Infinity Curriculum Development



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Dear Parents,

As part of our exciting Infinity Curriculum development we have created department and year team specific email addresses so pupils and parents can communicate with their teachers. This next step in our Infinity Curriculum is about supporting learning away from school and signposting further learning opportunities for pupils to allow them to develop a scholarship approach to their subjects. During these challenging however times it seems pertinent to bring this development forward to support in the way we communicate with our pupils and parents whilst they are away from school for a prolonged period. The inbox will be checked a minimum of twice a week and staff will always endeavour to provide a response before the end of that week. Underneath is the outline of how this facility will be overseen and used by staff and how best to use it for pupils and parents.

- 1. This is a way to provide relevant and helpful feedback and next steps on learning so we would love to see what you have been learning at home, producing or creating whilst away from school.
- 2. Rewards linked to the academy reward system (merits, smilies, shout outs, infinity nominations) can also be given out so please share where you have demonstrated our core concepts brilliantly
- 3. This is a way for pupils&parents to ask questions about areas of a subject that they might be struggling with, (dispelling misconceptions).
- 4. Staff will always look to encourage a scholarship approach celebrate the learning with the rest of the school community, so do please share with us your achievements.
- 5. Staff will look to signpost further learning opportunities based on the learning of pupils, (videos to watch, podcasts etc). We may ask pupils questions back to further develop their learning and understanding, so do please communicate your answers and thoughts back
- 6. Most importantly this is a way of keeping in touch with the Oakfield Community at this surreal time.

Department and year team email addresses are listed here and are on our Little Lessons page on the website.

Art	art@oakfieldacademy.org
Computing	computing@oakfieldacademy.org
Design Technology	dt@ <u>oakfieldacademy.org</u>
English	english@oakfieldacademy.org
French	french@oakfieldacademy.org
Geography	geography@oakfieldacademy.org
History	history@oakfieldacademy.org
Maths	maths@oakfieldacademy.org
Music	music@oakfieldacademy.org
P.E.	pe@oakfieldacademy.org
Science	science@oakfieldacademy.org
Spanish	spanish@oakfieldacademy.org
Year 5	year5@oakfieldacademy.org
Year 6	year6@oakfieldacademy.org
Year 7	year7@oakfieldacademy.org
Year 8	year8@oakfieldacademy.org

We will also be running a *Subject Surgery* for each department; a time when the department email inbox will be monitored live by staff and pupils/parents can receive feedback on their questions etc as they ask them. These will initially be half hour slots once a week and the schedule can be found in our newsletter and on the Little Lesson page.





Pupils at Oakfied have also been using their own Google classroom email addresses in Year 7&8 computing and will be able to use these email addresses to access this facility. Year 5&6 would not have accessed this function yet, and guidance on how to use a pupil email address is in the box underneath. This will mean that pupils will be able to use their own email to contact and disc uss work with teachers and receive feedback.

We can't say yet when we'll be able to open the school fully, but rest assured that we'll continue doing our utmost to keep your child learning and our school community connected. Stay safe and Take Care.

Pupil Email Addresses: Go to Gmail to login: https://www.google.com/gmail

Year 8 format: for example Emma Bloggs is ebloggs19@oakfieldacademy.org Password: oakfield It is advisable to change your password when you login and share with parents

Years 5,6,7 format: for example Cath Bloggs is cath.bloggs@oakfieldacademy.org Password: oakfield It is advisable to change your password when you login and share with parents

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