

Happy New Year



OAKFIELD ACADEMY

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Thursday 31st December

Dear Parents,

I hope you had a lovely Christmas and are looking forward to the New Year. This update repeats much of the information that we sent to you at the end of term, but has been updated to reflect the changes following yesterday's government announcements. You will see that much of our planning is still exactly as we previously communicated, but with a slightly later return to on site learning for the majority of pupils in Years 7 and 8.

January 2021

After the most recent government announcements regarding schools in January we have outlined the changes for Oakfield so that plans can be made by families.

- **All pupils in Years 5 and 6 will return to school on Wednesday 6th January.**
- **Pupils in Years 7 and 8 will remain at home accessing their lessons via Google Classroom until they return on Monday 18th January.**
- **Pupils of critical workers in years 7 and 8 will be welcomed back to on site learning from Wednesday 6th January. Thank you for registering their place via the survey we sent out in the previous letter.**
- **Other pupils requiring on site provision to meet their learning needs have been contacted and invited separately, we also look forward to welcoming them on Wednesday 6th January.**
- **Pupils should return to Oakfield in full uniform (or PE kit) and with a face covering.**

The remote learning option will be via [Google Classroom](#), a facility we have been using successfully since the Summer term, expanding its use to homework and scholarship learning for all subjects. We have also, (via Google Classroom), signposted to the other facilities used for homework such as [Doddle Learn](#), [Fedi](#) and our own [Little Lesson](#) page. Your child needs to ensure that they have joined each of their subjects using the codes provided by their teacher. These have also been emailed to their oakfieldacademy.org school email and can be found on the [Little Lesson](#) page.

Remote Learning

- Pupils will be set work as per the lessons on their timetable and should follow this timetable
- The tasks will be part of the lesson sequence and the tasks set will be challenging and engaging
- Some parts may be videoed input from the teacher, some will be self-directed and require your child to submit their work for feedback and next steps. There is a videoed guide on how to do this found [here](#). This information has also been emailed to your child's oakfieldacademy.org school email
- The expectation is that your child, as in school, demonstrates ambition and pride in their learning and works hard

Staff may be required to also deliver lessons to those in school so whilst feedback may not be immediate, all pupil's learning will be looked at and next steps will be provided.

Testing

We are working alongside Head teachers locally and with the Local Authority to identify the best way to approach screening testing for both staff and pupils in years 7 and 8. Further details regarding this process will be communicated in the future and testing will not be in place next week! Thank you to the offers of support we have received from parents to assist in delivering testing, they have been much appreciated and we will get back to you with more information over the coming weeks.

I hope this gives you the information you need to prepare. Please do keep safe and thank you for all your support and understanding.

Yours sincerely

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