Our Ref: LD/cc/DLE/Year7Assessments

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Dear Parents / Carers

Year 7 Assessments and Feedback



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In everything we do, we are trying to make things as 'normal' as possible for pupils. Therefore, we are going to be sticking to our assessment schedule as closely as possible, even though pupils will be completing assessments remotely.

The table below summarises how assessments will take place this half term in each subject.

The aim is not to provide pupils with a grade so there is no point in them cheating by using notes, revision guides, etc. Pupils should do what they can from memory. The aim is to make sure pupils know where their learning is secure and where they need to focus their attention next. It will also help teachers to inform their planning in order to plug pupils' knowledge gaps.

I know that many pupils have already been appreciating being able to send teachers work via Teams or e-mail so they can receive feedback. Even with the constraint of most pupils having to remain in their homes, many pupils have made it work, even photographing work for their teachers to see where required. If your child has not been sending work for their teachers to give feedback on, please encourage them to do so for the remainder of the time we are off school.

Feedback is incredibly important and, when we are in school, we make sure that pupils always know the answers to these two questions in all of their subjects.

What am I doing well in this subject?

What do I need to do to improve my work in this subject?

For example: What are you doing well in English?' What do you need to do to improve in maths?'

Although we are not currently in school, the feedback they receive from their teachers once they have completed these online assessments will provide pupils with the answers to these questions.

Pupils will take these assessments during scheduled lesson time. Teachers will inform their classes directly WHEN they need the assessments to be completed.

Further detail about each assessment and what the feedback will look like in each subject is provided below.

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Make sure your child is logged into the school system or their assessment will not be identified as theirs and they will not be able to receive personalised feedback.

If your child cannot complete work electronically and currently receives work packs, the assessments will be included in the work packs for those weeks. For them to receive feedback on these assessments and any other work they have produced, please arrange with reception a time when you can bring the work into school. Alternatively, you can post it back or they can keep it to bring in to show their teachers after lockdown.

Pupils only complete the assessments for the subjects they have studied this term (not everything in the table below applies to your child).

If your child has any difficulty finding a particular subject's assessment, or if they have questions related to that specific assessment, they need to contact their teacher for that subject using the Chat function of Teams.

Subject	Description of assessment	What feedback will look like
Art	Pupils will complete a Microsoft	The multiple choice questions will be marked
	Forms quiz which will consist of	automatically with feedback and next steps
	multiple choice questions. This	being generated from this. This will be shown
	will be assessing their knowledge	through Microsoft Forms.
	of the visual elements and art	2
	movements.	For individual feedback they click onto the
		original link sent to them. Their teacher will
	This quiz will be scheduled for	let them know when their feedback is ready.
	some of the lesson time during the	
	week commencing 1 st February .	
	The individual class teacher will	
	explain precisely when they want	
	it to be completed.	
Computer	Pupils will complete a Microsoft	The multiple-choice questions are marked
Science	Forms quiz which will consist	automatically using Microsoft Forms. The
	mainly of multiple-choice	written answer questions will be Teacher
	questions but will also incorporate	marked through Microsoft Forms.
	some written answer questions.	
	This will be assessing their	For individual feedback they click onto the
	knowledge of Algorithms;	original link sent to them. Their teacher will
	searching and sorting.	let them know when their feedback is ready.
	This quiz will be scheduled for	
	some of the lesson time during the	
	week commencing 1 st February.	
	The individual class teacher will	
	explain precisely when they want	
	it to be completed.	
Dance	Pupils will complete a Microsoft	The multiple choice questions will be marked
	Forms quiz which will consist of	automatically with feedback and next steps
	multiple choice questions. This	being generated from this. This will be shown
	will be assessing their knowledge	through Microsoft Forms.

