



OLD BUCKENHAM  
HIGH SCHOOL

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Dear Parents and Carers

Following the parent survey last week, I thought it was important to share with you what we have learnt from it and our experiences so far in this current school closure.

The overwhelming majority of parents, over 90% have said that the current remote learning provision and support for students is good or better. The comments of support have been very gratefully received and it makes a difference to our staff who are working extremely hard. There are some areas where we need to work on, connectivity is still an issue for some and I would encourage those families who are experiencing technical difficulties to contact the school. I am pleased that we have lent out over 100 devices so far. Where students are struggling or require more support do contact the school, Mrs Wabe and Mrs Picksley will always respond to any concerns, however small. As you may know MS Teams can be accessed via a Microsoft Xbox, if you have one at home you may want to look at the attached link which explains how to use the Xbox. You will need a keyboard and we have some to lend out, contact us if you would like one.

[https://youtu.be/R0QZZ\\_SFwLQ](https://youtu.be/R0QZZ_SFwLQ)

As part of our remote learning approach, students are encouraged to access 'live lessons' via the Microsoft Teams platform. When accessing this system, some basic personal data is shared with Microsoft (i.e. students name and school email address) The session may be recorded so other students can access the lesson later. Before joining a 'recorded' session, students will see a disclaimer advising of the recording. Participant attendance is recorded to monitor levels of engagement and identify any Safeguarding concerns.

It is very important that student's personal information is kept safe and there are measures in place to ensure this happens. The processing of this data relates to our public task to provide pupils with an education (Article 6, 1e) and our legal obligation to Safeguard children (Article 6, 1c) The General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR)

By accessing these 'live lessons' you are consenting to your child's data being stored and processed for this purpose. You may withdraw consent at any time by emailing [office@obhs.co.uk](mailto:office@obhs.co.uk)

As a result of the change in government policy we will no longer be testing students using lateral flow tests. It is very important that you follow government guidelines if your son/daughter is coming into school regarding self-isolation and testing.



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We still do not have any clarity about when the school will re-open or what the examination season will look like in the Summer. In the meantime, I would encourage you to keep supporting your son/daughter with their learning and contact us if you need any help.

Yours sincerely,



Mr A Fell  
Headteacher

