

OAKS PARK HIGH SCHOOL



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Learning Together, Achieving Together

Diary Dates

Thur 29 Sept
6th Form Movers
and Shakers
Evening

Fri 30 Sept
Y8 HPV
Vaccinations in
the Hall

Dear Parents/Carers,

As you are aware we have made wearing the school uniform with pride when at school and travelling to and from school a focus for the start of term. Many thanks for all your support in ensuring that your children are looking like true role models in the community. We have been impressed with how well the students have positively responded to leaving non-uniform items at home and ensuring that their uniform is worn correctly at all times. Please keep up the reminders/checks before they leave home for the appropriate skirt/trouser length, ties and blazers in place. Students do not have permission to arrive at school wearing their PE kit for a period 1 lesson, time is given for all students to change at the start of the lesson.

We really appreciate your support with this; making sure that all in the community look the part helps to elevate expectations and gets the day off to a good start!

BOYS' UNIFORM:

- + Green blazer and school badge
- + School tie – green and gold stripes (worn to waist length)
- + Black v-neck jumper/cardigan (optional)
- + White shirt with collar (tucked in)
- + Loose fitting black school trousers
- + Plain black leather or leather look shoes (not suede or canvas).

GIRLS' UNIFORM:

- + Green blazer and school badge
- + School tie – green and gold stripes (worn to waist length)
- + Black v-neck jumper/cardigan (optional)
- + White shirt with collar (tucked in)
- + Box pleat black skirt (worn at least knee length) or loose fitting black school trousers (Classic style)
- + Plain black or tan coloured tights
- + Plain black or white ankle length turnover socks
- + With regard to religious observance, if headscarves are worn they must be black.
- + White scarves are allowed in the summer term.
- + Plain black leather or leather look shoes (not suede or canvas).

Ms J L Hamill
Headteacher

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Early Finish – Open Evening Thursday 6th October 2016

On Thursday 6th October 2016 we have our Open Evening for parents of prospective students for September 2017. A large number of students and staff will be involved in the evening. In order to prepare for this, school will finish at 1pm on Thursday 6th October. Lessons 1-4 will take place as normal. Students will be able to spend their free school meal allowance at break time.

1. The Open Evening will take place from 5:30 pm – 8:30 pm. A number of students will be involved in the evening. They **MUST** be in full school uniform and have a signed permission slip.
2. **On Friday 7th October, school will begin at 9:30 am (Lesson 2).** This will give us time to prepare the school for lessons after the previous evening's event. The breakfast facility will be available for students from 8:45 am.

Thank you for your support on what is a very important evening for the school.

Mr D Dutch Deputy Headteacher

Parents Dropping Students Off and Picking Up Outside of the School Entrances

Could we, again, please ask parents not to drop or pick up their children directly by the front of either of the school entrances. This is potentially very dangerous as whilst you are trying to manoeuvre your car students are crossing the road to get into or out of school. It can also be very frustrating for members of staff who are trying to enter or leave the staff car park. There are also zig-zag lines which should not be parked on at all during school times.

Both entrances are in very narrow roads and some parents insist on driving right up to the gate and then have to turn around! We have had several near misses reported and now with the added danger of all the building work deliveries it is very dangerous.

Please, please if you must drive your child to school, drop them off at a safe distance (for example a nearby side road) and let them walk the rest of the way. The exercise will help them to start the day much better!

Your help in this matter would be much appreciated.

Thank you

Mr D Dutch Deputy Headteacher

Build a Bike and Ride

Learn to build your own bike and then ride it!

No date, time or venue yet – it will be after school. But if you are interested please come and see Mr. Chapman B8 asap for your place on this course.

OAKS PARK VOICES recommences this week Thursday during form time and lunchtime!

To all our fantastic singers, please come along so we can start to prepare for the upcoming music concert!

If you are new to the school or you would just like to take part this year then you are also welcome.

(See Ms Bryan in the Music department for more details).

Friday Prayers

Please note that Friday Prayers will be held in C13 at 1.40.
Students should eat before they attend.

Mr H Islam

Voice and Musical Instrument Lessons

**We have spaces available for 15 minute Voice,
Guitar and Woodwind lessons.**

Please ask Ms Brown or Ms McGuigan for more details or a letter.

Cycle to School Challenge from Monday, 3rd to Friday, 14th October 2016

Cycle in as much as you can during these 2 weeks and help Oaks Park High School to win, again!

Dr. Bike will be in on Monday, 3rd October from 8 until 12.00 for free servicing.

Mr S Chapman

Word of the Week

Cynophilist

Noun

Meaning:

A person with a love of dogs.

In a sentence:

“Rachel always loved animals but since dog sitting for her neighbour she has become a true cynophilist.”

Motivational Quote of the Week

“Never stop doing
your best
just because someone
doesn't give you credit”