## **Ormiston Bolingbroke Academy**

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Dear Parent/Carer

As we approach half term I wanted to update you on what has been happening this term and provide you with some key dates for next half term.

At the end of the last academic year the academy was once again awarded Flagship status for Inclusion, a real achievement and one that very few schools in the country hold. Congratulations to the Inclusion team and the students for their ongoing efforts.

At the start of this term the academy achieved the careers award, reflecting our commitment to providing relevant and impartial advice to all of our students. Well done to Mr Oakes and the team.

I was delighted to appoint Zac Kirsners and Isabella Cuthbert to the position of head students. They performed incredibly well on interview and will play a key role in working with all of our students to represent their ideas.

Next half term there are some key dates for your diary:

- Year 11 and 13 mock exams commence on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> November
- Friday 24<sup>th</sup> November and Monday 27<sup>th</sup> November are Inset days and the school will be closed to students
- Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> November is Year 7 progress evening and this will be face to face rather than online
- Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December is Year 11 progress evening and this will be face to face rather than online

The academy will close to students on Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> October and re-open on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> November. There are revision opportunities for Year 11 and 13 students during the half term. Schedules have been issued detailing the sessions available.

The uniform swap shop will be open during half term, Monday to Wednesday; please pop in if you require any items or you have some to donate. We also have a number of other items available including coats, dressing gowns and blankets. The academy will also provide sanitary products to those who require them.

In our continuing drive to raise standards there will be some changes to our isolation system starting after half term. All students who are in isolation will finish their day at 3.15pm. If a student has failed one period then they will remain until 3.30pm. If a student fails more than one period, they will remain until 3.45pm. You will be contacted if this applies to your child and will only apply to a very small number of students whose behaviour requires a period of Isolation to enable others to continue to learn. We would encourage all students to ensure that their behaviour does not result in this sanction. If you have any questions about this, please contact Mrs Hammond AP Behaviour.

Finally, I would like to thank you for your continued support and I hope that you have a restful half term when it arrives.

Yours sincerely

Kathryn Evans Principal









