



Friday 6th November 2020

Dear Parents & Carers of Year 10 students

I am writing to inform you that as from Monday 9th November Year 10 students will be learning from home for one week. This is due to the NHS Track and Trace system which has directed a number of staff to self-isolate. This has created a shortage of teachers at the academy. Your child's learning will not be affected as staff will be delivering lessons remotely using MS Teams. All students who require a laptop for remote working has been provided with a device.

Your child will follow the timetable attached. Students should open their calendar on MS Teams (logging in with their school email and password) and join the live lesson. All students have received instructions on how to access this remotely. There is information on the school website if they require further support: <https://www.oasisacademyisleofsheppey.org/curriculum/online-learning>

Students that do not log-in to complete the live lessons will be marked as absent, and our attendance team will contact you as the parent as per our usual absence procedures.

All families who are entitled to Free School Meals will have this provision. These can be collected from the academy on Monday 9th November in the form of a food hamper between 9am – 11am. If there are difficulties in collection please contact us via email to office@oasisisleofsheppey.org, or telephone the academy on 01795 873591.

We understand that this time may be challenging for some students so please encourage them to access the school website for Exercise and Wellbeing support as well as help with MS Teams <https://www.oasisacademyisleofsheppey.org/curriculum/online-learning>.

Please note that we are only asking your child to learn from home because we do not currently have enough teaching staff. They are not being asked to self-isolate. Teachers absent from the Academy are due to receiving instruction from the NHS Track and Trace to self-isolate, and not due to testing positive for Covid, so please do not be alarmed.

The school remains open to students in other year groups and they can continue to attend school as normal.

I know asking Year 10 to learn from home may significantly inconvenience you; please rest assured that we are making this decision to minimise the risk to both staff and students.

Year 10 students will continue learning from home until Friday 13th November. They will return to school on Monday 16th November.

If you have any questions or queries, please send these via your MCAS app, or email office@oasisisleofsheppey.org.

Warm regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Tina Lee'.

Tina Lee
Principal

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