

Remote Learning at Valley School during the Covid-19 Pandemic.

At Valley School, we are defining remote learners as children who cannot attend school in the short term (at least 5 days) as they are following Covid-19 public health guidelines and this statement clarifies how Valley School will support learning during this time at home.

We aim to work with our families to ensure that expectations for remote learning are realistic and appropriate for them, their child and school.

Our curriculum will be delivered through activities that will include some or all of the following:-

1. Activities that follow aspects of the classes planned curriculum work and are personalised to each child
2. Activities to help to deliver the individual child's IEP targets
3. Personalised activities that engage the child and relate to their EHC

Organisation

During the first day of absence, the class teacher will make contact with the family to discuss how remote learning can be best delivered at home. The teacher will be responsible for co-ordinating the remote learning and information will be logged and stored securely as well as gaining feedback from families about the child's wellbeing and learning. If the teacher is not available, a key member of school staff will make the contact. These discussions may include:

Is the child healthy enough to carry out remote learning?

What activities were successful during lockdown?

Will the child have access to technology and if so would for example footage of the sensory story on Class Dojo be meaningful at home?

Are physical resources required e.g. favourite toys and communication board to work on an IEP target?

What other activities or resources would be useful?

Time Frame

A realistic time frame will be agreed between the family and teacher to prepare resources and parents will be encouraged to collect physical resources from school.

Safeguarding and data protection

School safeguarding policies will be followed. If staff are required to work from their own home it may be necessary for them to access personal data about other staff members and pupils. They should only access personal data necessary to carry on their duties and communicate with colleagues and families through:

- Citrix Remote Access and Shared Google Drive (associated Stockport Google Education Suite and @valley.stockport accounts)
- Individual Teachers' iPads with agreed secure arrangements in place (keeping the device password-protected, making sure the device locks if left inactive for a period of time, not sharing the device among family or friends)

All communication and resources will be in line with GDPR.

All physical resources will be cleaned and disinfected in line with our COVID-19 risk assessment.