

09th June 2023

Dear Parents and Carers

Re: Principal's Update, T6.1

Our first week back has been a warm one. Students have managed this extremely well and on the whole been really focused in lessons. Year 11 are very nearly done with their exams now, with only one week to go. That being said, the last week is an important one and continued revision is essential. We have reviewed their time onsite for the last week to ensure it is focused on revising for the exams. The new timetable can be found at the following link. <u>Last-Days-Cohort-2023.pdf</u> (oak-academy.co.uk)

Senior Team

This week we have been interviewing for our senior team to take over once our Year 11s leave. We have already appointed our Head Boy, Head Girl, Deputy Head Boy and a Senior Prefect. Interviews conclude on Monday and I look forward to formally introducing them to you all next week.

Top Achievers

This weeks top achievers can be found below

Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10
Matthew B Jophiel R Gracie S	James W Daisy-May H Kieran I Melody S	Keria H Archie B Roman M	Cortana B Olivia S Courntey S

Permanent Moderation to Uniform Policy

After taking feedback from parents and students I have made the decision to introduce the option of wearing tailored shorts to our uniform policy. I would only expect these to be worn during the summer months. Shorts will be expected to be black and uniform style. Charcoal, chino or cargo style shorts will not be allowed. can be purchased from our uniform supplier at the following link Unisex Tailored Shorts (pbuniform-online.co.uk). They can also be found in local shops such as Asda, Matalan and Sainsburys. Please see examples below of what will and will not be allowed.



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These as with other uniform items if incorrect items are worn this will be addressed. A reminder of the quidance on this can be found at the end of this letter. White or black socks only can be worn with shorts.

Blazers

With the warmer weather, there may be times in the next few weeks where it may be appropriate for students to remove their blazers as they move around the school site. Students have always been welcome to remove them in lessons.

Unless I communicate otherwise, students are still expected to arrive in their blazers each day. During the day I will make the decision that they can remain off around the school site. Shirts must remain tucked in and ties done up to the neck. If the weather becomes warmer I will of course review this again.

Home Learning

All students have now been given their new home learning booklets which can be found at the following link. Information around timetables and expectations can also be found here. Home Learning - Oak Academy (oak-academy.co.uk)

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

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As always many thanks for your support.

Hayley Richley

Principal

A reminder of the following guidance to schools around uniform.

- Schools have the right to enforce students wear a school uniform.
- Schools can discipline students who do not comply with the rules on uniform.
- Schools are allowed to send students to enable them to put the right uniform
- Sending the student home should NOT be an exclusion or an unauthorised absence unless the student persistently breaches the uniform or deliberately takes advantage of the time given to fix their uniform.
- Suspension is justified for repeated uniform breaches.



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