

27<sup>th</sup> November 2023

Dear Parents and Carers

**Re: Principal's Update; T2.5**

Another busy week at Oak, from Macbeth performances to Rugby tours and Ten Tors training along with completion of Year 7 CATs assessments and week two of Year 11's pre-public examinations. As always there was lots to be proud of and plenty to share in more detail, in our end of term newsletter. In the meantime, a sneak peak of some of what's been going on.

**Inset Day**

A reminder that this Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December is inset day. Oak will therefore be closed to all students.

**New Build**

As you will have seen the demolition of B Block is nearing completion as Kier now begin to work in the ground for the next stage of our rebuild. I want to thank all students for the way in which they have conducted themselves around the site, with no interference of the demolition team.

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## Year 7 Reports and Parents Evening

With assessments now complete we are looking forward to welcoming our Year 7 parents to Oak on Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> November. Full details of this will follow tomorrow but appointments can now be booked using the following link, [SchoolCloud - Oak Academy](#). School reports will be issued by email ahead of the evening and will be available as a physical copy on the evening. The report will include assessment results including the quartile students fall into within their year group.

## Attendance

We continue to reward students for 100% attendance on a week-by-week basis. This week Aaron from Year 9 won two tickets to 'Flip Out' in Poole. Prizes for the rest of this half term can be found at the end of this letter. This week is attendance week and prize draws will be done daily to reward students who attend each day. Our rewards trip for the end of term was also launched this week.

### Attendance Rewards Trip

- Students who have **100% Attendance** from **13<sup>th</sup> November to 1<sup>st</sup> December** will be invited to attend the Attendance Rewards Trip to Hollywood Bowl.
- Yr 7 and Yr 8 trip - 13<sup>th</sup> December.
- Yr 9, Yr 10 and Yr 11 trip - 14<sup>th</sup> December.
- Cost of the trip is £18 to include 1hr bowling, food and transport.

\*Students must have an average of 4+ Oak points



## Equipment

This week you may have received text messages regarding equipment. Ensuring students are equipped to learn is vital to support progress at Oak. There are a number of students still coming to school without a full set of equipment **in a pencil case**. Students who do not have the correct equipment this morning all be spoken to in the school hall. Pencil cases including the basic kit can be purchased on parent pay and collected from our Student Reception. From this week we will begin to sell individual items for a small cash cost. These will be sold each morning so if you know your child is missing items please ensure they have a small amount of money on them. A reminder that the basic kit includes.

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|-----------------|--------------|---|
| • A pencil case | • 1 pencils  | • Pencil Sharpener  |
| • 2 Black pens  | • 30cm ruler | • Highlighter   |
| • 1 green pen   | • Rubber     | • Scientific Calculator (compulsory in Year 10 and 11 only although desirable in all year groups) |

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## Core Value Postcards

There were plenty of core value tear off slips in the drop boxes again this week, 1097 to be precise. 421 students placed a slip in the box for 'Excellence' alone and therefore Mr Everton decided to draw two winners from this box this week. Students should have also brought these postcards home to you.

Core Value	Name
<b>Respect</b>	Tanvi Muthabathula
<b>Excellence</b>	Rhiannon Gent Keira Hangl
<b>Community</b>	Leon Phelps
<b>Courage</b>	Grace Blackwell
<b>Kindness</b>	Chloe Holian

## Oak Points

This week's averages and winners can be found below. A well done to Year 10 for their significant improvement in their overall attitudes to learning. Students in Year 10 will go to lunch ten minutes early this week.

This week we will also be rewarding Year 11 for persistently hitting the top of Oak points with a pizza lunch. Their attitude to learning has also been seen during their pre-public examinations and we know they will see the benefit of this when they receive their results this summer.

Year Group	Oak Point Average		Top student/students
	T2.3	T2.4	
7	4.18	4.16	Anna-Best Abah (4.68)
8	4.10	4.10	Dhanu Kainikkaraputhuparambu Binu (4.83)
9	3.93	3.94	Isaac Haskell (4.48)
10	4.03	4.19	Logan Pointon (4.67)
11	4.21	4.38	Ayla Barker (4.83)

A reminder of what Oak Points mean can be found below. Students are scored every lesson. Your child's Oak point average is shared with them and placed in their planners every week. Do ask to see them and discuss them with them.

Code entered	Descriptor
5	Exceptional performance
4	Students demonstrate they are 'Learning Ready'
3	Inadequate behaviour poor attitude to learning
1	Student removed from lesson
0	Truancy

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](mailto:hayley.richley@oak-academy.co.uk).

Yours Sincerely,



Hayley Richley  
**Principal**

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## Family Rewards for 100% Attendance

**T2.2 Family Wet and Wacky Swim for 5**



**T2.3 Flipout Voucher For 2**



**T2.4 £20 Cinema Voucher**



**T2.5 Mulligans Voucher For 4**



**T2.6 £40 Meal Voucher**



**T2.7 BUMPER CHRISTMAS HAMPER**

**DRINK FOOD CHOCOLATE TREATS GAMES**

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