

Year 10 Parent Notes

I would like to take this opportunity to welcome you back to a new academic year.

This year is about starting the marathon that is studying for their GCSEs. Due to the importance of the next two years it is imperative to build on the successes of last year and put right any of the mistakes as soon as possible. This is a perfect opportunity for all students in Year 10 to make a fresh start and it is vital that students get into great working routines as soon as possible. Students need to know that studying for GCSEs is a two year effort and there can be no time lost, even now at the beginning of Year 10. To ensure they make the best possible start they need to make sure that they are coming to school fully equipped and ready to learn, as every lesson counts. I really hope that over the last three days your son/daughter has started to settle down well into their studies and have enjoyed their first tastes of their new subjects.

As a school, we hugely value the academic support you provide at home for the students and would request that you check your son/daughter's Frog homework page regularly so that you know what homework is being set as well as checking that they are completing homework set as the majority of this homework will be about extending and reinforcing their learning. It is vital that students get into the correct mind-set to succeed and one way of showing this is by making sure they are meeting the homework deadlines set.

We look forward to seeing you at the **Parent Information Evening on Thursday 21 September** from **6.30pm until 7.30pm** in the **Main Hall**. During this evening a lot of information about the following year will be shared with you as parents and where possible could I request that your son/daughter does not attend unless there is absolutely no alternative. A lot of the information they will already be aware about, or will be shared with them over the next few weeks in assemblies and lessons. Unfortunately, due to the amount of information we need to give out on this evening it is not an opportunity for a 1 on 1 meeting with the tutor, but you could arrange a meeting for a later date at the ending of the evening with the tutor if there is something vital the tutor or school need to know. Likewise you can always email me with any concerns.

Parent / School Communication

As a final point can we please ask that you copy Claire Kent, our Communications Officer (ckent@oxtedschool.co.uk) into any email communications with the school? This enables us to ensure we respond as quickly as possible to any queries you may have.

I hope you have a good weekend.

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