



The Department of Education has instructed schools to provide remote learning for all children unable to attend school during lockdown. Below is the minimum expectation of daily learning time.

Key stage	Number of hours
Key stage 1	3 hours
Key stage 2	4 hours
Key stage 3/4	5 hours

*Whilst we recognise learning at home will have its challenges, it is the responsibility of the parent/carer to support their child to access education.*

Key reasons why remote learning is important:-

- It prevents your child's education from being further compromised.
- It helps to maintain routines for children - we know this is when they feel safest, especially in uncertain times.
- They continue to feel part of their school community.
- It creates a sense of achievement for your child.
- It supports good mental health & wellbeing.
- Other aspects which enhance your child's learning are:- learning through play, turn taking, counting games, time outside with nature, 'brain breaks', a small reward for completing tasks.

School will:-

- Provide work & instructions, that are age appropriate, for all children on how to complete tasks.
- Remove any possible barriers to learning.
- Be contactable during school hours to offer support & discuss any difficulties.
- Carry out home visits, if necessary.
- School staff may contact your child to 'check-in.'

Parents/Carers are expected to:-

- Help to create healthy learning routines.
- Offer support, encouragement & to be involved in your child's remote learning.
- Be contactable.
- Contact the school if difficulties arise.

If parents fail to engage, possible next steps are:-

- A referral to the Trust's Family Support Team.
- A home visit from the HCAT Family Support Team.
- A possible referral to external agencies, if there continues to be no engagement from families, and we are unable to confirm your child's welfare or whereabouts.