

6th January 2021

Arrangements for the Start of Term

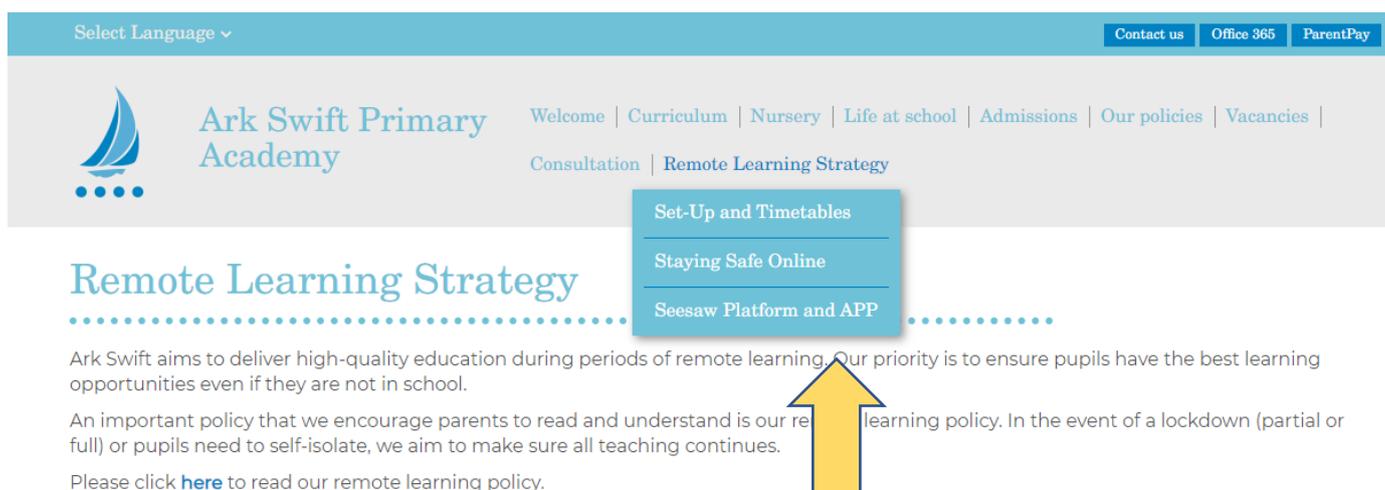
Dear Parents and Carers,

On Monday, the Government announced a national lockdown with most of our children moving to remote learning with immediate effect. We expect this to last until at least February half-term.

The school will remain open for any pupil classified as vulnerable or a child of a key worker (as described [here](#)) from Thursday 7th January. We have already confirmed children who are due to start this provision tomorrow. If you require a place and have not informed us, please contact the school by Friday 8th January and we will aim to allocate a place from Monday 11th January if space permits.

We are well-prepared to support your child in school or remotely. For details about your child's remote learning timetable and the support we will offer, please head to our website:

www.arkswift.org



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Remote Learning Strategy

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Ark Swift aims to deliver high-quality education during periods of remote learning. Our priority is to ensure pupils have the best learning opportunities even if they are not in school.

An important policy that we encourage parents to read and understand is our remote learning policy. In the event of a lockdown (partial or full) or pupils need to self-isolate, we aim to make sure all teaching continues.

Please click [here](#) to read our remote learning policy.

Please take some time to visit each of the three sub-menus:

- **Set-Up and Timetables**
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If you have any questions once you have read this information, please get in touch with us. **We are here to help your child keep learning during lockdown.**

The most effective remote learning requires pupils to access some of their learning online. If your child does not have access to a suitable device which enables them to participate in their timetable, please get in touch with the school office. Where possible, we will provide pupils in Key Stage 2 with a Chromebook to support learning at home.

Finally, we will continue to provide free school meals vouchers to those eligible and will send you more information in the usual way.

This is a difficult time for all, but we now must work together to keep our community safe. Please ensure you follow the current [guidance](#). Stay Home. Protect the NHS. Save Lives.

Thank you very much for your continued support. I will be in touch soon with more updates.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'D. Upfield'. The signature is stylized, with a large 'D' and a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Daniel Upfield
Principal