

21st May 2023

**Dear Parents and Carers** 

## Re: Principal's Update – Term 5, Week 5

I hope this letter finds you all well following another sunny weekend. Just one week to go. I for one cannot believe that we are at the end of our 5th half term of the year, with only one left before the summer break. The last half term, albeit long, is always so busy and therefore will go by in a flash. This term ends for all on Friday 26th at 3pm (please see below for details of finish time for Year **11)**. The term will begin again on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June.

Last week Year 11 students made a fantastice start to their GCSE season. Lots of commitment to revision was shown and students on the whole felt positive about the season so far. This week exams continue and students conintue to follow their 'Passport ot Success' timetable. Passport-to-Success.pdf (oakacademy.co.uk) On Friday students will have their celebration assembly. On this day, once in the assembly, students will be able to sign shirts if they wish. A reminder though that students will be expected to return to Oak after half term in full school uniform. On Friday students will be waved offsite by 1.30pm. Revision does continue in the half term as per the timetable above.

# **Wear it Green Day**

A massive thank you to all students who got involved on our 'Wear it Green day' to support Mental Health awareness week. The final value raised is yet to be confirmed but on last count it will be close to £400. Some students really did embrace the nature of wear it green day. One group were our Year 10's. Thanks boys, you made me smile on the day. Some fantastic cake donations also raised over £100. They were all sold out early in our first break. Always a popular one for both staff and students.



#### Use of the school field

Now we have hit a longer spell of warm weather, and with GCSE exams running in the main hall, we have switched students break times from the playground to our picnic area and school field. Most students have really taken advantage of this and are enjoying the green spaces. Unfortunately there has been some extremely rough games of football, especially in Year 10. As a result I have taken the following action which will be shared with students tomorrow.

- Each year group have been designated with a goal
- Staff on duty has increased
- For the remainder of this half term Year 10 will not be allowed to play
- No slide tackling is permitted, at any time

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# **Top Achievers**

This weeks top achievers can be found below

Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11
Lotanna C	Gracie S	Keira H	William B	Charley P
Judah A	Kieran I	Paris M	Ruby K	Samuel M
Oluwapelumi A	Catherine F	Maddie W	Courtney S	Billy S
Ethan E	Samuel O	Dylan G	Cortana B	Amber C
Jophiel R	Ella KC	Chloe H	Ella G	Damian R

# **Rewarding Attendance**

This weeks 'Be IN to WIN' Prize was won by Chloe H in Year 9. Well done Chloe. Our final hamper prize will be drawn this Friday with some snacks to get students through the half term break





If you have any queries about anything in this letter or any other aspect of academy life, please do not hesitate to contact inclusion teams at the email addresses below.

Year 7, 8 and 9 InclusionKS3@oak-academy.co.uk

Year 10 and 11 InclusionKS4@oak-academy.co.uk

As always many thanks for your support.

Yours Sincerely,

Hayley Richley **Principal** 

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