



## Ackworth Howard Church of England (VC) Junior and Infant School

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11<sup>th</sup> November 2021

### Parent Conferences

Dear Parents/Carers

On Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> November 2021, from 2:30pm to 7pm (10-minute appointments), we are holding our Parent Conferences. These will be offered through a blended approach as we would really like to see you in school so that you feel connected and have an opportunity to visit but we are also aware that some of you may feel anxious about coming into school given the Covid-19 rate in Wakefield at the moment. **You therefore have two choices, attend school in person for your meeting time or undertake a virtual appointment via Zoom/Telephone – please specify when booking in the notes section which option you would prefer.**

To ensure the smooth running of appointments, I would ask that you adhere to your allocated time, so that everyone has the opportunity to discuss the progress of their child/ren. Meetings will be **strictly limited to 10 minutes** and will follow this set agenda only:

- ***Information about how your child has settled into school this academic year.***
- ***Information regarding your child's learning and current attainment in school.***
- ***Information regarding your child's wellbeing and attitudes to learning.***

If you have anything in addition to this that you would like to discuss with your child's teacher, this should be communicated to us in the usual way, through the school office, at a time that is separate to the Parent Conferences.

***If you would like to make an appointment to attend your child/ren's Parent Conference/s, you can do so by following the specified invite link that will be sent out shortly. If you have any trouble with the online booking system, please do let us know.***

Due to time restraints during the evening, we can only accommodate 1 appointment per child so please bear this in mind before booking.

If attending virtually via Zoom, when accessing the appropriate teachers Zoom link, you will be allocated into the waiting room. Once ready, the teacher will then admit you to the session at the appropriate time. Please ensure your screen name will be familiar to the teacher so that they can

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grant access to the correct parent/carer. If for any reason there are technical difficulties, teachers will phone as an alternative. The Zoom links for each class will be communicated nearer the time.

**As Mr. Barstow will not be present on Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> November, he will be undertaking the Year 6 parent meetings split over Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> November (3pm-5:30pm), again these can be booked using the online system.**

The link for booking will be sent out by the end of the week.

We hope that you find the meetings useful.

Yours sincerely,



Mr M Walker

Headteacher



### **Additional Information**

**Please do not attend meetings in school if you feel unwell or have any Covid-like symptoms. We are also politely requesting people to take a lateral flow test before attending parents' meetings in school – but please note that we will NOT be asking for proof of this. We just think it's sensible to ask people to take precautions to protect themselves and other members of our school community.**