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MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

All Learning Guides will be talking to the students about their Learning Pathway choices over the next few weeks. All years, 7,8 and 9 will be making choices over some of the subjects they study next year. Parents will be sent a booklet and invited to a Learning Pathway evening. It is important you talk through the different option with your child as the final decisions will be made at Learning Review Day 3. Students should choose subjects they are good at, they enjoy and they feel they will do well in. For Year 9 students there may be some thoughts of University courses or future jobs. Please talk to us if you have any questions or queries about this process.

FORTHCOMING DATES

Trip in/out	3 March Year 7 London Zoo. Year 8 & 9 Academy based activities
Learning Review Day	Tuesday 16 March
End of Term	Wednesday 31 March
Start of Term	Monday 19th April @ 8.45am
Bank Holiday	Monday 3 May
Assessments	Thursday 6th & Friday 7th May
Learning Review Day	Tuesday 25th May
End of term	Friday 28th May
Staff Training Day	Monday 7 June
Start of Term	Tuesday 8th June @ 8.45am

MINDBENDER

The winner of last week's mindbender was Cassie Barnard 7A1 – prize at reception.

This week's puzzle:-

Make as many words four letters or more that you can from:-

Winter Olympics

OFSTED VISIT

Please complete (if you haven't already done so) the attached parental questionnaire and return to the Academy on Tuesday morning, 2 March. The form has also been translated into Turkish.



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FORTHCOMING DATE FOR YOUR DIARY— PARENT/CARER FORUM

Thursday 4th March 5.00 – 6.00 pm will be the next Parent/Carer Forum. The topic for discussion will be student behaviour and approaches to behaviour management. Please put this date in your diary now – further details to follow nearer the time.



OasisChurch - Enfield, meets each Sunday at The Oasis Academy from 11am 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.

QUIZ NIGHT—FRIDAY 19TH MARCH

On Friday 19th March 7.00-9.30(7.30 start) we will be holding a quiz night to raise money for the 'Friends of Oasis Enfield', our PTA group who are responsible for raising funds to provide additional resources for our students.

Please bring your own drinks, nibbles will be provided. We have a really experienced pair of Quiz masters. Mr Walton will be doing a raffle in the interval and they'll be great prizes for the winning team!

Ticket are £5.00 and will be on sale very soon. Fliers about ticket sales etc will be available soon.

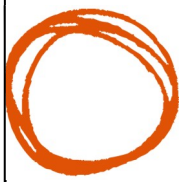
Individuals are welcome or people can arrange their own teams of up to 8 people . Adults who are not parents of students at school are welcome but there are no kids allowed!

I hope a lot of you will make a night of it and come along!

We will be asking for donations of nibbles and prizes if parents feel they can help and will collect these nearer the time. Any parents willing to help organise/ help out on the evening please email Margaret.Meadows@oasisenfield.org

Thanks and look forward to seeing you!

Beth Honor
Deputy Principal



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PE KIT REMINDER, LOST KIT AND NEW INFORMATION

Dear Parents/Carers/Students,

Just a reminder about the PE kit that you must bring to **every lesson without fail.**

The **compulsory kit** that you must have is:

Academy White Polo Shirt
Academy Blue Shorts
Academy Socks
Trainers (not plimsolls)

We are also very aware in PE of the number of students that leave their PE kit in the changing rooms after lessons. Please encourage your son/daughter to be more careful with their kit and also ensure that all items of kit (including socks) have been labelled so that if they do get left behind we can return them to their rightful owner. At present we have a lot of left kit items that have no names written in them sitting in our lost property bins.

As some of our lessons and 3E's activities are outside in the next few modules we would also strongly recommend that you purchase the Academy Tracksuit to wear over the compulsory kit to ensure that your son/daughter's learning is not hampered due to them shivering out in the unpredictable British weather. We appreciate that some of these items may be costly so have decided that if you can not afford to buy the tracksuit bottoms but want make sure that your child stays warm in PE lessons outside then you may purchase them a lower cost pair of tracksuit bottoms. **The following conditions will apply as otherwise your child will receive a kit mark:**

Tracksuit bottoms must be:

Plain navy blue

They must have no stripes on them.

They must have no logos on them (a small logo is fine if it is discrete and located around the pocket area).

We hope that this helps a little with the cost of buying and replacing kit. Should you have any questions and would like to speak to a member of the PE staff before purchasing any new items of kit then please do not hesitate to contact us here at the Academy.

