



TOA 10-

10 key messages for the week in 10 minutes

21 Sept 2020

Dear Parents / Carers,

It has been a pleasure to join The Oxford Academy as Headteacher and start to get to know our students and some of you. While our Covid restrictions have made communicating in person with you challenging, I am very grateful for the opportunities I have had to speak to so many of you and listen to your ideas about our school.

Your support in helping staff to welcome your children back to school has been truly appreciated - thank you.

Thank you for reading these messages carefully and preparing your child for the week ahead.

If you need anything, have a question or a concern - please don't hesitate to get in touch.

With best wishes

Mrs Ward

For information

Covid-19 Information



What to do if...	Action Needed	When can my child return to school?
My child has COVID-19 symptoms- high temp, new continuous cough or loss of sense of smell or taste.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Do not send your child to school• Book a test for your child• Whole household family to self isolate• Inform the school immediately about the test result	If the test is negative and child is well enough, symptom free for 48 hours and not advised to self-isolate by test and trace service.
My child tests positive for COVID-19.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Do not send your child to school• Child to self isolate for at least 10 days from when symptoms started• Inform the school immediately• Whole household to self-isolate for 14 days.	When the child feels better, has been without a fever for 48 hours and has completed the 10 day isolation period. They can return to school after 10 days even if the symptoms remain.
My child has cold like symptoms, such as a runny nose, but not the symptoms of COVID-19.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Your child does NOT need a test• Members of your household do NOT need to self isolate	Your child can attend school if fit to do so.

Attendance Update

Currently whole school attendance (years 7-13) is 90%

Our school attendance target is 95% or better (National average)

Our year group with the highest attendance is currently Year 7 with 95%.

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Parent question of the week:

What is happening with school dinners? My son keeps saying he hasn't had any lunch!

-Year 9 parent

Because of Covid, we cannot have different year groups in the dining hall together. That is why we are currently only offering a pack lunch service.

Students order a pack lunch with their tutor in the morning, whether they are paying for a lunch or entitled to a free one.

If students need to pay for lunches, parents need to use an online payment. We cannot accept cash payments in school at the moment.

Account name: The Oxford Academy Trust Catering Account: Account number 03276031 Sort code: 20-65-46 Ref: please quote your child's name as reference. Please email cardtopup@theoxfordacademy.org.uk to notify us once a payment has been made to ensure that the funds are allocated to the pupils account without delay.

For Celebration

Awards



We are currently running the 'Best Kept Year Area' competition- prize of a lunchtime ice cream for the entire year group.

Which year group have the best room display boards?

Where is little to no litter?

Which year group has worked to make their outside space look the best?

Thank you for encouraging your child to get involved in this competition.

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Parent queries:



If you need to contact the school with any query, your first point of contact should be your **child's tutor**.

Please email enquiries@theoxfordacademy.org.uk and your question will be sent to the right person- As always we will aim to get back to you within 48 hours.

If you have a question for next week's TOA 10, please get in touch.

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This Week in TOA:

- All week- Google Training for students
- 22th September- Fire practice for year 10
- 23th September- Year 7 Virtual Parents Evening- Calls by Appointment
- 23th September- Fire practice for year 11
- 23th September- Filming in school for school video- opt out by Tuesday 24th
- 23th September- Catch up vaccinations for year 10 students
- 24th September- Fire practice for years 12 and 13

Reminder- school closes for students at 2:05 on the 1st October

Safeguarding

Concerned or worried about the welfare of a child?



At The Oxford Academy, our number one priority is to ensure that our children feel safe and that both students and parents know who to speak to if there is a safeguarding concern.

Our safeguarding team are:

Designated Safeguarding Lead: Andy Poole (Assistant Headteacher)

Deputy Safeguarding Lead: David Lammin (Safeguarding Officer)

If you would like to contact a member of the safeguarding team, please use safeguarding@theoxfordacademy.org

Safeguarding

Online bullying

During the holidays we received a number of messages regarding online bullying. If your child is being bullied either through an app, game or a chat room, below is some advice for you to follow:

- Get your child to remove themselves from the situation and block the bully.
- Report the concern to the app, game or chat room
- If the content of the message is racist, sexual, has threatening content or is homophobic- Please report this to the police.

If you would like specific information about games, please visit [Net Aware](#) who provide detailed information about individual games.