

School Improvement Service

Daily Covid briefing
Monday 18 January 2021

Good evening everyone

THANK YOU FOR YOUR RESPONSES TO OUR DIGITAL SURVEY

Digital Devices

- If your school has not already ordered your allocation of digital devices through the DfE then you should follow the process outlined here - <https://get-help-with-tech.education.gov.uk/devices/how-to-order>
- If you wish to query your allocation of devices you can do so here. <https://get-help-with-tech.education.gov.uk/devices/device-allocations#how-to-query-an-allocation>. The DfE is currently prioritising delivering each school their current allocation to make sure they have devices to lend to pupils. **However, if schools do not have enough devices for the students who need them then you may consider querying your allocation.**

Internet access

- There is a scheme to temporarily increase data allowances for mobile phone users on certain networks. This is so that disadvantaged children and young people can access remote education, and they do not have access to broadband at home. More information on how a school can request mobile data increases is here <https://get-help-with-tech.education.gov.uk/about-increasing-mobile-data>

Schools and trusts can request more 4G wireless routers for disadvantaged children in years 3 to 13 who are experiencing disruption do not have a broadband connection or access to the internet at home. More information is available here <https://get-help-with-tech.education.gov.uk/how-to-request-4g-wireless-routers>

GUIDANCE FOR SCHOOLS: CORONA VIRUS UPDATE

Please note that there has been an update today regarding safer travel, click on the link to view [Guidance for schools: Coronavirus, update](#)

MODEL REMOTE LEARNING POLICY WILL BE AVAILABLE TO ALL SCHOOLS THIS WEEK

Please look out for a link to the NYCC model school policy for remote learning which your school will have the option to adopt. Please remember that information about your school's **remote learning offer needs to be displayed on your website by 25 January.**

REMOTE EDUCATION FRAMEWORK FOR SCHOOLS AND FURTHER EDUCATION PROVIDERS

The DfE have produced a framework for internally monitoring remote support. Please find the link here [Remote Monitoring Framework](#)

REMINDER TO COMPLETE YOUR DAILY STATUS FORM

We are pleased that the vast majority of our NYCC educational settings are completing the daily return. Please complete daily educational settings are asked to complete the status form. Please provide your data by 2pm each working day.

REMINDER: NORTH YORKSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL WILL BE HOSTING A FREE WEBINAR IN CONJUNCTION WITH OAK NATIONAL

Wednesday 20th January from 1-2pm

The cross-phase webinar will be delivered by specialists working for the Oak Academy programme. Please see below for more information on Oak Academy.

The format of the webinar will include a 20 minute input from the Oak Academy specialists who will outline how to use Oak's Teacher Hub and Classroom features to support remote education, how to map your curriculum against Oak's resources and innovative uses of Oak beyond Covid-19. This will be followed by a Q&A session for delegates.

Questions can be raised during the meeting or can be sent through to the team for consideration prior to the session. If you would like to send any questions through prior to the session, please send them via email to schoolimprovementservice@northyorks.gov.uk before the end of Monday 18th January. Alternatively, questions can be asked during the session.

To join the webinar, simply reply to this email to say that you plan to attend and then click on the link below on the day;

[Click here to join the meeting](#)

Please feel free to forward this email to a colleague within school who may wish to attend in your place but please note that the target audience for this webinar is a headteacher or their senior leader representatives.

Looking forward to seeing you at the webinar.

About Oak National Academy

Oak National Academy is a resource hub and online classroom created by teachers, for teachers. It provides nearly 10,000 free high-quality video lessons and editable slides and worksheets, with content across primary, secondary and specialist schools.

Oak was created in April 2020 as a national response to the pandemic. Since then, it has delivered over 30 million lessons to students across England and beyond.

Website: <https://www.thenational.academy/>

[Sign up to the Oak National Academy newsletter](#) to keep up to date with the latest news

You can familiarise yourself with our resources before the webinar by exploring our [Teacher Hub](#) and [Online Classroom](#)

Useful resources

- [NSPCC guidance to undertaking remote support safely](#)
- The BBC have released details of their enhanced learning offer [BBC Teach Channel](#)
- <https://my.chartered.college/2020/04/selected-links-free-online-and-paper-based-home-learning-tools-and-resources/>
- **Ofsted have released a guideline document regarding remote learning today**
- [What's working well in remote education?](#)
- The EEF have produced a helpful guide for schools [EEF guide to remote learning](#)