Many thanks,
Miss Curtis



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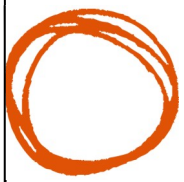
& Pathways

After School

WORKSHOP



Every Monday after school
4:00 to 5:00



Trip Programme – Wednesday 3rd March

Year 9

What: Trip in – The Right Path

Where: Academy

Purpose: The aim of the day is for students to develop an understanding of the choices they have in life and consider how the wrong choice can have effects both on themselves, their families and the wider community. Please note that during the course of the day students may be shown some images of victims of crime, if at any time your son/daughter feels that these images are too distressing they will be allowed to leave the room.

Lunch: Normal time in the academy restaurant.

Equipment: Pen, Pencil etc...

Timings: Normal School day

Clothing: School Uniform

Year 8

What: Trip in - Breathe

Where: Academy

Purpose: The purpose of the day is to provide opportunities for students to reflect on the theme of "Peace" – encouraging them to be at peace with themselves and take their place within a peaceful society.

Lunch: Normal time in academy restaurant

Equipment: Pen, Pencil etc...

Timings: Normal school day

Year 7

What: Trip Out – London Zoo

Where: London Zoo Regents Park, Camden

Purpose: The trip will look at the reasons why some animals are endangered and what steps humans can take to prevent them becoming extinct.

Lunch: Please bring a healthy packed lunch or purchase before leaving from the academy restaurant

Timings: Normal Academy day

Clothing: Normal School Uniform

Travel: Students will travel on national rail and the tube to Camden, departing at 9am and return to the academy at 4.15pm.



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Extended Schools – Module 4

Club/Activity	Day	Time	Location
Fitness room and Dance Mats	Monday	8 – 8.30am	Dance Studio
Singing Techniques	Monday	Lunch	Drama Studio
Origami	Monday	Year 7/8 Lunch	Agora
Drop in	Monday	7 – 9pm	Kettering Estate, Kettering Hall, Ordinance Rd
Badminton	Monday	Year 9 Lunch	Sports Hall
Trampolining	Monday	4 – 5 pm	Sports Hall
ICT Club	Mon, Tues, Thurs	12.40pm – 1.05pm	D5
ICT Club	Tuesday, Friday	1.25pm – 1.50pm	D5
Fitness Room and Dance Mats	Tuesday	Year 7/8/9 lunch	Dance Studio
Trampolining	Tuesday	Year 7/	Sports Hall
Badminton	Tuesday	4pm – 5pm	Hall and Astro
Girls fitness room	Tuesday	4 – 5pm	Fitness room
Boys Football	Tuesday	4 – 5pm	Astro
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
Boys Football	Wednesday	4 -5 pm year 7	Astro
Basketball with Enfield Phoenix	Wednesday	4pm – 5pm	Sports Hall
Trampolining	Thursday	Year 7/8 lunch	Sports Hall
Street Dance	Thursday	4 – 5.30pm	Island Fitness
Drop in and music studio	Friday	7 – 9pm	Youth Club Enfield Island Village
Extended Learning Club	Monday - Friday	8 – 8.45am	Library
Table Tennis	Friday	8 – 8.30 am	Sports hall
Athletics	Friday	Year 7/8 lunch	Sports Hall

Dear parent/guardian/carer

I'm delighted to tell you about a special event taking place on Tuesday 27th April. Top family speaker Rob Parsons will be coming to Oasis Academy Enfield, and presenting **Teenagers! What Every Parent Has to Know** - an evening of down-to-earth ideas, humour, and, most of all, hope - from national charity Care for the Family, which will give you useful insights into life with a teenager. Attached is a flier and a brochure with more information about the event.

At Teenagers! What Every Parent *Has* to Know you'll hear Rob explore some of the most confusing and challenging aspects of parenting teenagers, including:

- Understanding what's going on in your teenager's brain
- Why reading your child's school report can fool you
- Keys for dealing with the really testing teenager

The big issues: sex, drugs, self-esteem...

Rob has presented this evening to thousands of parents all around the UK, already. Here are some of the things they've said:

"I wish every parent could hear this information before their kids are teens!"

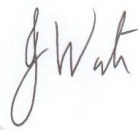
"Rob Parson's ability to tackle very serious issues with humour has made me feel more relaxed about the fact that I don't have answers to all the problems."

"It's so powerful hearing someone speak about something they've lived themselves..."

"Very encouraging and supportive and fun."

'Teenagers! What Every Parent *Has* to Know' will be held at **Oasis Academy Enfield from 7.30 until 10.00pm (doors open at 7.00pm)**. Tickets normally cost £6.00 each but we have agreed to make them available to parents of students at the Academy for just **£3.00** each. The event is open to the wider public and so we have reserved 50 tickets for our families. To book through us you must fill out the reply slip below and return it with the £3 fee to school as soon as possible and no later than 19th March. Alternatively you can book direct by calling (029) 2081 0800 or visiting www.careforthefamily.org.uk/teenagers Please quote the special code "**schools**" to obtain the discount.

