

Year 8 Parent Notes

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

This year is about building upon the progress made in Year 7 and ensuring that new challenges are set now that the pupils are well and truly settled into life at Oxted School.

Miss Wheeler, Progress Leader for Year 8, and I recognise the importance of students getting off to a good start this year, so it is imperative that students get into good routines as early as possible. They need to make sure that they are coming to school fully equipped and ready to learn as each lesson is vital to the progression of your child.

As a school, we hugely value the academic support that you provide at home and would request that you check your Frog regularly to ensure that your son/daughter is completing the homework set to the best of their ability and to the deadline. It would also be helpful if you could help them plan their time carefully so that homework tasks don't 'build up' and become unmanageable. Students should be completing 30 minutes of English, Maths, Science, History and Geography a week. All other subjects set 30 minutes per fortnight. Drama, PE and Music will not set formal homework at KS3.

More information about independent learning and homework can be found on our website here: <http://www.oxtedschool.org/65/homework-and-independent-learning>.

We look forward to seeing you at **Meet the Tutor Parent Information Evening** on **Wednesday 20 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. Unfortunately, due to the amount of information we need to give out on this evening, we are unable to offer opportunities for a 1 on 1 meeting with the tutor, but you are welcome to arrange a meeting with the tutor for a later date if there is something vital that the tutor or school need to know. You are always welcome to email Miss Wheeler as Progress Leader, should you have any concerns that you would like to discuss.

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 that you may have.

We hope that you have a good weekend.

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