

## Friday 15th September

Dear parent / carer,

We hope you're well and your child had another great week at OATQ.

On Thursday we hosted our first open evening for Year 6 families and had many attendees from the primary schools which our existing cohort attends. If you are contacted by them, it would be great if you could give an honest update on our progress as an academy and if there are areas, there always will be, where you feel, we could continue to improve please don't hesitate to share this with us. As our motto states, we always want to remain curious and we recognise that the journey of improvement is a process, not a destination.

### Changes to the academy day timings

As your child may have articulated, the Oasis Academy Brislington car park can become very busy which makes it challenging to exit the car park efficiently. As a result we are going to change our academy day whilst on the Brislington site.

The day will start at 8.50am and finish at 3.20pm.

To clarify, this will **not affect the bus pick up / drop off times**. The bus is dropping students off at 8.35am and at present we are finishing our period 5 lesson at 3.22pm so that we can line-up and get onto the bus for 3.30pm. The new timings of the day are in appendix 1 on this letter.

This change will come into effect from Wednesday 20th September. Please let us know if your child does not use the bus and this will be an issue in week 1.

### **Uniform updates**

Please be reminded of our uniform policy, noticeably:

- No trainers to be worn on uniform day, only on PE days (students can change into trainers at break / lunch if they choose).
- No lycra skirts. No shorter than 3cm above the knee.
- Black polo shirt for PE (you can buy 2 for £4 at Asda George).
- Tie to show 3 stripes

#### Free school meals

Please can I reiterate this message. If you have not completed the free school meal checking service attached, we cannot continue to provide your child with free school meals in the long-term. Of course, we appreciate in the interim that there have been challenges with new systems.

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#### **Nasal Flu Immunisations**

Children in Reception to Year 11 are being offered flu vaccinations this winter to help protect them from flu and serious complications such as bronchitis and pneumonia. Vaccinating your child will also help protect you, your family and friends. The flu vaccine is administered using a nasal spray, this vaccine is free and painless, please ensure you complete your consent form at <a href="https://imms.sirona-cic.org.uk/flu/2023/consent?v=1.23">https://imms.sirona-cic.org.uk/flu/2023/consent?v=1.23</a>

If your child is unable to receive the nasal flu vaccine, community catch-up clinics will be available, please contact <u>sirona.sch-imms@nhs.net</u> or 0300 1245515 for more information.

Date for OATQ Students: Thursday 14th December

### Enrichment - Introducing 'Choices'

As expressed in many meetings we, like you, are concerns about missed enrichment opportunities this term. To counteract this, we are introducing a 45minute enrichment session on a Thursday morning we are calling Choices. We are currently finalising the proposed clubs and sessions students can attend but in effect students will choose an activity to complete from 8.50am until 9.35am on a Thursday morning.

If you or your child can think of a better name for this session, feel free to email us with your suggestions!

### **Oasis Academy Brislington Football Club**

Oasis Academy Brislington have offered our students the opportunity to attend their football club on Tuesday evenings. If you wish your child to attend, please ask them to speak with Mr Pease. The only caveat is that your child would miss the bus so would require picking up on a Tuesday evening at 4.30pm.

### Family welcome mornings and evening

Please remember to check last week's letter and book onto the welcome mornings. For the induction evening you can just attend, and we are happy to keep any children on-site between the end of day and the start of the evening.

If you have any questions following this letter, please do not hesitate to contact us at info@oasistemplequarter.org.

Kind regards,

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# New timings of the school day:

Activity	Times
Daily check-in (mobile phone collection)	08.45 - 08.50
Tutor time	08.50 - 09.10
Personal Development	09.10 - 09.35
Period 1	09.35 - 10.30
Break	10:30 – 11.00
Period 2	11.00 – 11.55
Period 3	11:55 - 12:50
Lunch	12:50 - 13:30
Period 4	13:30 – 14.25
Period 5	14.25 – 15.20
Daily check-out (mobile phone handout)	15.20 - 15.25