



7th October 2020

Dear Parent / Carer

I am really looking forward to seeing all the lovely students of Outwood Academy Riverside on Monday 12th October 2020. The whole staff have missed them all and can't wait to get back to it.

School returns Monday 12th October

As a reminder, students need to arrive at the school by 8.20 am each day. They will line up in tutor groups and will be escorted into the building by their form tutor after washing their hands. School finishes at 2.30 pm where they will be similarly lined up on the yard, ready to be collected, unless the children wish to stay at school for enrichment sessions. Please encourage your child to take part in our wonderful enrichment opportunities.

Enrichment

Week Day	Enrichment	Room and Staff
Monday	Football Basketball Geography Spanish Film Club	Mr Cox Miss Connor Mrs Cooper - Room 2 Ms Bergello - Room 5
Wednesday	Environmental City Maths Masters (Invite Only) Choir (NEW)	Mrs White - Room 3 Miss Hanmer - Room 4 Mrs Brant-Smith - Dining Room
Thursday	Extra English SPARKS (Maths) Lego Robotics	Mr Wood - Room 1 Miss Hanmer - Room 4 Miss Green - Room 3
Friday	History	Mr Cooper - Room 2

Covid-19 Safety

The students have been very mature and taken the guidance of wearing a facemask in corridors and communal areas in their stride since September. However, this is now legislation and that means by law students and staff are required to wear facemasks on the corridors and communal areas where social distancing is not possible. They do not have to wear a face mask in lessons. Please can you ensure your child comes to school with their own face mask on Monday. We have a limited supply of spare masks which we can offer in an emergency, however it is vital that the students continue to wear their own masks. If you believe your child is exempt from wearing a mask then please let us know directly.

Expectations

- We have high expectations of our students - I would like to ask you to remind them that they must be silent when they are in the corridors and once they have been asked to in their lines outside.
- Please do not allow your child to bring in items that are not allowed in the academy – crisps, chocolate, sweets, fizzy drinks, energy drinks, and chewing gum. If these items

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are seen they will be confiscated and disposed of. Food will not be allowed to be eaten in the outside yard area.

- We expect students to only drink water. Great News! A supply of fresh spring water is now available for the students to access throughout the day. However we do ask that they fill their bottles up outside of lesson time.
- The only item of jewellery that can be worn by students is a watch. We do not allow earrings, piercings, rings etc of any kind.
- Hair should be of a natural colour palette and any bobbles / hair accessories need to be black or purple. Makeup is not allowed in the academy, nail extensions and nail varnish are also not permitted.
- Planners should be signed every week by a parent/carer at home. In lessons, students are expected to have their planner open on their desk on the appropriate day. A student's planner is also an effective means to communicate with your child's tutor.

Uniform

Full uniform is to be worn by students. However, we understand that in the winter months students will want to wear a warm coat before they enter and after they exit the school building. This includes full uniform to be worn each day as well as full PE kit on Mondays. All students will participate in PE on Mondays. Please ensure their full kit is clean and brought into school every Monday. They do not need to arrive in their PE kits, they will be given the opportunity to get changed before and after lessons. Students will be using the fantastic PE facilities at Middlesbrough College and this takes approximately 5 minutes to walk to.

Equipment

Students should bring with them their own basic equipment as a minimum. This includes a pen, pencil and ruler. If students wish to bring additional equipment, we would be very happy with this and items could include an eraser, coloured pens and pencils etc. Basic equipment is safely accessible at school but we do recommend students bring their own equipment.

The Values Programme

We will continue to revisit our Values Programme learning about what it means to be a part of Outwood Academy Riverside. Our Values programme consists of 9 values that will make our academy special and unique.

Courage	Protection	Truth, Integrity and Loyalty
Knowledge and Wisdom	Kindness and Compassion	Pride
Respect	Being Lion-Hearted	Mastering Emotions

Staffing Update

I am delighted to introduce to you to Miss Green who is our Associate Vice Principal. Miss Green is joining us from Outwood Academy Ormesby and has an array of experience. She can't wait to finally spend some time with the students after our isolation period. Miss Green is a Computer Science specialist and she will be teaching Mr Marshall's lessons, therefore Mr Marshall has returned to Outwood Academy Ormesby full time.

Yours faithfully



Mrs M Brant-Smith
Principal