

20 July 2021

Dear Parents and Carers

### Primary to Secondary Transition 2021

I had the pleasure of visiting most of our Year 6 students at their primary schools and I very much look forward to seeing them in the academy in September. There is no doubt that for Year 6 children the circumstances surrounding the COVID-19 pandemic have come at an important time in their school lives. Please be reassured the staff at Outwood Academy Hasland Hall fully intend on providing the best support and guidance to ensure a smooth transition from primary to secondary education. The first day of the term is key to this progression.

Naturally you may have a few queries about Lateral Flow tests, first day plans and other policies. Some of these I hope to clarify below -

### Lateral Flow testing

Following DFE guidance it is imperative that all students receive two lateral flow tests prior to returning to school. The first of these tests will occur on **Thursday 2 September**. The day will run as follows:

### Thursday 2 September

Time	Surnames
08:00 - 09:00	Abass - Burrows
09:00 - 10:00	Burton - Edwards
10:00 - 11:00	Elliott - Heard
11:00 - 12:00	Heath - Leatherday
12:00 - 13:00	Leavesley - Noakes
13:00 - 14:00	Noblett - Scott
14:00 - 15:00	Scragg - Twigg
15:00 - 16:00	Waring - Zu

- Students will **not** be required to wear uniform on this day
- Student will enter the site at the allotted time then leave the site following their Lateral Flow Test.
- Staff will be there to support and direct students to the registration points.

## Consent

Please complete the consent form whether or not you wish your child to have the Lateral Flow Test.

<https://forms.gle/ymUiHEwVGPEhmpUx9>

The second lateral flow test will occur on **Monday 6 September** during the school day.

## First day Plans

### Year 7 - Monday 6 September

All new Year 7 students should assemble in the school Dining Hall (near the Broomfield Road entrance) by 8.00am. Form tutors will be there, ready to meet their new tutees.

Time	Activities	Location
08:00-10:00	Welcome to OAHH Assembly with Mr Cooper, Head of School Lateral Flow Testing Meeting with form tutors	Dining Hall
10.00-10.25	Morning break	Dining Hall and outside
10.25-11.00	Form time (timetables and planners)	Form rooms
11.00-12.00	Period 3 lesson	Various
12.00-12.30	Lunch	Dining Hall
12.30-1.30	Period 4 lesson	Various
1.30-2.30	Period 5 lesson	Various
2.30	End of school day	

## Year 7 Lateral Flow Testing schedule

Tutor group	Tutor	Time
Micronesia	Miss Cam (RCA)	08:00 - 08:20
Ecuador	Mrs Timmins (LTI)	08:20 - 08:40
Mauritius	Mrs Bradley (SBR)	08:40 - 09:00
Antigua & Barbuda	Miss French (EFR)	09:00 - 09:20
Lebanon	Miss Furlong (MFU)	09:20 - 09:40
San Marino	Mr Leatherday (KLE)	09:40 - 10:00

## Mobile phones

Students cannot use their own electronic equipment on site (this includes mobile phones). Any mobile phones will be confiscated, and a C4a sanction will be issued. The item can be collected by parent/carer from reception (8-4pm) on the day of confiscation and any day after that. Refusal to hand over a mobile phone will result in the consequence escalating for refusal to follow a reasonable request. Further details can be found on Page 8 of the Student Planner. Outwood Grange Academy Trust has a strict no mobile phone policy. It will be assumed by staff that mobile phones are switched off and in bags until they have left the academy site.

## Parent Pay

You should have already received information in the post regarding how to open an account. Students will be issued with their first Student Planner and Swipe Card free of charge.

## The Academy Day

Following consultation the academy day will run as follows-

THE ACADEMY DAY	
All students should be in school at 8.15 am.	
PERIOD 1 & 2	
Period 1	8.25 am – 9.25 am
Period 2	9.25 am – 10.25 am
VMG/ Assembly	
10.25 am – 10.45 am	
BREAK	
10.45 am – 11.00 am	
Period 3 & 4	
Period 3	11.00 am – 12 noon
Period 4	1 Hour
Lunch: ½ hour	
12 Noon – 12.30 pm	
12.30 pm – 1.00 pm	
1.00 pm – 1.30 pm	
Period 5 & Enrichment	
Period 5	1.30 pm – 2.30 pm
After School Enrichment	2.30 pm – 3.30 pm

## School uniform

You should by now have collected your child's free school uniform bundle (if this is not the case you will be contacted shortly to arrange collection). *Reminder* - any items that do not fit in the bundle can be exchanged at the Uniform Exchange Event

being held on Thursday 29 July in the school Dining Room (please see school website for times).

### **Summer Challenge**

I have recently set the summer challenge for students to 'do something bigger than themselves'. It would be great if you support this initiative by informing us if you feel your child has done something special to support another. We will then celebrate these in September. The form can be accessed below;

<https://forms.gle/8zU1itscsfTdDkzs7>

I apologise this is a long letter but as we have been unable to meet face to face I felt it important to clarify a number of issues. We are very much looking forward to your child joining us in September. I would like to take this opportunity to wish you a restful break and I sincerely hope that your holiday plans go as best intended.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Ian Cooper', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Ian Cooper  
**Head of School**