



Business Performance Staying In-Touch Newsletter

Business Performance Team

This is the thirteenth edition of the Staying In Touch Newsletter produced by the Business Performance Team. Steve Buckingham and Geerthana Vigneswaran will be assisting with the census and attainment returns in 2020-2021.

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Summer and Autumn 2020 School Census returns

The Summer Census was cancelled by the DfE due to COVID 19. The Autumn Census will proceed on Thursday 1st October with a number of changes to assist with the gaps created by the missing data from the Summer. Access to the DfE guidance can be obtained via the following link:

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/complete-the-school-census>

Note: We advise for any future returns, schools must ensure well in advance that the person uploading the census has access to the relevant COLLECT blade. If you do not have access, you must submit a Data Collections service request form, which can take up to five working days for the DfE to process. The DfE have also changed the sign in process which could lead to delays in gaining access for newcomers

Follow the link below to be directed to this request form:

https://form.education.gov.uk/submitform.php?self=1&form_id=hGz7nZcsdnX&noLoginPrompt=1

Assessment Data Collections Summer 2020 & 2021

EYFSP, Phonics and Key Stages 1 & 2 were all cancelled in 2020. The DfE are arranging for all Year 2 pupils to sit the Phonics check in the second half of the Autumn Term (see attached link to the Guidance):

https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/914784/Administering_the_phonics_screening_check_to_year_2_pupils_in_the_2020_autumn_term_PDFA.pdf

The DfE will publish the Assessment and Reporting Arrangements (ARA) guidance documents for 2021 exams in October 2020. We will circulate these in the fortnightly School Leader

Briefing.

School Workforce Census 2020

The date for the next School Workforce Census is Thursday 5th November 2020. A number of changes have been made by the DfE to reduce the burden of data collection – see pages 7 & 8 of the guidance, link attached below:

https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/911654/School_workforce_guide_2020_v2.0.pdf

Census Dates 2020/2021

Data collection	Census day	Deadline for returns
Autumn Census 2020	Thursday 1st October 2020	Wednesday 28 th October 2020
Spring Census 2021	Thursday 21 st January 2021	Wednesday 17 th February 2021
Summer Census 2021	Thursday 20 th May 2021	Wednesday 16 th June 2021
School Workforce Census	Thursday 5 th November 2020	Friday 4 th December 2020

Look out for further updates to keep you informed of the latest information to help prepare you for Key Dates throughout the year.

Please send a message to Steve via sbuckingham@hillingdon.gov.uk if you have any queries.

Key Dates 2020/2021

**Autumn Census
2020
Opening Date is
Thursday 1st
October 2020**

**Spring Census
2021
Opening date is
Thursday 21st
January 2021**

**Summer Census
2021
Opening Date is
Thursday 20th May
2021**

**School Workforce
Census 2021
Opening Date is
Thursday 5th
November 2020**