

Dear Parents/carers

12th July 2018

With only a few weeks left of term I'm writing to update you regarding our new Oak Uniform from September. As you will be aware, we've teamed up with Brigade to provide a rebranded, smarter uniform at a cost-effective price.

The introduction of a new uniform is the next step in the rebrand of "all things Oak." Following another successful year in which we've continued to create opportunities and raise standards, the new uniform, complemented by the new website and Twitter feed, really does put us on the map within the local area and reflects the High Expectations that really do make a difference. Students in Years 7-10 have now been measured for the branded uniform and I would like to thank them for the calm and professional manner in which this process was completed.

As a result of introducing a new uniform, and for this year only, Oak Academy will provide students in Years 7-10 with one of each of the following branded compulsory items:

- Oak Academy Blazer
- Oak Academy Tie
- Oak Academy PE Top
- Oak Academy Bag (Rucksack or Portfolio)

In addition to these compulsory items, students may wish to purchase an Oak Academy jumper, also through Brigade. This is a non-compulsory item, but if worn, must be underneath and not instead of the blazer. *Please note that an Oak Academy branded jumper is the only jumper that may be worn if students choose to wear a jumper.*

In the future, these items will need to be purchased through Brigade, using the link in the Parent's section of the Oak Academy website: <https://www.oak-academy.co.uk/students/academy-uniform/>.

For September, students will receive their new uniform on Monday 23rd July. It will be handed out in the afternoon for students to take home and try on, before putting away over the summer. Students have already been measured for this, but should there be any need to change an item, Brigade will be at Oak that afternoon from 4.00-7.00 to re-measure and exchange items. This will be the only opportunity to make any changes before the new term starts, although we expect that for most families everything will be fine.

All other uniform items can be purchased from high-street stores or supermarkets. Please be aware though that some stores advertise canvas-style shoes as "school shoes" - these are not acceptable as school shoes and if unsure, do please check our website or contact the Academy for guidance.

I'm looking forward to welcoming back all students in their new uniforms on Wednesday 5th September, and with the end of term fast approaching, would like to thank you for your continued support of Oak Academy this last academic year.

Yours sincerely

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