



Lockdown Digital Learning

The most recent government guidance for special schools explains that schools have a duty to provide remote education for state-funded, school-age children whose attendance would be contrary to government guidance or law around coronavirus (Covid-19). Therefore, at St. Anthony's we continue to follow government guidelines to offer face to face education and remote education for our Clinically Extremely Vulnerable pupils. However, if our parents or carers choose to keep their child at home, which is contrary to the guidance, we will still provide a digital learning platform as opposed to live remote education.

This is because we do not have enough capacity to provide both face to face and remote teaching. There are also safeguarding regulations that prevent us from broadcasting lessons from classrooms onto Teams.



However, if you have made the decision to forgo your right to a place in school for your child based on their EHCP, and stay at home in support of the government lockdown, we still want to do all we can to support you in providing educational opportunities.

There are a range of learning opportunities that you can access to support your child's learning that should require very little support from you.

All pupils at St Anthony's have logins to:



If you need to be reminded of these, you can contact their class teacher in the usual ways: Dojo, phone or email.

In addition to this there is a wide range of excellent virtual lessons provided by the government sponsored Oak Academy  and now on BBC 

Links to these are below:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/articles/zvryp4j>

<https://classroom.thenational.academy/>

If you decide to use these resources, we recommend you to contact the class teacher who will advise you on the most appropriate level of challenge for your child.

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Class Dojo	Every child can communicate directly with their class teacher. Pictures of home learning activities (baking, cleaning, making) can be sent and they can see messages that are posted for the whole class.
Microsoft Teams	Pupils can join remote DT and Cookery lessons. You will be sent a link when these are on offer.
Teams Oak Academy BBC Bitesize	Assignments and Lessons may be set on Teams Check-ins on Teams Teachers will direct you to the correct challenge on Oak Academy and BBC.
My Maths Purple Mash Education City	All pupils have logins to these learning platforms that provide a wide range of differentiated activities that can be worked on independently. If you contact your child's class teacher they can support you by directing to the appropriate level of challenge.
Reading Doctors Reading Eggs	The reading doctors will contact you if your child has been identified for reading intervention and arrange 1:1 remote sessions. In this circumstance your child will also have access to Reading Eggs, an online learning platform.
Whole School Assembly	Every Friday on Teams there is a celebration assembly to which all pupils have remote access via their Teams login.
IT support	Laptops can be provided if your child needs one to support their digital learning. Our IT manager is on hand to advise with any technical issues regarding digital access.

If you have any questions about our digital learning offer, please contact your child's class teacher.