With best wishes



Mr John Walton
Principal

Teenager's event: please return to reception in an envelope marked 'Teenagers event' or hand to Mrs Meadows

Name:

Name of student:

Number of tickets required:

Total amount of money included:

Dear Parent/Guardian

RE: Pathway evening – year 8 and 9

On learning review day 3 your son/daughter will need to make their pathway choices for next year. Each pupil in the academy gets the chance to customize their curriculum by adding more timetabled sessions on the subjects they enjoy most.

To help in the decision making process your son/daughter has been provided with a pathway booklet which lists all of the subjects that they can choose from and explains briefly what each is about. On top of this we will be holding a Pathway Evening on the 10th March between 5.30pm – 7.30pm. On this evening staff will be available in the Market Place to discuss the different pathways with you explaining what they involve and whether they are suitable for your son/daughter. There will also be presentations in the main assembly hall looking at the pathway choice process.

This is an important decision for your child and we look forward seeing you there. Please could you complete the slip below and return to reception so that we can plan for numbers.

Yours faithfully



Elizabeth Bailey
Assistant Principal 14-19

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Name.....

Learning Home.....

I will/will not be attending the pathway evening on the 10th March 2010.

Signed:.....

1st March 2010

Dear Parent/Carer

Your son/daughter completed their assessments in February. On Tuesday 16th March 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 addition, there will be the launch of the Learning Platform. The Learning Platform is basically an interactive website, where some areas are public, and some only accessible via a password.

The Learning Platform is going to be a key communication between school and home. Please use it to keep up to date with all the information about Oasis Academy Enfield. The Learning Platform will not replace the website and it will continue to be updated. We anticipate the Learning Platform becoming an exciting tool through which the students will share their Academy life with you and increase their ICT skills further.

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 **Wednesday 9th March**. The slip should be given in to your student's **Learning Guide**. It is very important that all parents/carers and students attend Learning Review Day.

Yours sincerely



Ms S Brown
Assistant Principal

Reply Slip Learning Review Day (to be handed to Learning Guides)

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

Please indicate your first and second choice of time for your Learning Review Day appointment on **16th March** 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 Wednesday 9th March.

25th February, 2010

RUTH MISKIN OPEN EVENING – Thursday 11th of March 2010.

Dear Parent/Carer of []

As you are aware [], is on the Ruth Miskin Fresh Start Literacy programme to help them develop their reading skills.

Your child has been on this programme for at least three modules and they are making reasonable progress. However, we would like you to support us so that your child can achieve their full potential not just in reading but in all areas of the curriculum.

As you know, good literacy skills enable students to communicate and learn in all subject areas and will benefit them throughout life. Therefore, this is a great chance for us to give students the opportunity to improve further in all areas of their learning.

In order to encourage your child with their reading and find out ways in which you can build on what your child is already doing at school, we would like to invite you to our Ruth Miskin Open Evening.

The details are as follows:

EVENT: Ruth Miskin Open Evening

TIME: 5.00pm – 6.15

DATE: 11th of March 2010

VENUE: Lecture Theatre, Oasis Academy Enfield. (*Light refreshments available*)

Please let us know if you will be attending by completing the slip below.

We look forward to seeing you there.

Thank you very much for supporting us as we support your child.

KEVIN GROARKE
(FRESH START PROGRAMME MANAGER)

BOLA MACARTHY
(SENCO)

RUTH MISKIN – OPEN EVENING REPLY SLIP

I will/will not be attending the Ruth Miskin Event on the 11th of March 2010 @5.00pm

My Child's/ward's name is _____



: Children's Centre

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

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 For families living in temporary accommodation	Introduction to Childcare Taster Training Course With Crèche service For those interested in a career in childcare	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!	Understanding Children's Behaviour and other relevant workshops by CAMHS 10.00 – 12.00 see staff for details First Time Parents Group and Baby Massage 10.30 – 12.00 Jan - April 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	Health Visitor Service First Time Parents Group and Baby Massage 10.30 – 12.00 (from April 2010) see staff for details	Home Start Playgroup 1.30 – 3.00 Providing practical and emotional support to families throughout the borough with children under the age of five. Play sessions follow the Early Year's framework.	Job Centre Plus GROUP WORK FOCUSED INTER-VIEWS 9.30 – 2.30	
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!	Bums legs and tums! 12.30 – 1.30 Rhythm and Rhyme exercise workshops for you and your child! See staff for details
Oasis Money Management Workshop 1pm: Community Room Coming soon!	Baroness visits Oasis Children's Centre! "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."		Health Visitor Drop In Service for parents and carers 2.00 – 4.30pm Speech and Language Drop In Service for parents and carers 2.00 – 4.00pm	More services coming your way soon!

7th January 2010