



21<sup>st</sup> March 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

I am writing with an urgent update on the effect of staff Covid related sickness on Oasis Academy Mayfield.

It is with regret that we will be closed to Year 8 and 9 students on Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> and Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> March, and they will be learning remotely. I know that asking your child to learn from home for the next two school days may significantly inconvenience you; please rest assured that we are making this decision to ensure the highest quality of education for your child, and to minimise any further disruption to their learning.

Year 8 and 9 students will return to school on Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> March. If the rates of staff absence continue, we will then be asking Year 7 and 10 students to move to remote learning on Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> and Friday 25<sup>th</sup> March. We will of course provide an update in due course.

You will be aware from recent school communication that we have made every effort to provide an excellent education to all our students while maintaining on an environment that is as safe as possible. I have discussed the current situation with the Local Authority and with Oasis Community Learning. Please note that the school remains open for those students not identified for remote learning namely Year 7, Year 10 and 11.

### **How will my Year 8 / Year 9 child access their remote learning on Tuesday and Wednesday?**

All students will have access to their iPad through the Horizon project, to ensure a seamless transition to blended learning. It may be the case that as staff will be allocated to cover for absent colleagues for those students who remain in school, that there may not be a possibility for some lessons to be live. However appropriate work will be provided in these instances.

All students should check their academy e-mail each morning; from there they will receive instructions of how to access their pre-planned lessons for the day.

### **How will my Year 8 / Year 9 child access their free school meal?**

For those students in receipt of free school meals there will be a follow up communication today explaining the issue of food vouchers for the 48-hour period and how to collect them.

**Principal - Claire Taylor**

**Oasis Academy Mayfield**

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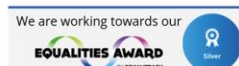
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If you have any further questions or queries, please direct these to your child's Head of Year:  
Year 8: Mr Grindley [billy.grindley@oasismayfield.org](mailto:billy.grindley@oasismayfield.org)  
Year 9: Mr Lambert [paul.lambert@oasismayfield.org](mailto:paul.lambert@oasismayfield.org)

I am grateful for your continued understanding and patience, we will continue to communicate with you regarding next steps. I look forward to welcoming Year 8 and 9 back on Thursday, and will be in touch with Year 7 and Year 10 families if it is necessary for them to learn from home from Thursday.

If circumstances change for the better then please be assured that we will return to normal operation as quickly as possible.

Yours sincerely



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