



Weekly Update

16th October 2020

Parent Consultation Arrangements

Parent Consultations ZOOM invites will be sent out on Monday 19th October. Can you please **name your computer with your child's name—otherwise you may not be allowed in.** When you join at your allocated time, you will wait in the waiting room and teachers will admit you. Please be aware that teachers will need to keep to the allocated 10min time slots, so other parents are not waiting for too long. If you need to continue your conversation please arrange a phone call with the teacher.

Please bear with us with managing this new format and technology. Unfortunately at the moment there are no alternatives to these ZOOM consultations. However, please email the school office if you are having difficulty accessing ZOOM.

Reports—will not be sent home this term. Rather, children in Y2—Y6 will come home today with their PiXL diagnostic assessments results. This will form the main discussion of the consultation. As always, please do not overthink these assessments, as your class teachers will discuss them in the meeting. If your child is on the SEND register, we will send home their SEND Support Plan today.

Remote Learning Survey

Could parents please complete the attached survey (separate email) regarding your child's access to a computer, the internet and ZOOM/TEAMS. In anticipation of sending children home, closing bubbles or a whole school closure, we would like some feedback on accessing remote learning.

Half term Holiday—Quarantine

Please follow the latest DfE and Government advice for countries on the quarantine list. You will need to quarantine if you go to a country not on the 'safe' list.

Reception Book-Bags

Just a reminder—children in Reception will need to bring their book bag into school on Friday and these will be returned (with new books in) on Monday.

Friends Dressing up Day

Just a reminder that next Friday (23rd) is Dressing Up day—this can be any outfit (not Halloween themed!). Please make sure children do not wear masks or face paints.

A few reminders.....

Secondary School Applications

Please remember that Secondary School applications need to be completed by 31st October. All the information is available online. <https://www.bracknell-forest.gov.uk/schools-and-learning/schools/school-admissions/starting-secondary-school/how-do-i-apply>

If you are waiting for a test—the whole family needs to self-isolate until you have the test results. Please send any test results in via COVIDtest@birchhillprimaryschool.co.uk

Recording Absence

Please register any absence via the online form available on the website at <https://www.birchhillprimaryschool.co.uk/page/?title=Report+your+child+absent&pid=313>

Dates for your Diary

Parent Consultations	4-7pm—Tuesday 20th October (Via ZOOM) 4-7pm—Thursday 22nd October (Via ZOOM)
INSET DAY	MONDAY 2ND NOVEMBER
Scholastic Virtual Book Fair	Friday 13th November (further details to follow)
Year 6 Residential Meeting	6.00-6.45pm Thursday 12th November
Year 4 Residential Meeting (Oakwood)	6.00-6.45pm Thursday 19th November
Year 5 Residential Meeting (Oakwood)	4.30-5.15pm Thursday 26th November