Sharing Learning, Support and Feedback



4th June 2020

Dear Parents,

As the virtual, at home learning offer evolves we wanted to make you aware of how that will look moving forward, as well as how your child can further engage with their subject teachers and their learning.

Our department and year team specific email addresses have been up and running for almost 6 weeks and staff have enjoyed immensely the variety of work being shared through this medium. I would like to encourage your child to send their learning to their teacher via these email addresses (listed below this letter). They can then receive the timely and relevant feedback and further learning opportunities to help them develop. This expert input will be great in dispelling misconceptions, opening a learning dialogue, and, well frankly it's just nice to know that your teacher has seen and appreciates the pride and ambition your child has gone to!

Underneath is the outline of how this facility will be overseen and used by staff and how best to use it at home. Essentially, if your child's teacher receives the work or any questions, they can then support with feedback and next steps.

- This is a way to provide relevant and helpful feedback and next steps
- The inbox will be checked at least twice a week and staff will always endeavour to provide a response before the end of the week
- Rewards linked to the academy reward system (merits, smilies, shout outs, infinity nominations) can also be given out
- This is a way for your child to ask questions about areas that they might be struggling with, (dispelling misconceptions)
- Staff will look to encourage a scholarship approach and signpost further learning opportunities (videos to watch, podcasts etc.)
- Staff may also ask pupils questions to further develop their learning and understanding as part of the feedback and formative assessment, so please encourage your child to communicate their answers and thoughts back

Little Lessons may also involve short video clips from staff to help support the learning. We are always looking to create learning opportunities that are relevant and bespoke for Oakfield pupils and the recommendation would be for your child to engage with 3-4 hours of learning now using their timetable in their journal to determine which little lessons to use. If they have English, DT and Geography at that day then structure the day accordingly with time to send the learning back to the teacher. They can then respond to any feedback or challenges set when the teacher responds.

Pupils at Oakfield have also been using their own Google classroom email addresses in Year 7 and 8 computing and will be able to use these email addresses to send work to teachers. Years 5 and 6 would not have accessed this function yet, and guidance on how to use a pupil email address is in the box below this letter.

Please do stay safe and take care.

Mr McGrath Deputy Head teacher

Mrs Cross
Assistant Head teacher





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

Year 8 format: for example Emma Bloggs is ebloggs19@oakfieldacademy.org Password: oakfield (they all have the year 19 after their initial and surname)

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 your parents

Art	art@oakfieldacademy.org
Computing	computing@oakfieldacademy.org
Design Technology	dt@oakfieldacademy.org
English	english@oakfieldacademy.org
French	french@oakfieldacademy.org
Geography	geography@oakfieldacademy.org
History	history@oakfieldacademy.org
Maths	maths@oakfieldacademy.org
Music	music@oakfieldacademy.org
PE	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
S & G	support@oakfield.org
SEND	oakfieldsonco@educ.somerset.gov.uk