

Letter to Year 8



OAKFIELD ACADEMY

BELIEVE AND ACHIEVE

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Dear Pupils,

I hope you and your families are all keeping well and you are managing to do lots of things to keep your selves busy.

From a learning point of view you certainly have plenty of things to choose from if you are using Oakfield's Little lessons, BBC Bitesize and Oak Academy. I think it is a good idea to make sure that you do a variety of things. Perhaps look at lessons that relate to the subjects you have chosen to do at GCSE. As I said last week it's really important to not to get out of the habit of learning at some point you will be back in the classroom!

I am still really enjoying hearing from your parents, answering any questions you may have and seeing the work that you have done. I think it is really important to all of us to have this connection even if it is in the virtual world. Remember you can use the subject e mails dt@oakfieldacademy.org or the year 8 e mail year8@oakfieldacademy.org. Also you may want to ask Mrs Applegate from S&G a question which can be done via her e mail support@oakfieldacademy.org. Even if it's not a question I am sure she would love to hear from you if you visit her when you are at school.

I think we all need to think about the fact that we are spending quite a lot more time on the internet than we normally do – who would have thought a few weeks ago that your learning would be accessed in this way. Because of this it is especially important to remember how to keep ourselves safe in this environment.

With a Social Media Focus:

- Don't post any personal information online.
- Think carefully before posting any photos or videos of yourself. Once you have posted something, it is not just yours anymore! Probably best not to do it all!!
- Keep privacy settings as high as possible.
- Never give out your passwords.
- Don't talk to people you do not know.
- Think carefully about what you say before you post something.
- If you see something online that makes you feel uncomfortable, or worried, leave the website and tell a trusted adult immediately

There is also quite a lot of information about staying safe online on the Oakfield Academy website

This week I have spent quite a lot of time thinking about your year 9 tutor groups – I am nearly there now which is great as it takes a while to work it out that's for sure! I have also been doing all sorts of odd things such as a jig saw puzzle of New York at night in a thunder storm - lots of lights and dark blue which is quite a challenge. I think the weather is really helping as it is so nice to be able to sit in the garden and



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listen to the birds which seem louder at the moment because of the quieter roads and no planes heading into Bristol airport.

I think we are all missing being in school and interacting with each other but it is important to remember that what we are doing is helping to ensure that we are all safe and well.

Take care of yourselves and your families and don't forget to think positive – this time will pass and we can start doing more of the things we are missing and seeing the people that are important to us.

I hope you had a great bank holiday and if you celebrated VE day in any way I would love to see your pictures.

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