

# Welcome!

Wednesday, 5<sup>th</sup> October 2011



**The biggest  
year of your life**



# Mission and Vision

- ***We strive for excellence through a holistic educational journey that will transform the lives of every learner and the communities that we serve.***
- ***As an Oasis Academy we will be an outstanding, vibrant learning community that develops the skills required for an ever-changing world and a hunger for life-long learning.***
- ***We are a loving family who have the highest expectations and aspirations for all, working together to overcome barriers to success and fulfilment.***
- ***We celebrate every person as a unique individual. Through our passion, commitment and innovation we nurture, challenge and guide learners to excel in a life of limitless potential.***

# Our Beliefs...

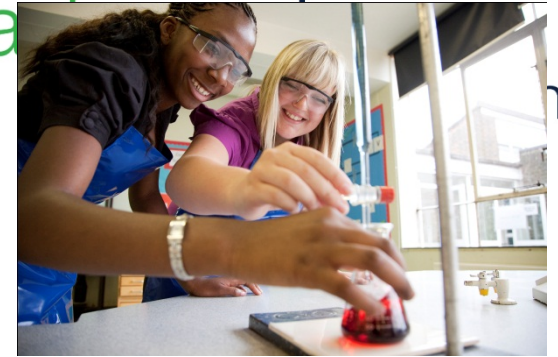
Every Person matters

High Expectations

No Excuses

No Islands


Lead Learning



# Last Year's cohort...

## Record Results

**93%** of students got 5 or more  
A\*-C grades  
(Up 42% in 3 years)



# Last Year's cohort...

## Record Results

**49%** of students got 5 or more GCSEs including English and Mathematics

(Up 12% on last year)



**BUT**



# It's not good enough!


- **This** year group will smash those records *if...*




# Our Targets this year:


- Minimum of 60% to achieve 5 or more GCSEs including English and Maths
- 100% to achieve 5 or more GCSEs overall




- Mrs Patel – Family Leader
  - Ms Green – Director of Maths & Science
  - Mrs Moisan – Head of English
  - Mrs Goodwin – Head of Maths
  - Ms Swan – English
  - Mr Crivich – Maths
  - Mr Shorney – Maths
  - Mrs Straker – Maths
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- Year 11 is now a *horizontal* year group
  - Students have a Mentor – Maths or English
  - Weds and Thurs – 1 hour extra Maths or English until 3.30pm
  - Pastoral issues are covered
  - Meet the Mentor – they will have the same colour as you
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## How we will ensure Year 11 do well?

- Strong staff on Year 11 classes
  - Mentor system
  - Year 11 Intervention Programme
  - Additional accreditation opportunities
  - Expertise and experience (proved in last year's results)
  - Regular parental consultation (Partnership)
  - Homework club
  - ICT facilities
  - Examination and re-sit opportunities
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# Intervention

- Staff working with you
  - Not chasing students
  - After school programme available
  - Homework club
  - Coursework sessions
  - Study skills
  - Regular evenings for parents
  - Target groups
  - Holiday support
  - Working as a team
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# Half Term

- Academy closed to all week beg 24<sup>th</sup> Oct
  - Year 11 compulsory timetable week beg 31<sup>st</sup> October (see letter)
  - Full Academy uniform and equipment
  - Highest expectations of behaviour
  - A great opportunity to ensure the November exams go well
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# Our New Academy

