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MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Attendance at the Academy is very good; around 94% of students are in the Academy every day. This sounds like a high figure but of course many students are in 100% of the time so consequently some students are in for much less than 94%. An attendance rate of 80% might sound quite high but it means missing a whole day every week or one week out of every 5.

The connection between attendance and achievement is very strong – “You’ve got to be in it to win it!” If a student is unwell then of course they need to stay at home and get better. There are also, at times, unforeseen circumstances that result in students not coming in – occasionally this can involve travel abroad.

We have set an attendance target of 95% and we want your help to get all our students to achieve this – it is of course for their long term benefit. Here are some things you can do:-

Keep them well

- Make sure your children get plenty of sleep the recommended time is 9 hours a night.
- Keep TVs, ipods and computers out of bedrooms – many teenagers fall asleep with technology still on and this results in poor sleep patterns.
- Give them breakfast or get them to buy breakfast at school.
- Make sure they get regular exercise.

Take holidays during the school holidays

- I will sanction holidays during school time but this should only happen in exceptional circumstances.
- The Academy is closing early in the summer, with staff training days taken then, please note this so that holiday plans can be made.

FORTHCOMING DATES

Learning Review Day	Tuesday 17 November
End of Term	Friday 18 December
Start of New Term	Wednesday 6 January

MINDBENDER Winner of square mindbender is Caitlin Barnard 7T2, please collect prize from Reception.

In the box below, which of the statements is true, and which is false?

1. The number of false statements in this box is one
2. The number of false statements in this box is two
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4. The number of false statements in this box is four



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Oasischurch

OasisChurch - Enfield, meets each Sunday at The Oasis Academy from 10am starting with an informal time over a cuppa! Then a time to discuss and debate a topic from the Bible. The Church is part of the Oasis Hub and it chooses to serve and work with the school, the children's centre and the youth team. To know more about Oasis church we can be contacted via our website www.church.co.uk/enfield. or call 01992 655463 to speak with Craig or Rachel Bird.

MOBILE PHONES

Whilst we would rather that students did not bring their mobile phones into the Academy, we recognise that sometimes they may need to do so, in order to contact parents with changes to transport arrangements etc. However mobile phones must be kept turned off and out of sight at all times during the school day. They should not be used in school unless a student has specific permission from a member of staff and the phone is used in their presence.

All students are provided with a locker and any valuables, including mobile phones, should be kept safe and locked away, alternatively, phones can be handed in to reception and they will be placed in a locked cupboard. **The school cannot take any responsibility for any lost valuables.**

OASIS ACADEMY WEBSITE

Our new website is up and running for parents/students. It is very easy to navigate round. The weekly newsletter will be uploaded weekly, old copies are also available to view on the website. Also included are term dates, uniform information and many more items. Please take the time to check it out via the website below:

www.oasisacademyenfield.org

LEARNING REVIEW DAY

Can students please remember to bring in their passports from home for Learning Review Day.

Please note that ALL students are required to attend LRD and must wear full uniform.



STUDENT CORNER

HPV VACCINATIONS DATES (GIRLS ONLY)

Wednesday 2nd December
Wednesday 9th June

Please write date in your planner girls.

Mrs Meadows



To encourage reading, pupils are invited to take part in the WWE® Reading Challenge!

The Prize

Four pupils (two primary and two secondary) will win a trip to Phoenix, Arizona to see their heroes in action at WrestleMania® XXVI in March 2010. All entrants will also receive a Reading Champions certificate and a WWE® gift, which will be distributed in January 2010.

To Enter

Pupils must get an entry card from the **Library**.

Read **five** books (magazines, comics, or newspapers) of your own choice, and write these down on the pupil entry card (which you can get from the Library).

Once you have read five items, get the card signed by Mr Iona and then write no more than 100 words on a separate piece of paper to persuade a WWE Superstar to read **one** of their five books.

Hand this in with the completed card to Mr Iona before **Friday 20 November**.

I hope that this challenge helps to encourage you all to get reading.

Mr Iona



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Library Note for Year 9 Readers

If you enjoyed reading *Unique* in your English lessons, the Library has put together a reading list below of other books you might like to try. There are copies of (almost) all of these books available for you to borrow.

Fiction

House of the Scorpion by Nancy Farmer
Lifegame by Alison Allen-Gray
Uglies trilogy, by Scott Westerfeld
Fearless by Tim Lott
The Diary of Pelly D, by L.J. Adlington
Cherry Heaven by L.J. Aldington
The Declaration by Gemma Malley
The Resistance by Gemma Malley
Ryland's Footsteps by Sally Prue
Hybrids by David Thorpe
Bloodtide, Melvin Burgess
Twisted symmetry, Benjamin J. Myers
Strange energy, Benjamin J. Myers
Blood alchemy, Benjamin J. Myers
Gone, Michael Grant

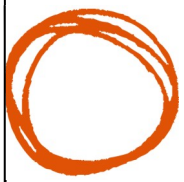
Fiction – For high-level readers

Brave New World by Aldous Huxley
1984 by George Orwell
Never Let Me Go by Kazuo Ishiguro
Oryx and Crake by Margaret Atwood

Non-Fiction

Sea Urchins to Dolly the Sheep, by Sally Morgan
Cloning, by Sally Morgan
Genetic Revolution, by Ewan Mcleish
Genetics, by Jenny Vaughan





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BASKETBALL CLUB REVIEW

Kas Stuart from Enfield Phoenix Basketball Club has been really impressed with some of our students' progress in the basketball club that she runs on Wednesday after school. All involved have been working on developing their basic basketball skills and game play. The level of commitment and improvement has been great and as a result some students have been encouraged to try out for the Phoenix's junior team.

