

Dear Parent/Carers

RE: Student setting

Year 7 have made a fantastic start to their academic journey at OAC; we have loved getting to know them during their first term with us and we can already see that they embody the Oasis 9 Habits, showing compassion and consideration for each other, as well as a real joy for learning. We can already see what a special year group they are, and what potential they have moving forwards. Thank you to all families who have worked with us to make their transition such a success.

During the first term of getting to know our students and their strengths and weaknesses, students have been in mixed ability groups. Now that we have had the opportunity to get to know students as individuals, make our own assessments of students, as well as analyse data received from primary schools, we will be grouping students in lessons based on their academic ability. This means your child will be in lessons with other students of similar ability, and the teaching they receive will be targeted and tailored to cater for the groups needs to make sustained and rapid progress.

We understand some students may be disappointed they have not been allocated to a higher group than they would like; at this stage we would like to emphasise that students groupings are reviewed often and are fluid with changes taking place at certain points during their time with us.

New timetables will come into effect as of Monday 22nd January 2024. Students will be able to access their new timetable online over the weekend (Student portal and the MCAS app – the date will need to be changed to view from Monday 22nd January) and printed versions of new timetables will be handed out at check on Monday morning.

Finally, please encourage your child and support them to read for pleasure, as one of the key indicators to academic success is strong literacy levels. Your child should actively be participating in the Academy's Reading Plus programme whilst they are not on site.

If you have any queries or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours sincerely,

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