

Avondale Primary School – Remote Learning Questionnaire Feedback

Feb 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

I am writing to thank you for responding to our questionnaire regarding your family's experience of remote learning. It is really helpful for us as a school to know what we are doing well as well as receive feedback on how we can further improve our remote learning offer. We had 144 responses in total and there was a good spread across year groups. Feedback has been shared with staff and governors and as a leadership team we aim to continue to deliver a high quality remote learning offer.

The staff and I would like to thank you for your kind words of support in the responses; this has been a time of great challenge, but as a school, we have pulled together to support one another both virtually and in person.

Kind regards

Mrs Duckett

Please find below details of responses given.

Parents were asked to select from the following options: Strongly Agree, Agree, N/A Unknown, Disagree	% of people
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Strongly Agree• Agree• N/A Unknown
Question 1	
I am happy with the remote learning on offer at Avondale school e.g. online learning, teacher Zoom calls and learning booklets.	99%
Question 2	
School provides sufficient school work to complete daily (Government recommendation - average 3 hours for Key Stage 1 and 4 hours for Key Stage 2).	97%
Question 3	
My child is coping well with the amount of work given.	97%
Question 4	
My child is coping well working in the home environment.	99%
Question 5	
I know how to access additional work for my child if they need it e.g. school website, TT Rockstars, Oak National Academy etc.	93%
Question 6	
Instructions are clear on what is expected of my child during home learning.	99%
Question 7	
My child is enjoying the daily Zoom lessons with their teacher.	99%
Question 8	

Daily Zooms are useful and have supported my child with their learning.	97%
Question 9	
The recorded Zooms are really helpful.	99%
Question 10	
Home learning provision this lockdown is more focused than provision last lockdown.	98%
Question 11	
School maintains regular contact with my child e.g. daily Zooms, phone calls home, feedback/marking of working.	97%
Question 12	
Communication has been regular and clear from school during the current lockdown period e.g. letters home, text messages, school newsletters.	99%
Question 13	
If my child has been unable to attend the Zoom session I have been able to use the recorded Zoom session to support them.	94%
Question 14	
My child enjoys online learning.	89%
Question 15	
My child is becoming more confident when accessing Purple Mash (Rec, yr. 1, yr. 2, yr. 3, yr. 4) Google Classrooms yr. 5 and yr. 6).	96%
Question 16	
Lessons are sequenced and progressive.	97%
Question 17	
Teachers provide regular feedback e.g. written feedback, feedback on the Zoom call.	99%
Question 18	
My child knows how to stay safe online during home learning.	99%
Question 19	
School have provided my child with a home learning booklet if unable to access online learning or to supplement online learning.	99%
Question 20	
My child enjoys working through their home learning booklet.	92%
Question 21	
I know how to receive feedback on my child's work e.g. sending a photo of work to class email address, attend Zoom call.	96%
Question 22	
The home learning booklet covers a variety of subjects e.g. Maths, English, Science, History etc.	98%
Question 23	
I am kept up to date with any changes made in school.	99%
Question 24	
I am happy with the provision school has provided for my child.	98%

Question 25	
My child is happy coming to school.	99%
Question 26	
Lessons and groupings are more focused this lockdown.	99%
Question 27	
My child has been able to access remote learning if they have not been in school every day.	98%

How can our school provide you with more support for home learning?	
You said...	We did...
For me I would prefer to know the learning objectives ahead of the week so I can help facilitate learning towards that.	An overview for the weekly learning will now be shared at the start of the week.
A device for home learning would increase the amount of home work done on a day-to-day basis.	School have loaned out over 70 devices to families who needed one. We have just a few left, please get in touch if you need one.
A round up on the Zoom lessons would be useful so parents know what has happened /what's expected - I am working from home at the same time as my child is learning & I can't always listen in.	A summary of the days learning is located on google classrooms Year 5 and 6 and Purple Mash for Reception, Year 1, 2, 3 and 4. A recording of the daily Zoom session is also located on these learning platforms.
More information on what's expected for them to do e.g. printed homework pack which was sent home	Learning packs are provided and updated every two weeks, please work through the whole pack over the two weeks – they are available from the office for collection. Additional guidance on the online work set can be found via your child's online portal.
The text messages and daily Zoom calls are great to keep updated with what is going on. Maybe at the end of term have a Zoom party in the afternoon similar to how they would do something fun if at school.	For end of term reward time, this Friday morning Zoom will be a 'fun' Zoom session. Many classes are holding quiz sessions or playing games! We have also tried to incorporate a short 'fun' activity into our weekly/daily Zooms.
It would be good if children who needed a little extra support with a certain task/project had the chance to be able to speak to the teacher face-to-face for them	Class teachers now stay on at the end of a Zoom call in order to talk through any questions children may need explaining again. Children can also ask any question

to explain it in more detail or address specific issues	through Purple Mash/google classrooms. Some teachers and support staff are holding additional zooms for some children who may need extra support e.g. extra phonic sessions with Mrs Nuttall, extra reading session with Mrs Thomas.
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What could we do to improve our approach to home learning?

