

23rd September 2022

Dear Parents and Carers

RE: Principals Update – Term 1, Week 3

It is hard to believe that three weeks have now passed since the start of term, and the move over to A block. Students have quickly adjusted to the changes finding their way to lessons. There is no doubt that the learning environments have been enhanced and staff and students are really appreciating this. This week also saw the last of a series of meetings I have been attending, pulling together the finer plans for the new build. It really is an exciting time for Oak, and I look forward to being able to share more information with you.

This week myself and Mr Everton have been lucky enough to be in lots of lessons looking at what students have been learning. Going from lesson to lesson we have seen a real breath of curriculum and fantastic engagement from students. Below is just a snapshot of what we have seen.

- Year 7 students have been reading Oliver Twist so beautifully in English and learning passing and shooting skills in either netball, football, or basketball. There have even been a few apple crumbles made. I hope you as parents got to enjoy them 😊
- Year 8 students have been challenging themselves to identify whether texts were written in second or third person form in English whilst continuing their mandala designs in textiles.
- Year 9 geographers have been investigating the microclimates around Oak Academy and then analysing data, using this to determine best sites for sunflowers, picnic areas, solar panels, and wind turbines. Whilst in performing arts they have been rehearsing different elements of a 'Stormzy' track to pull together an ensemble in music creating short plays around social media messaging in drama.
- Year 10 students have been investigating transition metals salts using flame tests in Science and calculating with indices in maths.
- Year 11 developing high level pastry skills making profiterole rings in catering whilst art students have been using a variety of mark making methods to draw natural forms.

In all lessons students have been proud to show me their work and without doubt I have seen plenty examples of students living out our 'core values' through their learning. Don't forget if you want to find out more about what your child is studying this term then do look at our 'Curriculum by Term' page on our website. [Term 1 - Oak Academy \(oak-academy.co.uk\)](https://www.oak-academy.co.uk/term-1-oak-academy)

Achievement for All

Teachers have been rightly handing out plenty of achievement points this week, with a total of **'4164'** points awarded in just 4 days. This week's highest earners are below. Well done to everyone who earned points this week. Don't forget, parents can keep track of this by using SIMS Parent App.



Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11
Casey G	Harvey F	Jack J	Katie G	Jasmine C
Harry D	Daisy-May H	AJ A	Ruby K	Harry L
Ernie L	Cleo R	Kuba K	Ellie-Louise M	Amber C

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Extra-Curricular Activities

This week we have really seen growth in our numbers for extra-curricular activities. [Microsoft Word - Extra Curricular Programme T1 \(oak-academy.co.uk\)](#). Our Year 8 and 9 football teams had their first matches and I look forward to sharing match reports with you next week. Following publication of our cast list, rehearsals for our Christmas Performance of Peter Pan also got under way. Well done to everyone who auditioned. For our full cast list please see the next page.

Open Evening

This week we will be welcoming potential new students to Oak for our Year 6 open evening. Thank you in advance to any students who will be helping on the evening. If you do have any young children, relatives or friends in your year groups then do welcome them along on the evening.

Behaviour Expectations

With all the good I have seen this week there has been times where just a few students haven't quite met our expectations. This is largely around:

- Piercings – a reminder that students are allowed one stud/sleeper style earring only, in each ear. Where piercings cannot be removed please ensure your child has tape to cover these up. We are not able to continue supplying this.
- Unfortunately there have been incidents where students are vandalising the toilets. Much money has been spent in ensuring all toilets are up to a good standard. If students are seen to be in toilets when they are vandalised I am afraid we will be looking to charge damage back to parents. Please encourage your child to report to a teacher if they ever see vandalism taking place. Their names will be kept confidential.

During assemblies/tutor times next week I will talk to students about this. Thank you for your support.

As always many thanks for your support. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me at hayley.richley@oak-academy.co.uk

Yours Sincerely,



Hayley Richley
Principal

"The future for Oak is looking bright. We are excited to now share plans for our new build."
Hayley Richley, Principal



Oak Academy Year 6
OPEN EVENING
Thur 29th Sept 6pm - 8pm
Principal's Address 6.15pm and 7.15pm
High Expectations lead to High Achievers

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'Leaders and staff know pupils well. They want pupils to do well and promote positive values through and beyond the curriculum.'

'Leaders share strong values. They have a clear vision about how to provide high quality education for.'

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PETER PAN JR.

Cast List

The Darling Family

Mrs Darling - Suzi C

Mr Darling - Mickey S

Wendy - Madi S

John - Elise W

Michael - Jophiel R

Liza - Isobel G

Nana - Leah S

Pirates

Captain Hook - Shanai H

Smee - Penelope B

Noodles: Wiktorina P

Cecco: Suzi C

Starkey: Ellie-Louise M

Jukes: Chelsea E

Crocodile - Holly B

Brave Girls

Tiger Lily - Lucy M

Lead Brave Girl: Emily K

Brave Girls:

Abigail H

Leah S

Holly B

Evie C

Lost Boys

Peter Pan - Gracie S

Nibs: Mickey S

Slightly: Isobel G

Curly: Kaylee H

Twin 1: Gabby W

Twin 2: Natalie H

Tootles: Shanice E

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