

Orchard Manor School
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17th July 2020

Dear Parents/Carers,

I think you will agree that this academic year has been like no other. Although the pandemic has disrupted that way that we live and work, it is important to reflect on the positives that we have seen a vast amount of over the past few months.

When we went into lockdown back in March, there was a huge amount of uncertainty for our pupils, parents and staff. I am so proud of how the whole staff team has rallied together and done everything they can to make this term as positive as possible for our young people. We have had lovely feedback from parents, in particular, about how pupils have been able to stay connected with the school through phone calls, video calls, engaging learning activities and for many, the opportunity to spend some time in school.

We wouldn't have been able to do any of this with the incredible support from parents. Parents/carers have played a huge role themselves in supporting pupils throughout this difficult time including encouraging pupils to engage with remote learning activities. I would like to thank all of the parents/carers for your support and your continued patience and understanding throughout these unprecedented times.

Next Week

Although pupils are not in school next week, other than our new starters and leavers, remote learning will continue and parents should expect a final phone or video call from staff.

Reintegration Week

School will recommence for pupils on Monday 7th September. To support pupils in returning to school and reintegrating back into routines and expectations, the first week back will be a 'reintegration week'. This means that the majority of pupils will be in school for two days during the first week, with pupils returning to school full time from Monday 14th September.

Please see below what days your son/daughter will be expected in school for the first week back.

Upper site

<i>Class</i>	<i>Monday 7th</i>	<i>Tuesday 8th</i>	<i>Wednesday 9th</i>	<i>Thursday 10th</i>	<i>Friday 11th</i>
6CC	New pupils transitioning into 6CC with CCarter	New pupils transitioning into 6CC with CCarter			
<i>Current pupils currently in Y6 in 6CC and new pupils to create: 7EMC and 7ACR</i>			7ACR with ACrump 7EMc with EMcGowen	7ACR with ACrump 7EMc with EMcGowen	
<i>7EMC to become 8CGi 7ACR to become 8FBa</i>	8CGi with CGilpin 8FBa with FBallentine	8CGi with CGilpin 8FBa with FBallentine			
<i>8Gil to become 9NGR 8JWo to become 9JWo</i>			9NGr to work with NGreen 9JW to be with JWoodward	9NGr to work with NGreen 9JW to be with JWoodward	
<i>9NGR to become 10JWh 9WSt to become 10NJA</i>	10 JWh with new teacher JWheeler (10JWH) 10NJa with NJarran	10 JWh with new teacher JWheeler (10JWH) 10NJa with NJarran			
<i>Current Y10s will become 11Aca and 11BSla</i>			11 ACav 11 BSla	11 ACav 11 BSla	
<i>Transition Group</i>	To be discussed with individual parents				

Lower site

	<i>Monday 7th</i>	<i>Tuesday 8th</i>	<i>Wednesday 9th</i>	<i>Thursday 10th</i>	<i>Friday 11th</i>
Beech/Peach	In school	In school			
Plum	In school	In school			
Purple			In school	In school	
Teal		In school	In school		
Gold			In school	In school	
Red	In school	In school			
Green				In school	In school
Orange	In school	In school			
Lime		In school	In school		
Yellow		In school	In school		
Blue	In school	In school			

Parent Questionnaire

We will be sharing a parent questionnaire with you early next week. It is really important that we seek your views to support our continued school development and to ensure we continue to support our young people in the best way possible.

The questionnaire will be an online form via ParentMail. We would really appreciate it if you could take the time to complete it and shared your views. The deadline to complete the survey is 3:30pm on 31st July 2020. All parents who respond to the questionnaire will be entered into a raffle to win a fantastic summer hamper.

Please be assured that your responses will be kept anonymous, however to enter you into the prize draw, Abigail Norris will record your name to enter you into the draw.

Thank you in anticipation and good luck in the draw!

Finally, I hope that all pupils enjoy a relaxing and enjoyable summer holiday and feel refreshed and ready to come back to school in September. We can't wait to welcome all pupils back to school and return to some sort of normality.

Keep safe!

Best wishes,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Mark Rose', written in a cursive style.

Mark Rose
Executive Principal