



Friday 12th March 2021

Dear Parents of Brookes Moscow,

RE: Directors Letter

One of the most enjoyable parts of my week is writing positive news about the school to parents, and also news about future developments. As we move forward to next year, a reminder to all parents that Boarding will be available to students, and if you would like to express interest, please complete this [ONLINE FORM](#).

That said, I am afraid that I am writing today with disappointing news about the student use of Information Technology (IT) that we, as a school, provide to the students in our care.

Over the past two weeks Mr. Downey and I have observed a number of students violating the use of their laptops; for example, installing unauthorised applications, connecting laptops with their phones, browsing inappropriate material, and worst of all, impersonating a member of staff. The latter, being a highly serious offence. Over reliance and overuse of the IT equipment has also become a problem of late, and as such, the school will be taking a firm stance, moving forward. Please, therefore, note the following:

- 1) On Wednesday 10th March, all Year 9 laptops were collected by the school, for inspection.
- 2) Today (12/3/21) at the end of the day, all laptops from years 7, 8, 10, 11 & 12 have been collected by the school, for inspection.
- 3) If a student's laptop that has been inspected violates the school code of conduct, then appropriate disciplinary action will be taken.
- 4) There will be no use of laptops during school, for the immediate future, and certainly not before the term break.
- 5) It is anticipated that all laptops will be returned following the holiday, but that there will be added restrictions to their use. For example, additional supervisory controls, and limited use in school.

Teachers will ensure that lessons continue with no deviation on quality of learning.

I will write again, following the holiday with an update for you.

My very best wishes,

Charley King
Director of Schools