Well done guys, keep up the hard work.

NETBALL CLUB CANCELLED TUESDAY 10th NOVEMBER!

Apologies to all yr7, 8 and 9 girls who attend netball club. Unfortunately I'm going to have to cancel the session this week due to myself and Miss Sheehan both being out at Meetings on Tuesday afternoon.

Training will be back to normal the following week.

Miss Curtis



PE AND PHYSICAL ACTIVITY UPDATE

Extended Activity

Well done to all students who completed their 3 or more club sessions during Module 1.

During Module 2 the expectation is the same. During this module you need to complete a minimum of 3 physical activity club sessions and ensure that a member of staff signs your planner to confirm your attendance.

So in order to achieve this you'll need to check out the updated clubs timetable (attached to this newsletter) and plan out which club(s) you are going to attend.

There have been a few changes to the clubs timetable:

- Girls football is now only before school on a Tuesday.
- Trampolining on Tuesday Lunchtime for Yr7's and 8's is now only for selected students who are training for a competition.
- Thursday lunchtime Trampolining is still open to all.
- Friday lunch Sports Hall Athletics is now open to all.

Clubs Kit Reminder:

- Before School Clubs - Full PE kit
- Lunchtime Clubs
 - Trampolining – socks not tights
 - Dance Mats – trainers
 - Fitness Room – polo shirt and trainers
 - Sports Hall Athletics – PE kit
- After School Clubs - Full PE kit.

Extended Schools – Module 1

Club/Activity	Day	Time	Location
Singing Techniques	Monday	Lunch	Drama Studio
Origami	Monday	Year 7/8 Lunch	Agora
Football (boys)	Monday (360)	4 – 5pm	Astro
Drop in	Monday	7 – 9pm	Kettering Estate, Kettering Hall, Ordinance Rd
Badminton	Monday	Year 9 Lunch	Sports Hall
Gymnastics	Monday	4 –5 pm	Sports Hall
Football (Girls)	Tuesday	8 – 8.30 am	PE
Drop in and music studio	Tuesday	7 – 9pm	Youth Club Enfield Island Village
Manga Club (Japanese style books and films)	Tuesday	4pm	Library
Social Skills	Wednesday	Year 9 Lunch	C21
Drop in	Wednesday	7 – 9pm	Bounces Road, Christian Action Community Hall, Foxglove Close
Street Dance	Thursday	4 – 5.30pm	Island Fitness
Drop in and music studio	Friday	7 – 9pm	Youth Club Enfield Island Village
Table Tennis	Friday	8 – 8.30am	
Extended Learning Club	Monday - Friday	8 – 8.45am	Library
Fitness Room and Dance Mats	Monday Tuesday Tuesday Wednesday	8 – 8.30 am Year 7/8 Lunch Year 9 lunch Year 9 Lunch	Dance Studio and fitness suite
Trampolining	Tuesday Thursday	4 – 5pm Year 7 and 8 lunch	Sports Hall



Contact Roulla Xyrizos or Kerry Freshwater. Tel: 01992 655458 / 400

: Children's Centre Roulla.Xyrizos@oasisenfield.org Kerry.Freshwater@oasisenfield.org

Oasis Children's Centre, Kinetic Crescent, Innova Park, Mollison Avenue, Enfield, EN3 7XU.

MONDAYS	TUESDAYS	WEDNESDAYS	THURSDAYS	FRIDAYS
ETAPP Play Project 09.30 – 12.00 (community room)	Health Visitor Service 10.00 – 12.00 First Time Parents Group and Baby Massage see staff for details	Oasis Stay and Play 09.30 – 11.30 Wide range of toys and activities to keep your children busy!	Enfield Childminding Group 09.30 – 11.30 featuring Under 5's story and rhyme time!	CAHMS Therapeutic Family Services 9.00am – 12 noon see staff for details
Oasis Stay and Play 10.00 – 12.00 featuring Under 5's story and rhyme time with David! Interactive toys and musical instruments	Fathers Group 1.00 – 2.00 male parents and carers welcome	Home Start Playgroup 1.30 – 3.00 see staff for details	Job Centre Plus Work Focused Interviews booking required See staff for details	Job Centre Plus Options and Choices event 13 th November 2009 see staff for details
Oasis Library Service 10.00 – 10.30 visit our very own Oasis Academy library and borrow books and resources	Oasis Stay and Play 2.00 – 4.00 featuring Under 5's story and rhyme time with Pat!	Enfield Counselling Service free confidential counselling service see staff for details	Oasis Stay and Play 2.00 – 4.00 Wide range of toys and activities to keep your children busy!	Baroness visits Oasis Children's Centre!
Many more services coming your way to include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> parenting classes managing children's behaviour 	Job Centre Plus Options and Choices event 20 th October 2009 see staff for details	Job Centre Plus Options and Choices event 18 th November 2009 see staff for details	Health Visitor Drop In Service for parents and carers 2.00 – 4.00pm	See below for full details of the Baroness' visit to our centre!
.....and more!..... <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fitness classes ESOL classes and much more!! 	Introduction to Childcare Taster Training Course January 2010 See staff for details		Speech and Language Drop In Service for parents and carers 2.00 – 4.00pm	

