

5th March 2023

Dear Parents and Carers

Re: Principal's Update – Term 4, Week 2

This week was a busy one with lots of events for students to get involved with. We are looking forward to more in the coming weeks. Whenever Oak students are involved in events outside the academy, people talk so highly of their behaviour and interactions with the general public. I am utterly proud of each and every one of them.

**Toilets**

In last weeks update I mentioned toilets and the work we were doing to improve experience for students. This work is now largely completed, and students have responded well to treating the toilets with respect. A massive thank you to them for their patience. We will continue to review the toilet situation as we wait for our new build and will keep you updated of further developments.

Year 11 PPE's and Parents Evening

The second Year 11 PPE series is now largely complete with the exception of science. These exams have been delayed slightly to ensure the course has been completed ahead of the exams. Behaviour during the exams has been excellent and many students have put in much effort. Well done.

To discuss how your child is getting on and additional work needs to be done to ensure your child is ready for their final exams please book and attend parents evening this Thursday 9th March. Bookings can be made using the following link [SchoolCloud - Oak Academy](#)

Industrial Action

Many thanks for your support last week with industrial action. Ms Price was extremely pleased to collect work in during tutor time on Friday. Many students had made an excellent effort to complete some or all the work set. This week she will be rewarding them for their effort.

As it stands there has been no change in the position of the Government and therefore we can only assume that the remaining strike days will proceed as planned. It is also unlikely that the position for teachers at Oak will change and therefore I would like to share with you my plans for these days now. I am hoping this will support with plans for childcare where necessary.

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Wednesday 15th March

Years 7, 9 and 10 will work remotely.

Years 8 and 11 will attend the academy as normal.

Thursday 16th March

Year 7, 8 and 10 will work remotely.

Year 11 will attend the academy as normal.

Year 9 will attend the academy as normal. On this day students will be involved in an options taster day. This is ahead of their options evening on that day.

I hope you understand my decision to prioritise Year 11 with their GCSE exams now so close. I have then ensured all other year groups have had one out of the four days onsite. If closer to the time I am able to have other students onsite I will prioritise Year 10.

As always, I am happy to have onsite vulnerable students and those whose parents are key workers. Please complete the following survey if you would like us to support your child onsite on these days.

<https://forms.office.com/e/4aurJ64d3R>

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,



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