

Remote Education Provision



Information for Parents and Carers

Our Catholic Mission and Values

At St Simon's Catholic Primary School, Christ is at the centre of all that we do. Guided by the teachings of Jesus, we strive to create a welcoming, nurturing and inclusive community where every child is valued, respected and encouraged to reach their full potential.

Our Catholic faith underpins all aspects of school life and inspires us to live out Gospel values each day. We encourage our children to grow in faith, love and service, developing qualities such as compassion, kindness, honesty, forgiveness, respect and resilience.

During any period of remote education, we remain committed to supporting not only our pupils' academic progress but also their spiritual, moral, social and emotional development. Through prayer, worship, reflection and strong home-school partnerships, we continue to foster a sense of belonging and community, ensuring that every child feels connected, supported and valued as a member of the St Simon's family.

Working together with parents, carers, parish and the wider community, we seek to help our children become confident learners, responsible citizens and faithful followers of Christ, living out our mission to love, learn and grow together in God's care.

Introduction

At St Simon of England Catholic Primary School, we are committed to ensuring that all pupils continue to receive a high-quality education should circumstances require learning to take place away from the classroom.

Remote education may be provided when:

- A pupil is unable to attend school for a period of time due to exceptional circumstances.
- A group of pupils or a class cannot attend school.
- School closure is required due to unforeseen events.



We will work closely with families to ensure that every child can continue to access learning and remain connected to their teachers and classmates.

Curriculum Delivery

Will my child be taught the same curriculum as they would be in school?

Wherever possible, pupils will continue to follow the same curriculum that is taught in school.

Teachers will:

- Deliver learning that follows the National Curriculum and our school curriculum.
- Prioritise English, Mathematics, Religious Education and foundation subjects.
- Ensure learning remains ambitious, engaging and appropriate for pupils' age and stage of development.
- Adapt activities where resources available at home may differ from those available in school.

Daily Learning Expectations

We expect pupils to engage in learning for approximately:

Phase	Daily Learning Time
EYFS	2-3 hours
Key Stage 1	3 hours
Key Stage 2	4 hours

This includes:

- Teacher-directed learning
- Independent work
- Reading
- Online learning activities
- Feedback and review time



Accessing Remote Learning

How will learning be provided?

Learning may be accessed through:

- Microsoft Teams
- Purple Mash
- School website
- Educational websites and online platforms
- Email communication
- Printed learning packs where necessary

Teachers will provide clear instructions and learning sequences so that pupils can work as independently as possible.

Technology and Equipment Support

We recognise that some families may experience difficulties accessing online learning.

Where possible, the school will:

- Loan laptops or tablets to eligible families.
- Provide printed learning packs.
- Signpost families to available government or local support schemes.
- Offer alternative methods for submitting work.
- Support parents in accessing online learning platforms.

Parents experiencing difficulties should contact the school office as soon as possible.

Remote Teaching Approaches

Remote education may include:

Live Teaching

Where appropriate, teachers may deliver:

- Live lessons
- Small group teaching sessions
- Intervention groups



- Reading sessions

Recorded Teaching

Teachers may provide:

- Pre-recorded lessons
- Video explanations
- Demonstration videos
- Assembly recordings

Independent Learning

Pupils may complete:

- Written tasks
- Reading activities
- Research projects
- Practical investigations
- Creative curriculum activities

Reading

Reading remains a priority during periods of remote learning.

Children will be encouraged to:

- Read daily.
- Share reading with an adult whenever possible.
- Access online reading resources.
- Continue phonics practice where appropriate.

Feedback and Assessment

Teachers will:

- Review work submitted by pupils.
- Provide regular feedback.
- Adapt future teaching in response to pupils' understanding.



- Celebrate achievement and effort.

Feedback may be provided through:

- Written comments
 - Verbal feedback
 - Online platforms
 - Telephone conversations where appropriate
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Attendance and Engagement

We expect pupils to engage with remote education each school day.

Teachers will monitor:

- Participation
- Completion of learning activities
- Communication with families

Where engagement is a concern, the school will:

- Contact parents or carers.
 - Offer support and guidance.
 - Work collaboratively to remove barriers to learning.
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Supporting Pupils with SEND

We recognise that some pupils with additional needs may require further support.

The school will:

- Adapt learning activities where required.
 - Provide differentiated resources.
 - Maintain communication with parents and carers.
 - Offer advice through the SENDCo.
 - Liaise with external agencies where appropriate.
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Safeguarding Online

Safeguarding remains our highest priority.

Staff will:

- Follow the school's safeguarding and online safety procedures.
- Use approved platforms for communication.
- Maintain professional standards when delivering remote education.

Parents are encouraged to:

- Monitor their child's online activity.
 - Ensure learning takes place in a suitable environment.
 - Report any concerns immediately to the school.
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Wellbeing and Mental Health

At St Simon's, we recognise the importance of supporting both emotional wellbeing and academic progress.

We will:

- Maintain regular contact with families.
- Promote positive wellbeing activities.
- Provide opportunities for pupils to connect with their class community.
- Offer pastoral support where needed.
- Signpost families to additional support services.

Our Catholic ethos remains central to all that we do, and we will continue to support pupils spiritually, emotionally and socially during periods of remote learning.

Communication

Parents can contact the school if they require:

- Technical support.
- Assistance accessing learning.
- Advice regarding their child's learning or wellbeing.
- Additional resources.



We encourage parents to communicate any concerns promptly so that we can work together to support every child.

Online Safety

At St Simon's Catholic Primary School, the safety and wellbeing of our pupils is paramount. We are committed to ensuring that all children use technology safely, responsibly and respectfully when accessing remote learning.

The school will:

- Use approved and secure platforms for remote learning and communication.
- Ensure that all online learning activities are age-appropriate and accessible.
- Follow the school's safeguarding, child protection and online safety policies at all times.
- Provide guidance and support to pupils and families on staying safe online.
- Investigate and respond promptly to any concerns relating to online safety or inappropriate use of technology.

Pupils are expected to:

- Use school-provided platforms responsibly and for educational purposes only.
- Communicate respectfully with teachers and classmates.
- Keep usernames, passwords and personal information secure.
- Report any concerns, inappropriate content or online behaviour to a trusted adult immediately.
- Follow the school's Acceptable Use Agreement when using digital devices and online resources.

Parents and carers can support online safety by:

- Supervising their child's online learning where possible.
- Ensuring that devices are used in a shared family space where appropriate.
- Monitoring their child's online activity and internet use.
- Encouraging safe and positive online behaviour.
- Contacting the school if they have any concerns about online safety or their child's wellbeing.



By working together, we can ensure that remote learning remains a safe, positive and productive experience for all members of the St Simon's community. Online safety is a shared responsibility, and we encourage open communication between pupils, parents and school staff to help children develop the knowledge and skills needed to navigate the digital world safely and confidently.

Review of Provision

The school will regularly review its remote education provision to ensure that it continues to meet the needs of pupils and families.

Named Lead for Remote Education: Headteacher (Mrs Bryant)

SEND Support: SENDCo (Mrs Chambers)

Safeguarding Lead: Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL – Mrs Bryant)

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