

Chuckery
Primary School



Working Together

Remote Learning Agreement September 2020



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This agreement should be read in conjunction with the following documents that are available on the school website www.chuckeryprimary.com

- Remote learning Acceptable User Agreement
- Online Safety Policy
- Child Protection Policy
- Remote Learning Policy

What the school will do should your child need to isolate at home:

- Within 24 hours the class teacher will ensure appropriate work has been provided for the child using either Marvellous Me, Purple Mash or in exceptional circumstances paper copies
- Within 48 hours the class teacher will have been in touch to ensure the family has completed the appropriate acceptable use policy and has the log in information to access Google Classrooms.
- Within 48 hours, the school will provide 3 sessions of online learning per day that cover the whole curriculum. These will be from a mixture of different sources:
- Oak National Academy Online Lessons
- Bespoke online lessons from Chuckery staff
- Links to activities the children can complete
- The school will work with parents to support their children in accessing the online learning materials

The purpose of this agreement is two-fold:

- Inform parents about what they can expect from the school and their child's class teacher should their child need to isolate and stay at home
- Ensure parents know what the school expects from them should their child need to isolate and stay at home

What the school expects parents and families to do should their child need to isolate at home:

- For the safety of everyone ensure the child is isolating and is not leaving the house
- Respond to the telephone calls from the school to arrange the learning
- Support their children in accessing the online learning materials by:
 - Where possible, providing the necessary equipment
 - Ensuring they are logging in and accessing the learning
 - Ensuring they are completing tasks and submitting them to the teacher
 - Working with teaching staff to support their child's learning
- Send their children back to school once the necessary self-isolation period is over
- Support their children to follow the school rules when they are on line: be kind, be safe, be ready to learn

10 TOP TIPS REMOTE LEARNING FOR CHILDREN

Remote learning can be a great way to continue learning outside the classroom, particularly in difficult circumstances. For students, it's the perfect way to ensure they still get the education they need, despite not being at school. However it also requires a level of discipline and careful planning. That's why we've created this guide to help pupils understand different aspects of remote learning and to support them in ensuring their experience is as safe and secure as it can be.

1) Treat remote learning the same as classroom learning

Despite being at home, it's important to remember the same rules apply as being in the classroom, particularly in respect of behavior and conduct. Focus on learning and don't get distracted by your surroundings.



2) Use classroom language

If you are encouraged to communicate through emails and online messages, don't use shorthand text speak and write as though you would speak in class. Remember to be respectful and polite and avoid posting negative comments or spamming the chat.

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3) Take regular screen breaks

Whilst remote learning might be an exciting experience to begin with, having prolonged periods of time in front of a screen isn't always healthy. Remember to have regular screen breaks where possible and at your spare time, try to get some fresh air and enjoy other activities away from electronic devices.



4) Always conduct video learning in an open space at home

To get the best experience from remote learning, it's important to create the right environment around you. Try to set up a mock Classroom desk at home in an open space so parents can supervise if necessary. Avoid bedrooms as this could be considered inappropriate.

5) Only communicate through approved school portals and platforms

It's important that you send messages and any pictures or images required for class through approved school channels, such as internal learning portals or approved platforms. This will help to keep your personal information safe and secure.



6) Stick to teacher rules and guidelines around online learning

Your school should issue you with guidance around remote learning and the rules to follow. Always maintain classroom behaviour and try to remember that you are in a learning environment and not a social setting.



7) Dress in school uniform

As part of your learning environment, try to maintain school uniform/deck. This will help as part of replicating classroom learning in the home. Try to avoid wearing anything too casual as this could be deemed inappropriate for school.



8) Don't share passwords or other sensitive information

In order to begin your online lessons or to gain access to learning materials, you may be provided with login details and passwords. In the same way you keep your personal details private, always keep these safe and never share them with others.



9) Don't use school platforms to discuss personal matters

It's important to keep your school communication channels separate from your own personal communication with friends and family. Don't be tempted to engage in casual discussions or send images, videos or links via official school apps or platforms that aren't associated with your learning.



10) Look after your mental health and wellbeing

Remote learning ultimately means working alone and missing out on daily social interaction with your friends. If you ever feel frustrated, low or sad, it's important to discuss how you feel with your parents or your teacher. Keeping in touch with friends over the phone or on social media can also help to keep your spirits up.



10 TOP TIPS REMOTE LEARNING FOR PARENTS

Remote learning can be a great way to continue learning outside the classroom, particularly in difficult circumstances. For parents and carers, the idea of remote learning isn't always straightforward and there can be a number of factors they need to consider, especially around ensuring their children feel comfortable and are familiar with the whole concept. That's why we've created this guide to help parents and carers support their child in getting the most out of their remote learning experience.

1) Take an active interest in your child's learning

As a parent or carer, remote learning will be a new concept for your child and there will need to be a few supporting problems to start with. Take an active interest in their learning and help support them whenever they need a helping hand.



2) Monitor your child's communication and online activity

It's important to monitor your child that despite being at home, the same level of behaviour and conduct exists as if they were at school. Encourage them to remain polite, respectful, to remain open and not to post or send any negative comments just because they are behind a computer.



3) Establish a daily schedule and routine

Switching from home and trying to have that more structured day that children might associate with school play and a degree of bedtime might take a lot of getting a hold. Try to stick to a daily routine and use the timetable schedule that schools have used to help children step on top of their daily learning.



4) Encourage screen breaks away from devices

Remote learning will inevitably require more interaction with computers, laptops and tablets. Teachers will inevitably set out on screen breaks however it doesn't hurt to help a child on their time online or encourage them to get some fresh air when they can.



5) Ensure your learning device is in a public space in the home

It's important to consider where your PC or laptop is placed if you notice it being used. Try to keep the background neutral with no personal information visible and make learning devices out of the bedroom as this could be deemed inappropriate.



6) Implement safety controls and privacy restrictions on apps and software

Depending on how your school implements remote learning, your child may be required to download various software or apps. Whilst these are likely to be relatively safe to use, like any other app or platform, parents should still implement safety controls as a precaution.



7) Ensure your child only uses official school communication channels

It's important to at all times discuss with teachers and school staff if a child is using any other school channels, whether that be through the school's online portal or the official school messaging app.



8) Familiarise yourself with relevant school policies

Schools should have a policy on remote learning and teachers that they can share with parents. Familiarise your child with this and ensure you know what is expected of teachers and your child during lessons, both online and offline.



9) Maintain feedback with teachers

Engage in communication with teachers where possible and try to track their progress and development as well as any helpful suggestions around the learning process. Be transparent but remain professional and only use official channels to communicate.



10) Monitor your child's wellbeing and mental health

Remote learning ultimately means that your child won't get the same level of social interaction and support that they would in a school. Whilst it's important to ensure they are safe and secure, it's also important to ensure they are happy and well. If you notice any signs of stress or anxiety, speak to your child's teacher or a professional for support.

