

Week A

Old Buckenham High School

STUDENT Bulletin

Week Beginning 14th December 2020



Christmas Holidays and Covid Test and Trace Arrangements

Students finish on Friday 18th December and return on Tuesday 5th January.

If a child has symptoms that start **up to and including Sunday 20th December** *and* receives a **positive test result** and were in school 48 hours prior to symptoms starting, we need to be notified.

If symptoms start **after Sunday 20th December** and a positive test result is received, we do **not** need to be notified.

Notifying the school:

Saturday 19th and Sunday 20th September contact the school via the headteachers email

head@obhs.co.uk

Monday 21st - Thursday 24th December call 01953 609 001 between 1000 - 1500 mon - wed and 1000 - 1300 thurs.

If a phone message is left please include the name of the school, name of child and a contact number.

Student's Belongings

Please can parents avoid bringing items to school during the school day for students as much as possible. This will help to avoid the risk of contamination of Covid.

Year 8 Virtual Progress Evening - Online Appointment Booking

The Year 8 Progress Evening is being held on Thursday 7th January 2021 between 4:30 – 7:00 pm.

The school is following Government advice closely and therefore the evening will take place online via video using the Schoolcloud system. Full details of how to book appointments and access the calls will be sent separately.

Appointment booking will open on Wednesday 30th December 2021 at 6:00pm and will close on Wednesday 6th January 2021 at 4:00pm.

Term Dates 2021 – 2022

Autumn Term

6th September – 17th December 2021

1st, 2nd & 3rd September 2021

Staff inset days, *school closed to students*

25th – 29th October 2021

Half term

20th December 2021 – 4th January 2022

Christmas holiday

Spring Term

5th January – 1st April 2022

4th January 2022

Staff inset day, *school closed to students*

14th – 18th February 2022

Half term

Summer Term

20th April – 22nd July 2022

May 2nd 2022

Bank Holiday, *school closed*

30th May – 3rd June 2022

Half term

Christmas Jumper Day Friday 18th December

Students will be encouraged to wear a Christmas jumper and if they choose to, donate to our 2 charities Save the Children and Friends of OBHS.

Christmas card delivery will be on Friday and we will not be accepting any Christmas cards beyond Monday 14th December.

Adverse Weather Arrangements

In the event of a significant weather event we will keep parents informed of any school closures by text and via the school's website which we will update on a daily basis. Can parents ensure we have up to date contact details in order for the school to be able to contact during the school day.

Star of the Week

Y7 -Amy W – for successfully confronting her fears during recent vaccinations

Y8 – Alfie S - Trying really hard and with excellent contributions in English

Y9 - Sophie C - Grade 9 in her mock exam for GCSE French. A superb performance for a Y9

Y10 - Lillia S - for showing resilience this week.

Y11 - Tamzin E - for a positive week in school and receiving several positive points.

Lost Property

Black scarf

Attendance

Whole School

Weekly 93.75%

Cumulative 94.39%

Attendance % at end of school year:	Number of days absent that school year:	Number of lessons missed:	Number of missed learning hours:
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99%	2 days	6 lessons	10 hours
98%	4 days	12 lessons	20 hours
96%	7.5 days	22.5 lessons	37.5 hours
95%	9.5 days	28.5 lessons	47.5 hours
90%	19 days	57 lessons	95 hours

- A pupil with an attendance of **95% at the end of the school year** will have **missed 2 weeks of school**.
- A pupil with an attendance of **90% at the end of the school year** will have **missed 4 weeks of school**.
- A pupil **tracking at 90% attendance** means that they are **missing one half day of lessons every week**.
- If a pupil has a **90% attendance rate from Year 7 through to Year 11** they will have **missed one half of a school year in that time**.
- **National statistics show that pupils who attend school regularly are more likely to achieve good results.**

West Suffolk College – SEND Provision

The links below are for information regarding the SEND provision support and transition opportunities at West Suffolk College in the form of some useful digital resources for you to explore in your families:

West Suffolk College 21/22 Prospectus:

<https://cdn.flipsnack.com/widget/v2/flipsnackwidget.html?hash=vtjqpijrzp&t=&fullscreen=1>

There are also some useful PowerPoint videos, presented by key college staff, which focus on Student Support Services (including SEND Support and Learning Support) at West Suffolk College available on the webpage below:

<https://www.wsc.ac.uk/find-a-course/virtual-open-event/courses-suitable-for-16-to-18-year-olds/student-support/support-services>

Furthermore, the updated SEND Pathways booklet is available on the link below:

<https://www.flipsnack.com/westsuffolk/send-booklet-new-updated-15-10-2020.html>

This booklet includes:

- WSC Local Offer at a glance.
- An overview of each of our SEND Pathways.
- Details of tailored transition opportunities
- Contact details for the SEND Team

Be the best we can be

