

Reception - Remote Learning at St Michael's Primary School



Tapestry

Log onto your child's Tapestry account. There is a section named 'Activities' where your child's online learning will be presented. Please ensure you have checked the 'test run' that we have already shared to ensure that you can open all documents attached on your device. When completing the activities, click 'Reply with Observation' to upload photographs or notes about your child's learning. A suggested timetable will be shared on Tapestry in the 'Documents' section, along with any other documents that will be useful. There will be 3 activities uploaded each day.

Staying safe when learning at home – Advice for parents

The following information will help your child to succeed in their remote learning. It is the government's expectation that all children, should they have to isolate, complete remote learning at home. Should you struggle to access our online offer, please let us know and we can support you through this. We also may be able to help by providing some technology so please let us know if you are in need of a device to access Google Classroom on.

Establish routines and expectations

It is important to develop good habits from the start. Continue to get your child up, get dressed and ready to learn at a reasonable time. Keep normal bedtime routines, including normal rules for digital devices as this will help the children to adjust when they return to school. The work set is the work the children would have been completing in school for the two weeks so please ensure you do as much as you can as this won't be repeated in school. Children should submit the work for feedback as soon as they have completed it but school staff will only be available to respond **between 8.30am and 3.30pm**.

Choose a good place to learn

Your family's regular learning space for occasional homework might not work for extended periods. Set up a physical location that's dedicated to school-focused activities. Make sure it is quiet, free from distractions and has a good internet connection.

Stay in touch

Teachers will mainly be communicating regularly through WEDUC, email or via Google Classroom. Staff will be available to respond to the children **during the school day** through Google Classroom and if your child posts a comment, there will be someone who will respond to them. The class email will be checked regularly so please contact the teacher via this should you have any issues – they will be happy to help. A teacher from your child's class will also call you each week to see how you are doing and help you with any technical difficulties. Their number will be withheld so please remember to answer if you see this. They will always ring again, if they can't get hold of you the first time.

Help your children to be independent in their learning

No one expects parents to be full-time teachers. Provide support and encouragement, and expect your children to do their part. The children have a weekly timetable with all of their regular activities and these are being set daily by their class teacher. The teacher knows what your child can achieve and they should be able to complete tasks with some or a little support. If they can't, please contact the teacher via the class email so they can help you to know what to focus on. Children can complete the work on Google docs but also complete the work on paper at home and then photograph and upload it. If you are unsure about how to do this, please speak to your child's teacher.

Keeping Safe online

- Please regularly monitor what your child is completing online and ensure that they know what to do if there is something that they are unhappy about. Please read the information above designed for children so that you know what to do.
- Remember to ensure that you have the right parental settings on any apps that your child can have access to.
- If you need to report something that your child has access to online, ensuring you use Child Exploitation and Online Protection command (CEOP) (<https://www.ceop.police.uk/safety-centre/>) and the UK Safer Internet Centre (<https://www.saferinternet.org.uk/our-helplines>)



Please remember that we are here to help so do contact us with any of your worries or concerns and we will endeavour to get it sorted.