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If your child has any technical issues please email <u>itsupport@barrbeaconschool.co.uk</u>

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	of basic dance skills and how to warm up effectively. This quiz will be scheduled for some of the lesson time during the week commencing 1 st February. The individual class teacher will explain precisely when they want it to be completed.	For individual feedback they click onto the original link sent to them. Their teacher will let them know when their feedback is ready.
Drama	Pupils will complete a Microsoft Forms quiz which will consist of multiple choice questions. This will be assessing their knowledge of explorative strategies and how	The multiple choice questions will be marked automatically with feedback and next steps being generated from this. This will be shown through Microsoft Forms.
	they can be applied to practical work. This quiz will be scheduled for some of the lesson time during the week commencing 1 st February. The individual class teacher will explain precisely when they want it to be completed.	For individual feedback they click onto the original link sent to them. Their teacher will let them know when their feedback is ready.
English	Pupils will complete a Microsoft Forms quiz which will consist of some multiple choice questions and some extended writing questions that focus on reading and writing skills they have looked at this term. This will be assessing their knowledge of 'Speeches'.	The multiple choice questions will be marked automatically with feedback and next steps being generated from this. This will be shown through Microsoft Forms. For individual feedback they click onto the original link sent to them. Their teacher will let them know when their feedback is ready.
	This quiz will be scheduled for some of the lesson time during the week commencing 1 st February. The individual class teacher will explain precisely when they want it to be completed.	
Food	Pupils will complete a Microsoft Forms quiz which will consist of 30 multiple choice questions. This will be assessing their knowledge of health, safety and personal	The 30 multiple choice questions will be marked automatically with feedback and next steps being generated from this. This will be shown through Microsoft Forms.
	hygiene with a kitchen. This quiz will be scheduled for some of the lesson time during the week commencing 1 st February. They will be given 30 minutes to complete this. The individual class teacher will explain precisely when and how they want this assessment to be completed.	For individual feedback they click onto the original link sent to them. Their teacher will let them know when their feedback is ready.

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French	 Pupils will complete a Microsoft Forms quiz which will consist of multiple choice questions and comprehension questions. There will also be questions assessing their written and translation skills. This will be assessing their knowledge of the 'My Family' module they have been covering in lesson. This quiz will be scheduled for some of the lesson time during the week commencing 1st February. The individual class teacher will explain precisely when they want it to be completed. 	The multiple choice and comprehension questions will be marked automatically with feedback and next steps being generated from this. This will be shown through Microsoft Forms. Pupils will also receive feedback from their written and translation questions in the format of a target set around these areas. For individual feedback they click onto the original link sent to them. Their teacher will let them know when their feedback is ready.
Geography	 Pupils will complete a Microsoft Forms quiz which will consist of multiple-choice questions. This will be assessing their knowledge of the UK topic they are currently studying. Pupils will have one piece of extended writing. This quiz will be scheduled for some of the lesson time during the week commencing 25th January. The individual class teacher will explain precisely when they want it to be completed. 	The multiple-choice questions will be marked automatically with feedback and next steps being generated from this. Pupils will also receive written feedback for their extended writing. This will be a personalised target linked to their response. For individual feedback they click onto the original link sent to them. Their teacher will let them know when their feedback is ready.
German	 Pupils will complete a Microsoft Forms quiz which will consist of multiple choice questions and comprehension questions. There will also be questions assessing their written and translation skills. This will be assessing their knowledge of the 'My Family' module they have been covering in lesson. This quiz will be scheduled for some of the lesson time during the week commencing 8th February. The individual class teacher will explain precisely when they want it to be completed. 	The multiple choice and comprehension questions will be marked automatically with feedback and next steps being generated from this. This will be shown through Microsoft Forms. Pupils will also receive feedback from their written and translation questions in the format of a target set around these areas. For individual feedback they click onto the original link sent to them. Their teacher will let them know when their feedback is ready.