Oasis academy





**English**

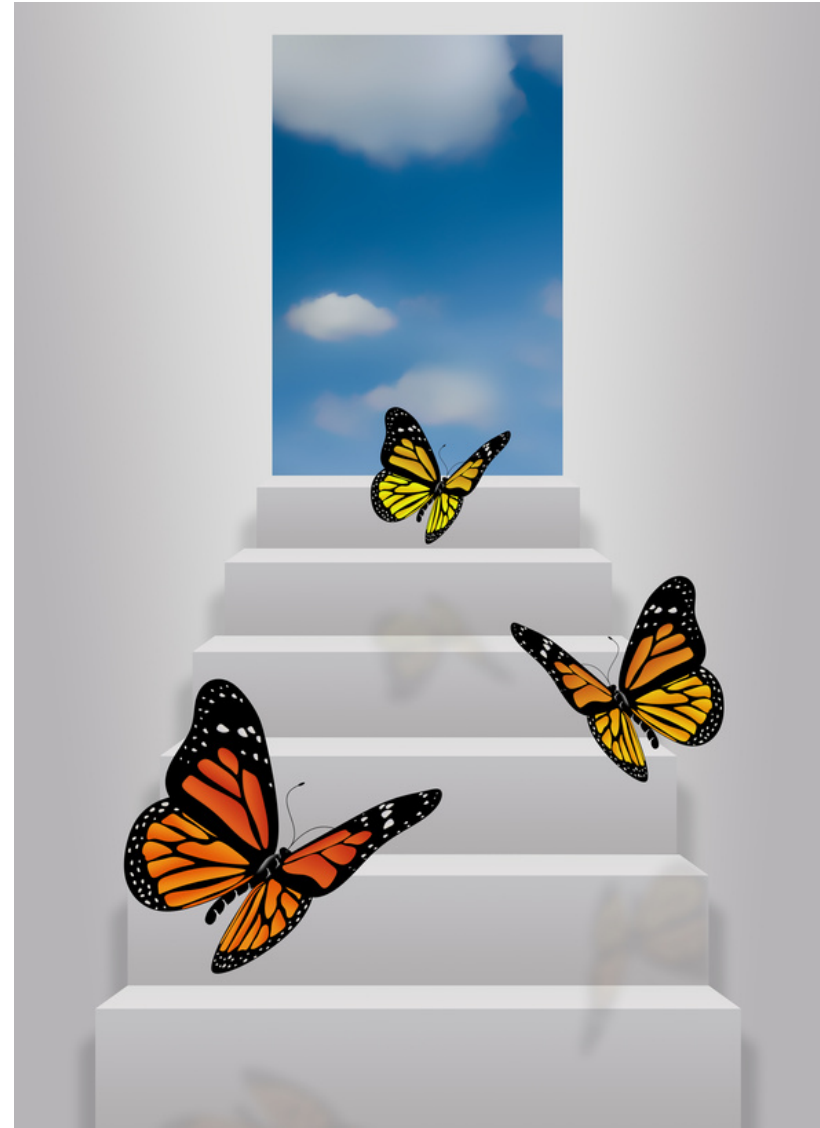
# 2011 English Results

- 68% achieved A\*-C
- Exceeded our target
- 22% achieved A\*-B
- No differences between boys and girls
- No significant differences between different ethnic groups
- A third consecutive year of success
- A proven track record



# Current Year 11

- A\*-C target is 95%
- 29% banked A\*-C in June 2011 for Unit 1 exam
- 2 A\* grades
- 2 A grades
- 3 B grades
- 22 C grades
- 4 D grades
- Some of these students will re-take the exam in May 2012.



# GCSE English Language Early Exam Entry

- 67 students will sit the exam in January 2012
- Some will re-take the exam in May 2012



<b>Unit 3: Controlled Assessments 40%</b>	<b>Unit 1: Exam</b> <b>2 hours, 15 mins 40%</b>	
a) <b>Extended Reading</b> 15% <b>30 marks</b> b) <b>Creative Writing</b> 15% <b>30 marks</b> c) <b>Spoken Language</b> Study 10% <b>20 marks</b>	<b>Section A:</b> <b>Reading 20%</b>  Higher tier: Answer all 4 questions on 3 texts.  Foundation tier: Answer all 5 questions on 3 shorter texts.  <b>40 marks</b>	<b>Section B:</b> <b>Writing 20%</b>  Two writing tasks 1) shorter task <b>16 marks</b>  2) longer task <b>24 marks</b>
<b>Unit 2: Speaking and Listening 20%</b> <b>45 marks</b> - <b>presenting</b> - <b>discussing &amp; listening</b> - <b>role playing</b>	<b>40 marks</b>	

