



28th May 2021

Dear Parent/Carer

It's good to see that some sunshine and warm weather is finally on the horizon. We are looking forward to more normal activities later this term, such as our annual Sports Day and our induction days for Year 6 pupils and Sixth Formers.

Catch up Tuition

The first tranche of pupils undertaking catch up provision with Ransted Education tutors is now coming to a close. The main focus has been on examination candidates, but we are now investigating the potential to extend this particular provision to younger pupils.

Plans for Recovery Learning

The Education Recovery Commissioner, Sir Kevan Collins, is finalising the strategy for the national Education Recovery Plan and we hope to hear the detail of this in the near future. In the meantime, we continue to undertake our own intervention work and to reinforce key concepts and skills across the curriculum. In September, we will be undertaking GL assessments, to further identify gaps in learning. These assessments are standardised, continuously validated, and trusted in over 100 countries. This will provide some additional objective data and information on which to build.

Oak National Academy Summer Learning Support

We will be providing more information in the second half of this term about Oak's Summer Classroom. This will introduce Oak to parents wanting to support their child's learning over the Summer.

New appointments

I am delighted to report that Mr Storey will join us in September as new Director of Mathematics and Mr Archer as teacher of Mathematics. We will also welcome Mr Russell as Lead Teacher of Chemistry . Ms Smeaton-Small as teacher of Science and Ms Rush as teacher of English.

Term Dates

Autumn term

- Monday 6 September - Friday 22 October 2021
- Half-term holiday: Monday 25 - Friday 29 October 2021
- Monday 1 November - Friday 17 December 2021
- Christmas holiday: Monday 20 December - Tuesday 4 January 2022

Spring term

- Wednesday 5 January - Friday 11 February 2022
- Half-term holiday: Monday 14 - Friday 18 February 2022
- Monday 21 February - Friday 1 April 2022
- Easter holiday: Monday 4 - Tuesday 19 April 2022

Summer term

- Wednesday 20 April - Friday 27 May 2022 (Monday 2 May is a Bank Holiday)
- Half-term holiday: Monday 30 - Friday 3 June 2022
- Monday 6 June - Friday 22 July 2022
- Summer holiday: Monday 25 July - Monday 5 September 2022

Kindest regards

Dr J Hunt
Headteacher