

Remote Learning: Advice for Parents

Create a positive environment for your child to learn at home, for example:

- **Rehearse the ground rules. Ensure they know that working at home is not optional; that a high standard of good behaviour and positive attitude is required; they must follow the 'rules' for live lessons that the children have agreed. Make perfect punctuality a priority!**
- **Distinguish between weekdays and weekends, to separate school life and home life**
- **Designate a working space if possible, and at the end of the day have a clear cut-off to signal school time is over**
- **Create and stick to a routine, as this is what your child is used to at school.** For example, eat breakfast at the same time each morning and make sure they're dressed before starting the 'school' day
- **Stick a timetable up on the wall** so everyone knows what they should be doing when, and tick activities off throughout the day
- **Provide support if needed, especially the younger children but take over; let them lead their own learning under the guidance of their teacher.**
- **Enable them to say what they want to type if they struggle to write independently.** Use dictation software such as OneNote (with [Office 365](#)) so that you can give feedback without even having to touch the keyboard
- **Help them to use the technology: ensure everything is set up and ready to access MSTeams, upload pictures or work assignments for them.**
- **Make time for exercise and breaks** throughout the day to keep your child active
- **Keep communicating with us.**

Safety Guidance

Everyone should:

- Wear appropriate clothing.
- Use appropriate language.
- Not say anything that provides personal/private information e.g. about you, where you live.
- Keep family/household members out of shot (except at the beginning and end of the lesson when a parent is expected to attend).
- Participate from a suitable room, ie NOT a bathroom or bedroom.
- Make sure personal items (e.g. mobile phone, family photographs, laundry on the washing line!!) can't be zoomed in on to compromise GDPR/personal privacy.
- Ensure family members are aware of the conference call in order to minimise background noise and avoid any inappropriate comments, etc. being heard