<b>Unit 3: 25% Controlled Assessment</b>	<b>2 Exams</b>	
	<b>75%</b>	
	<b>Unit 1</b>	<b>Unit 2</b>
<b>Shakespeare and the English Literary Heritage</b>	<b>Exploring Modern Texts 40%</b>	<b>Poetry Across Time 35%</b>
<b><u>19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> Oct 2011</u></b>	<b>Section A: modern prose or drama 20%</b>	<b>Section A: poetry from the anthology 23%</b>
<b>40 marks</b>	<b>Section B: exploring cultures 20%</b>	<b>Section B: responding to an unseen poem 12%</b>
	<b>60 marks</b>	<b>54 marks</b>

# How to get A\*-C in English

- 95%+ attendance
- Homework x2 per week
- Time management
- Read non-fiction texts: newspapers, magazines, leaflets, biographies, etc.
- Proof-read your writing, checking for SPAG



# Dates of English Exams

- English Language Unit 1 – Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> January 2012 am
  - English Language Unit 1 – Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> May 2012 am
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- English Literature Unit 1 – Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2012 am
  - English Literature Unit 2 – Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> May 2012 pm

# 7 months left!

- Intervention days
- 33 students are being mentored by English teachers and have an extra 2 hours of English lessons every week.
- The rest is up to you.
- You get the results you deserve!





**Maths**

# The next 5 weeks...

6 <sup>th</sup> October	Algebra booster session
7 <sup>th</sup> October	Mock Paper 1
10 <sup>th</sup> October	Mock Paper 2
17 <sup>th</sup> October	Mock results sent home
1 <sup>st</sup> – 3 <sup>rd</sup> , 7 <sup>th</sup> – 8 <sup>th</sup> November	Maths Intervention Sessions 9:00 – 2:30
9 <sup>th</sup> November	Paper 1
14 <sup>th</sup> November	Paper 2

# The Exam

## Paper 1 – 9<sup>th</sup> November

You will need:

2 pens

2 pencils (and a pencil sharpener)

Compass

Protractor

## Paper 2 - 14<sup>th</sup> November

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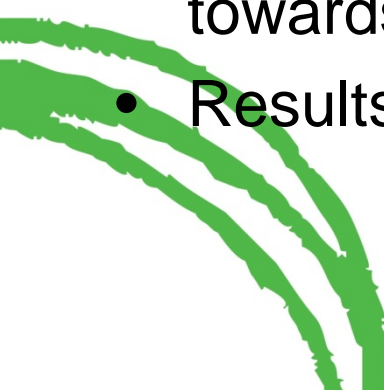
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**Calculator**



# What next?

- Following the exams students will 're-sit' the exams
  - These will be marked by our Maths teachers so that students will know the grade they are likely to achieve
  - Students will be put into new groups based on these results
  - Students who achieve their C Grade will then work towards the Higher paper
  - Students yet to achieve their C will continue to work towards the Foundation paper in March
  - Results will be released on **12<sup>th</sup> January**
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**Science**


# Triple Science

November	Biology and Chemistry Exams
November – March	Three Practical Exams
June	Three Terminal Exams – Biology, Chemistry and Physics



# Additional Science

November	2 Physics Exams (1 multiple choice, 1 written)
November – March	Three Practical Exams
March	2 Chemistry Exams (1 multiple choice, 1 written)
June	2 Biology Exams(1 multiple choice, 1 written)



# The next 5 weeks...

13 <sup>th</sup> October	Mock Exam
18 <sup>th</sup> October	Practical Re-sit Exam (some students only)
4 <sup>th</sup> November	Intervention Day
8 <sup>th</sup> November	Written Paper
14 <sup>th</sup> November	Multiple Choice Paper

