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### **Dear Parents and Carers**

After a busy half term, I thought it important to update you on several issues.

# **Homework**

We are continuing to refine and hopefully improve our approach to homework. We have 'turned off' the function on Go 4 Schools which tracked homework completion as this was not proving helpful. Teachers will continue to monitor homework and problems will be reported to parents by the behaviour section of Go 4 Schools.

## Parent Meetings & Report

I am aware that some parents feel our current systems need an overhaul. Ms Roberts will be arranging a series of meetings with parents to advise us on how we can improve our systems. If you are interested please email Ms Roberts directly via <a href="mailto:croberts@obhs.co.uk">croberts@obhs.co.uk</a>.

#### Academy Status

Following a successful parents meeting the application to convert to an academy and join Sapientia Trust has gone to the Head Teachers Board, where a decision will be made shortly. I will keep parents informed of any decisions.

## Staffing

As you may know Ms Burkinshaw is to leave us at the end of the Easter term, we wish her well in her new endeavours and we are very grateful for all her contributions to our school. Ms Greenacre, our new Head of English will be joining us after the Easter holidays.

## **Email**

As you may have noticed we have removed staff emails from our website. Regrettably, on a few occasions staff have received excessive and sometimes inappropriate emails, which has led me to take this decision to safeguard the well-being of our staff. If you do wish to email individual teachers please use the generic email <a href="mailto:office@oldbuckenhamhigh.norfolk.sch.uk">office@oldbuckenhamhigh.norfolk.sch.uk</a> and I will ensure these are passed on appropriately.

Finally, can I thank all parents and carers who have continued to support our school through the Friends, support with our school show and all the other activities that make our school such a great place to work and learn.

Have a restful half term

Yours sincerely

Mr A Fell Headteacher













