



Dear Parent/Carer

Important Information for Oasis Academy Lister Park Families

I hope you are all well and keeping safe as the numbers of covid cases rise slightly within the Bradford district. Thankfully, numbers remain low in the academy, and I would like to remind you to please continue to ensure your child arrives to school every day with their mask. Face coverings must still be worn in all Bradford schools in the corridors and communal areas and students are advised to continue wearing them in classrooms to help keep themselves and others safe.

Timing of the Day

From September I would like to remind you that our school day will **finish at 3:00pm**. Our start time will remain the same but the extension at the end of the day from 2:30pm to 3:00pm will allow us to ensure we provide your child with a longer education and support the learning gaps which may have occurred due to Covid during the past two academic years. It is important that your child arrives on time every day to school, and it is your legal responsibility as a parent/carer to ensure this.

Reading Focus

Literacy, and the ability to read, is now known to be one of the most important life skills and contributors to success in education and the workplace. From September, all our students from years 7 to 13 will **read every day for 30 minutes**. We will communicate with you in September about the books your child will be reading and how the reading programme will be launched. We hope that you will support us in our mission to allow all our students to become fluent readers.

Compulsory Equipment for all Students

Being organised and prepared for school will help your child to be a successful learner. From September we are making changes to the equipment which your child **must** bring with them to school every day. To support families, we have taken the decision to purchase this basic equipment for all students so that no one is disadvantaged. In September, all students will be given the following equipment on their first day back. They will then be expected to **bring this with them every day**. Failure to do this will be breaching the school policy.

- An iPad
- A school rucksack
- A school pencil case
- Pens, pencils, and a ruler
- A reading book

Student iPads

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The Oasis Community Learning Trust has invested heavily in a state-of-the-art iPad for all its students. This is part of the Horizons programme. For your child to receive their iPad, parents/carers must sign the form which will be coming out shortly. iPads must then be brought to and from school **fully charged every day in the school rucksack provided** along with any other equipment needed for the school day. Further information about the Horizons programme will be provided shortly.

New PE Kit

Through listening to student feedback, we have made the decision to change our school PE kit. This new PE kit is compulsory for new students into year 7 next year. We ask that any students from now on who need to purchase new PE kit **only buy the new style clothing**. This is available in all our uniform shops stockists.

Future Communication

From September 2021, all our communication to you as parents/carers will be electronic. For this reason, **you must ensure we have a parental email address and mobile phone number**. If you do not provide the school with an email address and phone number you will miss out on key information such as your child's school report, your child's behaviour log, upcoming events, and news. **We will be using the MyCAS system** (My Child At School) and you must sign up to this in order to receive all correspondence and communication. If you are unsure how to do this, please contact the academy and someone will be able to help you.

Catering

From October half term, we will be changing our catering partners along with every other academy in the Oasis Trust. We will be moving to Sodexo and will provide you with more information in September. We will also be moving fully to our **cashless catering system** through MyCAS. Please ensure you are signed up to MyCAS so that your child can receive a school dinner.

TAG's

Our students in years 11 and 13 have now completed all their assessment work and their teacher assessed grades have been submitted. Our level 3 and A Level results will be emailed out to students on **Tuesday 10th August 2021** and our GCSE results will be emailed out to students on **Thursday 12th August 2021**. All students will also receive a one-to-one meeting invite for the day of their results and will be invited into school at a specific time to meet with our leadership team. Here, additional support will be given to those students who need to consider their next steps.

I hope you will find the above information useful. If you have any concerns or worries, please contact your child's form tutor or Head of Year and they will be able to assist you. I will be in touch again before we break up for the summer but for now, please continue to keep yourselves and your

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families safe and thank you once again for the continued support you give to your child's education and the Academy.

Yours Sincerely,

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