You said...	We did...
Some of the online work assumes access to a printer, which not all families have.	Teachers now make it clear how work can be recorded in different ways eg writing in a work book, talking it through with a teddy, editing work online.
Add more ad hoc work to Purple Mash which could be utilised at any time	Our school website has links to many optional activities that children can complete once they have finished work set. https://www.avondaleschool.co.uk/children
The only thing I can think of is 1-1 calls/catch ups with the children.	Staff make at least weekly calls to families – it would also be lovely to speak to the children for a catch up. We would love you to encourage your child to do this where possible.
Reading books.	Please see our reading letter for lots of ways to continue with your reading. https://spark.adobe.com/page/Kl3rQi3wnBmT7/ We also have a book swap stall in front of our office – please feel free to swap a book!
Maybe not quite as much work should be set, then the children wouldn't feel under pressure??	It is a requirement by the government that there should be 3 hours of learning for key stage 1 and 4 hours of learning provided for key stage 2. We know that home situations are very different and if your child is struggling with the amount of work set, please speak to your child's teacher so support/adaptations can be put in place.
More PE to be included	PE activities should be encouraged weekly. If your child particularly enjoys PE maybe they could choose to complete more PE activities during Fun Day Fri-yay afternoon.
To be able to send in the home booklets to school to be marked	We want to provide immediate feedback for your child in terms of both next steps and positive praise. For this to happen we ask parents to email in photos of your child's work daily – the teacher will respond that day which will hopefully motivate your child to complete additional work the following day.

What you said we are doing well ...

Good communication and keeping us updated. Checking in. Having work available should we need more.

Communication is excellent and I feel if I have any questions I could call/email school for support. I feel that the work set out each day is clear and my child can follow what needs to be completed.

Fantastic teaching and contact from staff. Feedback emails are prompt and detailed for my child to read. Weekly phone calls to provide support are appreciated. The learning content is well thought out and suited to their current theme.

Communication between the teachers and children on the Zoom calls are absolutely fantastic. They are all acknowledged and all given the opportunity to answer any Questions. I also like how the teachers are genuinely interested in what the children have been up to over weekends or evenings and keeping the relationship between them going as it would be if they were all together in the classroom.

I think it is fantastic that the children have been kept in year bubbles and with teachers they are familiar with. This has been a huge positive for me during this lockdown. All of the staff have been incredible - welcoming xxxxx to school each morning with a big smile (behind their masks) and supporting xxx in his learning. He comes out of school skipping each night which is a real comfort when I have to wrangle with having to send him during lockdown due to work commitments. I can't thank the teachers and staff enough. I appreciate it must be incredibly difficult for them to have to go to work each day in the circumstances - please know all your efforts are valued and appreciated more than you can imagine.

Making sure everyone is updated with all the information about school and making sure children are learning

A huge thank you to you all, keep being the wonderful teachers, support staff, office staff and cleaners that you all are. You're doing amazing, and it so so appreciated more than I could ever say.

Everything is perfect for us. I feel xxxx is challenged enough whilst I can work. The Zoom calls are fantastic so she can see her friends and gain feedback.

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The twice daily interactions via Zoom are transforming the children's lockdown experience. Even if there are glitches or slow connections the benefit is still tremendous. Thank you.

Everything, we are so happy and do not feel you could do any more than you already are.

The variety of the work set is excellent & there are lots of different resources to look at so it keeps her entertained. The pieces of work are the right length too so she doesn't get bored.

Regular contact with children through Zoom about the work makes a massive difference and is really helping the transition back to remote learning.

Bubbles, remaining positive, keeping parents well informed, trying to keep everything as "normal" as possible. You're all doing an amazing job and I can't thank you all enough, especially keeping our children safe in school.

Positive replies when work is handed in to maintain child's motivation. Great points given to further challenge his work and correct any mistakes made.