



Oaklands School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Timetable Update

I wrote a letter to parents and carers at the end of last year explaining that in order to support the well-being of pupils at the start of this term and as they transition to their next year group, the school will continue to operate in a year group timetable/curriculum during the first four weeks of the term. I explained that this would be a transition phase and will allow for the supportive gradual opening of the school.

I am pleased to inform you that the transition phase/timetable that we have implemented has been very successful in helping our students settle into school. I am now pleased to state that as of next week we will be opening up the school structure to enable pupils to experience a full secondary school experience, as it was before the pandemic started.

As of Monday 20th September, the timetable will change and the pupils will be moving around the whole school to different classrooms and will be meeting new subject teachers. An example of this is that all year groups will meet Mr Poole for PE, and all year groups will meet Ms Hayes for Art. They will still see their form teacher and form teaching assistant three times a day, and staff will support all pupils throughout this exciting time when the entire secondary school experience begins again. We will be sending your child's new timetable home with them on Friday, so you can talk this through with them and identify key days where extra support is needed (e.g bringing their PE kit into school).

For those students in year 10 and year 11, next week will see them begin to study their options choices for the year, and a detailed letter will be sent out in addition to this letter informing relevant parents and carers of how we will implement this area of the curriculum.

Further changes to the school structure will include students mixing in year groups such that they will experience key stage (Year 7, 8 and 9 are key stage 3, and year 10 and 11 are key stage 4) and full school assemblies, key stage lunches, and mixed year group break times.

The timings of the school day will revert to what they were previous to the pandemic for all students as detailed below:

Registration & RWI	8.55am	–	9.15am
(RWI = Read Write Inc Literacy Development Programme)			
Assembly or RWI	9.15am	–	9.30am
Period 1	9.30am	–	10.00am
Period 2	10.00am	–	10.35am

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Period 3	10.35am –	11.10am
Break Time	11.10am –	11.25am
Period 4	11.25am –	12.00pm
Period 5	12.00 pm –	12.35pm
Lunchtime	12.35 pm –	1.20 pm
(Lunch will be split for key stages, such that KS3 will eat at 12.35pm and KS4 will eat at 1.00pm. When not eating, students will have free time outside)		
Accelerated Reader	1.20 pm –	1.35 pm
Period 6	1.35 pm –	2.05 pm
Period 7	2.05 pm –	2.35 pm
Period 8	2.35 pm –	3.05 pm
Class and dismissal	3.05 pm –	3.15 pm
School day ends	3.15pm	

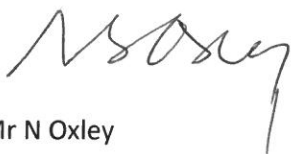
These timings will be new to some students, so please provide your child with a suitable snack to be eaten at break time, and if necessary when they arrive at school from their taxi if you feel your child will be hungry.

Please refer to my previous letter regarding how to order a break-time snack from school. In addition, we have a weekly order of fresh fruit for pupils to have throughout the day to support their wellbeing.

I am really looking forward to the school opening up for the students as they will have more opportunities that will improve their school experience, and I hope this can continue throughout the year. We have worked hard since opening this term explaining to the students exactly how the school will open during this term, and I have delivered an assembly to each year group explaining the changes that will be happening. We will continue to support the students this week and will help alleviate any concerns they have ahead of next week. As I explained last year, we also have a contingency plan in place and are prepared to revert to implementing previous Covid-19 enforced control measures if advised and necessary.

If you have any questions about how the school will open up and would like further clarification on any of the areas mentioned, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Yours sincerely



Mr N Oxley
Headteacher