

1st May 2022

Dear Parents and Carers

RE: Principals Update – Term 5, Week 1

I would like to start by saying a massive thank you to you as parents/carers for ensuring students returned to Oak this week in the correct uniform and equipped for learning. Our first week back really was an excellent one and students returned in a good mindset to get straight back to learning. Students should be extremely proud of themselves, I certainly am.

Even though it was only a four-day week it certainly was a busy one. From the launch of our new style homework booklets to a visit from Conor Burn MP (Bournemouth West) and a successful 'New Build Bidders Day', on top of the normal running of the school day there was lots of extra's packed in. Below are some important updates for the rest of this half term and beyond.

New Staff

I would like to welcome Ms Parnaby to Oak Academy. Ms Parnaby joins us from Longspee Academy to support the inclusion team until the end of the academic year. We have a number of additional staff starting over the next few weeks.

Phone System Update

By the end of this week there will be an update to our school phone system. This is to ensure that your phone calls are reaching the right people. When you call you will be given the options to continue to reception or access the 'Inclusion' and 'Safeguarding' Teams directly. Thank you for your patience as we get this system in place.

Year 11

It very much is countdown now for Year 11. This week our Hospitality and Catering students demonstrated a fantastic attitude towards their final practical exams. Some amazing dishes were produced, I was lucky enough to taste some of them. I look forward to sharing photos with you on social media and in our next newsletter. Next week our Spanish students will be completing their speaking exams and many students will be putting finishing touches to their NEA's coursework). This is ahead of final written exams that will start on Monday 16th May. Please do continue to encourage students to attend school and complete additional revision at home.

Now Year 11 leavers hoodies have arrived I am happy for these to be worn in school. This is the only hoody we will accept. Students will still need to ensure they have full uniform for their formal exams.

Reports

You should have now received your child's Term 4 report. If you have not received this or wish to discuss please do either contact their class teachers directly or contact Ms Price at karen.price@oak-academy.co.uk.

Uniform

For the few students whose uniform was not correct on return to school this week, we will continue to work with you to fix this during this week. With the change of uniform supplier, we know some people are struggling to access items of branded uniform. Please do contact us if this is the case. I will be able to share details of the new supplier shortly and in good time for next academic year.

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Extra-Curricular Programme

I am pleased to announce our new 'Extra-Curricular Timetable' for the summer term. I am sure you will agree there is lots to offer for everyone. There is no need to book any of the activities, students should just turn up. Timetables can be found at the following link.

[Extra-Curricular-Programme-T5.pdf \(oak-academy.co.uk\)](https://oak-academy.co.uk/Extra-Curricular-Programme-T5.pdf)

Home Learning Update

From T5 we have made some changes to our home learning policy. All students from Years 7-10 have been issued with a home learning booklet this week. More detail of the change to our policy and A copy of all booklets can be found on our website

[Home-Learning-Letter-April-22.pdf \(oak-academy.co.uk\)](https://oak-academy.co.uk/Home-Learning-Letter-April-22.pdf)

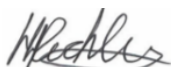
[Term 5 - Oak Academy \(oak-academy.co.uk\)](https://oak-academy.co.uk/Term-5)

Lates Detentions

Where students are late to school on a day, their detention will now take place at lunch time, instead of at the end of the school day. This will take place on the same day that they are late. Students will need to ensure they check the list which will be published by break time each day. Non-attendance will mean students are added to a 'missed detention' after school the following day. This detention will be 40 minutes. As always you will be informed of detentions by text. If there is a valid reason why your child is late, that was unavoidable please do ask them to report to reception.

We thank you again for your continued support. Do not hesitate to contact any member of the Academy Team using email addresses at the following link [Academy Staff - Oak Academy \(oak-academy.co.uk\)](https://oak-academy.co.uk/Academy-Staff) or contact me directly at Hayley.richley@oak-academy.co.uk .

Yours Sincerely,



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