


Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you to everyone who has completed our access consent form and subsequently signed their children into their Google Classroom.

I have noticed that a number of children are yet to join their online classroom and we would urge you to login to their accounts, using the email and password provided to you in letters sent home last month. Please do not worry if you have misplaced the letter, we will be resending this login information via email to all those who have given consent but not yet joined the class over the next few days.

Google Classroom will be our online learning platform as we move forwards and not only in times of Covid-19 and self-isolation. Please do not get left behind and complete the [access consent form](#) so that your child can access this valuable resource.

Have a lovely weekend



Richard Ferris
Headteacher

Family Learning

We are delighted to be working with the Family Learning Team at Bracknell Forest to provide some online 'Keeping up with the Kids' English sessions. Full details were emailed out this week and can be found on our website in the [News section](#).

Attendance Stars

Classes with the highest attendance this week:

- 1st Place – Falcons (100%)
- 2nd Place – Kestrels (99.6%)
- 3rd Place – Foxes (99%)



Communications Round-up

Please check you have read these important messages this week.

[Letter from Mary Davies, CEO, MET](#)

[Letter from Mr Ferris regarding End of Term](#)

Copies of all our letters can be found on our website [here](#). If you have any questions, please get in touch with the school office.

FROGS Events

Don't forget that the FROGS are organising several Christmas events this year. Full details of these, including how to take part, can be found in their recent newsletter which is available on our website [here](#).

The FROGS do a fantastic job of raising money and helping to buy GREAT equipment and resources that benefit all of our pupils. Please do support them if you can!

Free School Meals over the Christmas Holidays

The local authority is in the process of arranging vouchers for the Christmas period for families in receipt of benefit-related free school meals. These vouchers will be emailed out to families by the end of next week.

If you feel that you may be entitled to benefit-related free school meals, please apply online at: <https://www.bracknell-forest.gov.uk/schools-and-learning/schools/school-meals/how-do-i-apply-free-school-meals>

TikTok Update Parental Controls with Family Pairing Feature

TikTok is used by many teenagers and sometimes children younger than 13 despite its terms and conditions. Using the new Family Pairing feature can allow parents to guide their child's TikTok experience in a safer way. Features include:

- Search – Decide what can be searched for. This includes content, users, hashtags or sounds
- Screen Time Management – Sets how long your teen can spend on TikTok each day
- Discoverability – Decide on the account being private (you decide who can see their content) or public (anyone can search and view content)

To find out more information about TikTok's pairing feature and download a helpful poster go to <https://swgfl.org.uk/magazine/tiktok-update-parental-controls-with-family-pairing-feature/>

Covid-19 Updates

Changes to the number of days contacts are required to isolate

It has been announced today that contacts of confirmed cases will need to isolate for 10 days rather than 14 from Monday. We are awaiting further information about this from the Department for Education and will write to you with further details in due course. The BBC has information at the following link: <https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/health-55274147>

Local Information

Bracknell is currently rated as Tier 2 'high' risk and residents will need to follow the rules appropriate for the tier. This means that:

- You must not socialise with anyone you do not live with or who is not in your support bubble in any indoor setting, whether at home or in a public place
- You must not socialise in a group of more than six people outside, including in a garden or public space

Full details of the current restrictions can be found on the Bracknell Forest website at: <https://www.bracknell-forest.gov.uk/node/7558> or on the government website at: <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/local-restriction-tiers-what-you-need-to-know>

Department for Education Guidance

We have received the following guidance from the Department for Education that we would like to share with our parents/carers.

- Where a pupil or staff member tests positive for Coronavirus (Covid-19), having developed symptoms more than 48 hours since being in school, the school should not be contacted. Parents and carers should follow contact tracing instructions provided by NHS Test and Trace.
- For the first six days after teaching ends, if a pupil or staff member tests positive for Coronavirus (Covid-19), having developed symptoms within 48 hours of being in school, the school is asked to assist in identifying close contacts and advising self-isolation, as the individual may have been infectious whilst in school.
- School staff are not asked to remain on-call or conduct any contact tracing more than six days after the final day of teaching. Where a schools last teaching day is on Thursday 17 December, there should be no pupil contact tracing asks beyond Wednesday 23 December.

Where pupils are required to self-isolate due to contact with a positive case after the first six days following the end of term, schools do not need to be informed about their absence until the first day of the new term.

TIER 2 HIGH ALERT

FROM 2 DEC

MEETING FRIENDS AND FAMILY  <p>No mixing of households indoors, apart from support bubbles. Maximum of six outdoors.</p>	BARS, PUBS AND RESTAURANTS  <p>Pubs and bars must close, unless operating as restaurants. Hospitality venues can only serve alcohol with substantial meals. Venues must stop taking orders at 10pm and must close by 11pm.</p>	RETAIL  <p>Open.</p>	WORK AND BUSINESS  <p>Everyone who can work from home should do so.</p>
EDUCATION  <p>Early years settings, schools, colleges and universities open. Childcare, other supervised activities for children, and childcare bubbles permitted.</p>	INDOOR LEISURE  <p>Open.</p>	ACCOMMODATION  <p>Open.</p>	PERSONAL CARE  <p>Open.</p>
OVERNIGHT STAYS  <p>Permitted with household or support bubble.</p>	WEDDINGS AND FUNERALS  <p>15 guests for weddings, civil partnerships, wedding receptions and wakes; 30 for funerals.</p>	ENTERTAINMENT  <p>Open.</p>	PLACES OF WORSHIP  <p>Open, but cannot interact with anyone outside household or support bubble.</p>
TRAVELLING  <p>Reduce the number of journeys you make and walk or cycle if possible. Avoid busy times and routes on public transport. Avoid car sharing with those outside of your household or support bubble. Avoid entering a Tier 3 area, other than where necessary such as for work or education. Further exemptions apply.</p>	EXERCISE  <p>Classes and organised adult sport can take place outdoors, but cannot take place indoors if there is any interaction between people from different households. Organised activities for elite athletes, under-18s and disabled people can continue.</p>	RESIDENTIAL CARE  <p>COVID-secure arrangements such as substantial screens, visiting pods, and window visits. Outdoor/airtight visits only (rollout of rapid testing will enable indoor visits including contact).</p>	LARGE EVENTS  <p>Sport, live performances and business meetings limited to 50% capacity or 2000 people outdoors (whichever is lower) and 50% capacity or 1000 people indoors (whichever is lower)</p>



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CHRISTMAS FUN DAYS

MULTI SPORTS, PERFORMING ARTS, ARTS & CRAFTS!

MONDAY 21ST DECEMBER – WEDNESDAY 23RD DECEMBER 2020



Location
Fox Hill Primary School,
Pondmoor Road, Bracknell RG12 7JZ
8.00am – 6.00pm

We are fully compliant with COVID-19 Government Guidelines
If we have to cancel due to any COVID-19 restrictions, a full refund will be given.

OPEN TO CHILDREN AGED 5 (SCHOOL YEAR 1) – 12

FROM £18.00 PER DAY

Additional costs for early drop offs & late pick ups - please see booking page for details

We accept Childcare Vouchers, Tax-Free Childcare and we are OFSTED registered!

Please bring: Lunch, Snacks, Waterproof Kit & Refillable Drinks Bottle.

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