 each family as to when this is done although reasonable deadlines will be set
 for submissions. This is you provide the flexibility for families to support with
 home schooling.

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

At Derby Moor we will check every day your child has logged on and engaged with home learning. To support parents, where students have not logged on, parents are contacted and support offered.

Furthermore, teachers will check that students have submitted work online and support students remotely. This can be done through the messaging feature on Show My Homework or through school emails.

Where engagement is a concern, parents will be contacted by Derby Moor through phone and email. We will endeavour to work with families to address issues and support our students.

We recognise the challenges home learning can place on families in our school community. At Derby Moor we have a strong support network that ensures all families receive the help and guidance needed. If you require any support in addition to home learning please contact the school on 01332 772706 or email info@derbymoor.derby.sch.uk.

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. Our approach to feeding back on pupil work is as follows:

At Derby Moor students will receive feedback weekly on their home learning. This is most effective when students submit work in a timely manner. Feedback takes many forms and will be clearly identified in at least one lesson set on Show My Homework. Methods of feedback can include: individual messages, group feedback, whole-class feedback sheets; Hegarty maths and quizzes marked online.

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:

At Derby Moor we ensure that:

- SEND students and their parents/carers receive (at least) twice weekly phone
 calls to assist with completion of work being set by teachers. These staff also
 work to liaise directly with teaching staff to further enhance their differentiation
 as needed.
- The SENCO and Assistant SENCOs for Year 7, 8 and 9 contact parents of all SEND students weekly by email to provide additional materials and resources to parents/carers that will help to engage their child in remote learning. This includes access to assistive technologies such as electronic overlays, guides on how to enable read aloud functions on Microsoft as well as access to the RNIB bookshare and Oak Academy resources.
- Through regular communication with parents, those students who are considered to be struggling to access any remote learning are invited to attend school to ensure that they are receiving the support necessary to learn.
- Where appropriate, parents are sent video guides as well as written guides to help them support their child with remote learning.

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?

If your child is self-isolating there is no difference to the online provision as described above during a period of closure. In instances where the school or Year Group remains open your child will still receive the same tasks online as their peers receive in the classroom. This will be posted on the same day as the lesson occurs.