

6th April 2022

Dear Parent/Carer

Easter Arrangements 2022

Thank you for your support this term as ever. So much has been achieved and we are continuing to move forward at pace.

We say “goodbye” to some colleagues this term and “hello” to some new ones following the Easter break. It is sometimes hard for children to deal with staff leaving but change is an important part of their growth into adulthood.

The Easter break will be a time for us all to reflect, rejuvenate and spend time together now restrictions have been lifted. We must all continue to remain vigilant and to keep ourselves and families as safe as we can. The weather seems to be improving somewhat, and the ability to go out and get some fresh air is much needed!

INSET

Just a quick reminder that Monday 25th April 2022 is an inset day for the academy so the children will return on Tuesday 26th April 2022.

Easter Revision

All year 11 students have been given the Easter revision timetable and parents/carers can find this on our website under - <https://www.oiea.co.uk/for-students/exam-preparation>.

It is so important for all year 11's to use the Easter break wisely, making a revision timetable and taking advantage of staff giving personalised and guided revision in school where they can. Please continue to encourage them to come into these sessions and to revise for their exams at home.

Mobile phones

Please also remember that our new mobile phone policy begins on the first day back to school following the Easter break. There will be no phones allowed out, in **any** area of the academy. Thank you in advance for your support with this.

Our community

Following on from information passed to us by community groups and our local police force, we encourage you to remind children about how to behave appropriately in the community, we have supported you by making this clear in school. Following lock downs, police have reported a rise in anti-social behaviour around Ilkeston and surrounding areas and are taking steps to clamp down on this. If you have any concerns, please let us know.

A legend leaves us!

It is with great regret that I confirm that Ms Stubbs leaves the academy after working here for 18 years. She has led safeguarding, attendance and behaviour with professionalism and skill, and we know that you would want to wish her all the best for her future.

Students and staff are upset at her leaving, but as she leaves us to start a new chapter, we want her to know that we cannot thank her enough for all that she has done for children and families over the years and wish her all the very best. We will miss her greatly but assure you that these areas are now in Mr Glover's (our new VP) very capable hands.

Have a safe and happy Easter break.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Miss Salt". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Miss Salt
Principal