



Re: PS/PB 10/06/2020

Dear Parents/Carers,

## Latest Update, June 2020

You will no doubt have seen the news that the government has now decided against a full return to school for all year groups before the end of the summer term. This means that we will now remain in our current arrangement for the rest of this academic year. I am sure that many of you and your children will feel really disappointed at this news and we are as well. We had very much hoped that we would have been given clearance to invite all children back for a period of time but this will not happen now. I am really sorry.

If you have a child in year R, 1 or 6 who has not yet returned to school but you feel that you would like them to then we shall need to know your intentions by **this Friday (12th June.)** This will allow us to plan for what little capacity we have left and decide if we can admit those children whose parents have expressed a wish for them to return. Soon after Monday 15th June we will close all our teaching bubbles for the remainder of the academic year and no further children will be admitted to school as we will be at capacity. If you are a key worker or you feel that your child is vulnerable then could you also let us know as soon as possible if you will be requiring a place at school because pressure on these places is now intense. **You can inform us of your intentions by e-mailing; [admin@bransgore.hants.sch.uk](mailto:admin@bransgore.hants.sch.uk).**

The situation described above means that home learning for children in years 2, 3, 4 and 5 and those not yet returned in R, 1 and 6 becomes extremely important. Teachers have expressed a little worry that there appears to be a tailing off in the number of pupils completing work, or completing work to a standard that we would expect of them over the past couple of weeks. Please can I ask that you make online home learning a top priority each day? We have really tried not to overwhelm you with too many expectations and pressure but we must stress the vital need for children to keep their maths and English learning sharp. If you have been doing the work, well done, keep it up, if you've dropped off a bit, please get back into good habits and if you have done little or none of the home learning to date, it is not too late and starting now could make all the difference. You have been amazing so far, let's keep the teamwork going for each other.

Can I please remind you about the important pupil learning and progress questionnaire we sent out to you a few days ago. This is in no way checking up on you and there is no judgement of you as a parent (or teacher!) but if you return the form with full and honest answers it will really help us build our strategy for helping and supporting the children when they all return to school. It may also allow us to offer you more help if things are not going well or as well as you hoped.

If you have any questions or queries about the children's home learning, pastoral issues or anything else you feel we can help with please do not hesitate to contact your child's teacher via the admin email above or if it is specifically about the set learning, via your child's G Mail account.



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The Secretary of State for Education announced on 18th March 2020, that the 2019/2020 national curriculum assessments will not take place due to the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic. This means that all Early Years Foundation stage, Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2 assessments and moderation are cancelled.

As a result of this, we are not able to provide end of year attainment assessments. You will recall that spring reports were sent out at the end of March and we would suggest that parents/carers look at the end of year prediction and whether their child was on their flightpath, for their attainment. As we have not been together since these reports were sent out we feel they are the most accurate picture of your child's attainment and progress to date and so summer reports will not be sent out this year.

These are indeed strange and unprecedented times and I am sorry that we have been disconnected from you all for so long but we are here to help you and we will do all we can to get everyone back to school as soon and as safely as possible.

Thanks again for your support, effort and care. Keep up the great work.

Stay safe and well,

Mr. Brown and the team.

