



29th January 2021

Dear Parents/Carers,

We have been delighted with how well so many of our students have adapted to live-lessons since January and the benefits this has brought to their learning. We would like to thank you for the positive feedback we have received around the quality of these lessons.

Given that the Government have said that schools will not open until 8th March at the earliest and not immediately after half term as first though we must make provisions for on-line lessons to continue. It remains crucial that all students continue to fully engage in live lessons in order to make appropriate academic progress. You are able to track your child's online engagement using the MCAS app. If you require your log in details for this please email info@oasismayfield.org

It was also announced that for those eligible for FSM the national voucher scheme will be extended to take into account this prolonged closure.

Oasis Horizons – Update

We are thrilled to share that we have launched our Oasis Horizons programme earlier this week to Years 8 and 9 students, with over 300 iPads now being used for learning from home. Today we will also see any remaining Year 11 students without a device collect a laptop from the Academy. This will mean that over 60% of our students at the Academy will have a device. Thank you to everyone for your patience with collecting your devices, if you are still awaiting your device for a student in Years 8, 9 or 11 please contact your child's Head of Year to book in a collection.

Looking ahead to our Years 7 and 10 Oasis Horizons launch, we have been made aware that there is a national shortage of devices. We are working hard together with Oasis Community Learning and Apple Distributors to ensure that we can access devices for our students as a priority. This being said, it does mean that there is an unavoidable delay to our launch of Oasis Horizons with Years 7 and 10. We are sorry to have to delay our launch, and will reschedule as soon as we receive our confirmed delivery date. We will send a text message to update you as soon as we can confirm a revised launch date. This will be followed by a letter outlining the next steps in enrolling for this programme and collecting an iPad.

Once again, we thank you for your support in these difficult times and we will keep you updated on further developments as they come to light.

Yours sincerely

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