Excellent" children's centre welcomed cabinet member. Our very own Children's Centre was declared "excellent" by a visiting cabinet minister, the Leader of the House of Lords, Jan Royall the Baroness Royall of Blaisdon. She said: "It's an excellent centre and you can tell because you get happy kids, parents and grandparents."



PE EXTRA-CURRICULAR CLUBS



	BEFORE SCHOOL (8 – 8.30am)	LUNCHTIME Yr 7 + 8	Yr9	AFTER SCHOOL (4 – 5pm)
MONDAY	Fitness Room and Dance Mats (GCu)	Fitness Rm + Dance Mats (GCu)	Badminton (GCu)	7 and 8 Boys Football (JCo and DRe) Gymnastics (GCu)
TUESDAY	Girls Football (MSh)	Trampolining – Selected Students Only (Amanda in Sports Hall)	Fitness Room (JCo) Trampolining – All Welcome (Amanda in Sports Hall)	Netball (GCu and MSh) Yr9 Boys Football (JCo)
WEDNESDAY			Fitness Room (JCo)	Basketball with Enfield Phoenix in Sports Hall
THURSDAY		Trampolining – All Welcome (MSh)		MEETINGS
FRIDAY	Table Tennis (DRe)	Sports Hall Athletics (Julian Golding)		NETBALL FIXTURES
				STAFF SPORT



presents a

PIANO AND KEYBOARD CONCERT



An evening of piano and keyboard music
performed by talented young players
from the Borough of Enfield.

Thursday 19th November 2009 at 6.30pm

Walker Primary School

Waterfall Road, Southgate, N14 7EG

*** Refreshments will be served from 6.00pm ***

free admission by ticket only

*contact Enfield Arts Support Service before 13th November
020 8807 8881 or email info@enfieldartssupportservice.org.uk*



FOSTER FOR ENFIELD

Train to be a foster carer for Enfield Council

In Enfield we have children from a variety of backgrounds so we're looking for carers from our diverse community to meet their needs.

You don't need any specific qualifications, your commitment and positive attitude are much more important.



To find out more come along to one of our Information Sessions:

**Mon 16th Nov or Mon 23rd Nov 11.30am-2.30pm
or Tues 17th Nov or Tues 24th Nov 4.00pm-8.00pm
St Georges Church Hall, 710 Hertford Road**

Enfield EN3 6NR

Or

**Thurs 3rd Dec 4.00pm-8.00pm
Enfield Baptist Church, Cecil Road, Enfield EN2 6TG**

Call 020 8379 2831 for details

**You will need space in your home and time to care for
children and young people**

6 November 2009

Dear Parent/Carer

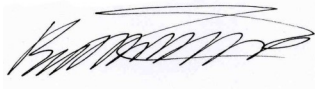
Your son/daughter completed their assessments before half term. On Tuesday 17 November we will be holding Learning Review Day for all students at the Academy.

Students will be at home for most of the day but will come to the Academy with you for a specific appointment with their Learning Guide. Each appointment will last for approx 30 minutes. During the meeting we will share information with you about your child's progress and attainment since the last Learning Review Day and give you feedback from their teachers. You will be given a summary report.

You will be given the opportunity to share your views about your child's progress and your child will make a brief presentation about their progress and Personal Learning Plan and their hopes and aspirations for the future. During the meeting the Learning Guide will work with you and your child to update the Personal Learning Plan outlining their strengths, the things they need to work on and any support that they need. Teachers will then use this information to help them to meet your child's needs.

In order for us to arrange a timetable for the Learning Review Day please return the reply slip below indicating your first and second choice of time by **Monday 9 November**. The slip should be given in at Reception. It is very important that all parents/carers and students attend Learning Review Day.

Yours sincerely



Miss B Honnor
Deputy Principal

Reply Slip Learning Review Day

Student Name: _____ **Learning Guide:** _____

Please indicate your first and second choice of time for your Learning Review Day appointment on **17 November** and we will then contact you with a specific time.

	First Choice	Second Choice
8.30 am – 10.00 am	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
10.00 am -12.00 pm	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
1.00 pm – 3.00 pm	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3.00 pm – 5.00 pm	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5.00 pm – 6.30 pm	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Please return this reply slip by Monday 9 November.