

Dear Parents and Carers

Re: Principal's Update; T6.5

Hard to believe we are now only two weeks away from the end of the Academic year. The large majority of Year 10 students are now into their final week as they prepare to go out on work experience, something we are so excited to see back at Oak. As I write this, I am thinking of the our individuals in Year 10 who are onto their third day of their Duke of Edinburgh Silver Exhibition. The weather has not been the kindest to them, although in some ways easier than the heat. I am looking forward to hearing all about it from staff and students tomorrow.


Upcoming Dates

It will be a busy last couple of weeks. Below are some important dates for your diaries. I have included here a reminder of our return in September for your information.

Date	Event
Monday 10 th July	Year 10 AFCB Raising Aspirations Trip
Tuesday 11 th July	Escapelines Assembly – All Year Groups Year 10 Bournemouth and Poole College Visit Year 10 Rewards Trip
Wednesday 12 th July	Summer Festival. Please do come along with your picnic from 12pm. https://forms.microsoft.com/e/8WBtteHswt
Friday 14 th July	Year 10 Aelebration Assembly.
Friday 14 th – 16 th July	DofE Qualifying Expedition
Monday 17 th – Friday 21 st July	Year 10 Work Experience
Tuesday 18 th July	Year 9 Vaccinations
Thursday 20 th July	Year 7-9 rewards Trip. Invites have now been sent.
Friday 21st July	Year 7-9 Celebration Assemblies. Reports to parents, including End of Year Exam results for Year 7 – 9. Year 10 will receive theirs as part of a results day in September. School term ends for all students at 12.30
Thursday 24th August	GCSE Results Day
Friday 1 st & Monday 4 th September	Inset Days. School closed to students. Some students will be invited in for a settling session on Monday.
Tuesday 5th September	Start of the academic year for Year 7 and 11.
Wednesday 6th September	Start of the academic year for Year 8 – 10.

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Uniform

Many thanks for continuing to ensure that students arrive to school in blazers. Everyone has responded fantastically to this. I will of course continue to monitor this across the rest of the term but based on the weather forecast, I am expecting these to be required through until the last day. As I did on Friday however I will of course allow students to remove them on individual days where it becomes too warm.

A massive thankyou also to Year 9s who came in on Friday wearing their full Oak PE kit. From next academic year if they are not wearing an Oak T-shirt and black bottoms they will not be permitted to take part in PE. This is part of our compulsory uniform. Several you have been purchasing them from school at a reduced cost of £10. These are still available and can be purchased through ParentPay. Upon purchase, please collect from Mr Pretty. We are now running short of some of the smallest and biggest sizes so it may be worth you emailing Mr Pretty in advance to check stock we have left. Matthew.Pretty@oak-academy.co.uk

In preparation for the new academic year, I need to confirm that uniform ordered from Price and Buckland needs to be done by 1st August. This can be ordered from the following link. [UK's Leading School Uniform Supplier - Price & Buckland \(price-buckland.co.uk\)](http://price-buckland.co.uk). A reminder that the **Oak Academy branded bag is a compulsory item**. Students will not be allowed to carry alternatives next year.

Equipment

Over the next two weeks we will be talking to all students about what it means to be a learner at Oak. As part of this we will discuss minimum expectations with regards to equipment next academic year to ensure students are ready to learn. With that in mind I have included below what is our basic expectation of what equipment students should carry, at all times next year.

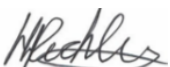
- A pencil case
- 3 Black pens
- 1 green pen
- 3 pencils
- 30cm ruler
- Rubber
- Pencil Sharpener
- Highlighter
- Scientific Calculator (compulsory in Year 10 and 11 only although desirable in all year groups)

Newsletter

With the end of term fast approaching I am beginning to compile our end of term newsletter and would welcome you sharing any successes your child has outside of school. Please do email them across so they can be included at the end of term.

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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