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Dear parent/carer,

I hope you are all well and you have had a good week. It has been nice to be back at school this week after isolating last week with covid.

As Mr Burrows shared with you last week, as part of our focus on kindness and gratitude in school we have launched our Staff Awards once again. I will be presenting staff with certificates at the end of term with comments from yourselves about how they have helped or supported your child in school. We have an extremely hard-working body of staff, and we are trying to show our students how gratitude and respect are key values to uphold for a happy and successful life. If you could model this gratitude to your child by taking in part in this initiative, we believe it will be very powerful.

If you would like to nominate a member of staff for an award, please could you email [staffnominations@birchwoodhigh.org](mailto:staffnominations@birchwoodhigh.org) with the following information:

- Your name
- Your child's name
- The member of staff's name
- The reason for the nomination

We also have our annual Parent/Carer Survey ready to complete – you can find it here:

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=wAaJMHYGo02enKbojRmFpssvCXcmGVEin1zWghfER1UQkhIQTBXSjZBQjE2V1NWS01JMjIRtkZISS4u>

The survey will be live until the end of this half term – we would very much appreciate your feedback as we are constantly trying to improve and offer the best education and support that we can to you and your child. It should just take a few minutes to complete.

We had a really successful year 10 Parents' Evening last night with 90% of appointments attended. I hope all year 10 parents/carers found it as useful as I know our staff did. Thank you to everyone that attended.

I hope you all have a lovely weekend.

Best wishes and take care,



Emma Mills  
Headteacher

Dates for Diary

- 3 February 2022- all years PHSE Drop down day – information attached
- 10 February 2022- Year 9 Futures evening options & performance review eve.
- 21 February 2022- 25 February 2022 inclusive School closed for half term holiday.