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History	Pupils will complete a Microsoft	The knowledge-based questions will be
	Forms assessment which will	marked automatically with feedback and next
	consist of a series of knowledge-	steps being generated from this. Pupils will
	based questions and a source-	also receive written feedback for their source-
	based question. This will be	based question. This will be a personalised
	assessing their knowledge of the	target linked to their response.
	Tudor period which they are	
	currently studying.	For individual feedback they click onto the
	This assessment will be scheduled	original link sent to them. Their teacher will
	for some of the lesson time during	let them know when their feedback is ready.
	the week commencing 8 th	
	February. The individual class	
	teacher will explain precisely	
	when they want it to be	
	completed.	
Maths	Pupils will complete a	The Mathswatch task will be automatically
	Mathswatch task which will	marked and pupils will be able to see their
	consist of a mixture of multiple-	mark at the end of the task.
	choice questions and reasoning	
	questions. This will be assessing	Pupils will also receive feedback for each
	their knowledge of content this	topic via their school email address which will
	half term, including decimals,	include additional resources they could use to
	percentages, area and perimeter.	practise topics from the task where they have
		misconceptions.
	The Mathswatch task will be	
	scheduled for some of the lesson	
	time during the week commencing	
	8 th February. The individual class	
	teacher will explain precisely	
	when this task will be completed.	
Media	Pupils will complete a Microsoft	The multiple choice questions will be marked
	Forms quiz which will consist of	automatically with feedback and next steps
	multiple-choice questions. This	being generated from this. This will be shown
	will be assessing their knowledge	through Microsoft Forms.
	of Media Industries and careers.	
	This quiz will be scheduled for	For individual feedback they click onto the
	some of the lesson time during the	original link sent to them. Their teacher will
	week commencing 8 th February.	let them know when their feedback is ready.
	The individual class teacher will	
	explain precisely when they want	
	it to be completed.	
Music	Pupils will complete a Microsoft	The multiple choice questions will be marked
	Forms quiz which will consist of	automatically with feedback and next steps
	multiple-choice questions. This	being generated from this. This will be shown
	will be assessing their knowledge	through Microsoft Forms.
	and understanding of the musical	
	elements with a significant focus	For individual feedback they click onto the
	on rhythmic notation. This quiz	original link sent to them. Their teacher will
	will be scheduled for some of the	let them know when their feedback is ready.
	lesson time during the week	
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Religious Education	commencing 1st February. The individual class teacher will explain precisely when they want it to be completed.Pupils will complete a Microsoft 	The multiple choice questions will be marked automatically with feedback and next steps being generated from this. This will be shown through Microsoft Forms. For individual feedback they click onto the original link sent to them. Their teacher will let them know when their feedback is ready.
Science	 Pupils will complete a Microsoft Forms quiz which will consist of multiple choice and short answer questions. This will be assessing their knowledge of Cells and Particles which they have covered since Christmas. The quiz will be scheduled for a complete lesson during the week commencing 8th February. They will have 60 minutes to complete the assessment. The individual class teacher will explain precisely when and how they want this assessment to be completed. 	The quiz will be marked automatically with feedback and next steps being generated from this. This will be shown through Microsoft Forms. The class teacher will then go through whole class feedback and set follow-up tasks during the feedback lesson that will follow the assessment.
Textiles	Pupils will complete a Microsoft Forms quiz which will consist of 30 multiple choice questions. This will be assessing their knowledge of health and safety in the textiles classroom, alongside basic textiles equipment and their uses. The assessment will also assess their knowledge on materials. This quiz will be scheduled for some of the lesson time during the week commencing 1 st February. They will be given 30 minutes to complete this. The individual class teacher will explain precisely when and how they want this assessment to be completed.	The 30 multiple choice questions will be marked automatically with feedback and next steps being generated from this. This will be shown through Microsoft Forms. For individual feedback they click onto the original link sent to them. Their teacher will let them know when their feedback is ready.

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If you have any general enquiries about the assessments and feedback, please contact Mr Lowbridge-Ellis, Deputy Headteacher: <u>dlowbridgeellis@barrbeaconschool.co.uk</u>

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely

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