

19 October 2021

Dear Parents/Carers, I hope you are well.

Forced Partial Closure - Year 9 on the 20th and 21st October

Unfortunately, we have a significant number of staff absences. As a result, I have made the decision to **close the school for all of Year 9 students on Wednesday 20th and Thursday 21st October** as we cannot staff their lessons and keep students safe. Finding staff from agencies is also incredibly difficult and often we cannot get supply teachers in.

We are closed on Friday 22nd October for a planned INSET day.

Home Learning

We have previously communicated with you last year to explain what the process will be for setting work for students during the enforced closure. Therefore, whilst at home, Google Classroom is the means by which teachers will set work for their classes. In order for parents/carers to support their children at home, we have created a Home Learning webpage (**homelearning.outwood.com**) which provides you with guidance on how to access Google Classroom with your child.

Lessons will be available for all core subjects and the timings of each lesson will follow approximately the school day. For each lesson there will be work and resources uploaded to Google Classroom. The independent work which they will then complete at home should then be submitted to their usual teacher via Google Classroom. If your child is unable to log into Google Classroom (for example, if they have forgotten their password) please contact enquiries@freeton.outwood.com If your child is unable to access work from home, please contact us in the email above to arrange for support from the academy.

Please find below the live lesson timetable for Year 9 which you may want your child to follow, all live lessons will take place in the Year 9 year group Google Classroom.

Year 9 Live Lesson

Wednesday 20th and Thursday 21st October 2021

All lessons run through Year 9 Google Classroom

*Log into your Year 9 'Year Group' Google Classroom
You should be ready to login 5 mins before your live lesson starts
Your usual teacher should be available through stream and
private comments for help, support and feedback, where possible.*

Day	Tutor 8:30am	Period 1 Start Time: 9:00am	Period 2 Start Time: 10:00am	Period 3 Start Time: 11:15am	Period 4 Start Time: 12:45pm	Period 5 Start Time: 1:45pm
Wednesday 20.10.21	AGR	Maths ATI	English SBA	Life ECO	Science SAL	History CAS
Thursday 21.10.21	AGR	Spanish NSI	Geography SEM	Maths MGA	Science ZLE	English EHA

Further work is also available to all students via:

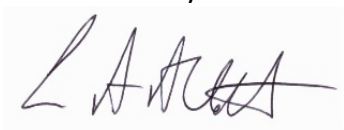
- Hegarty Maths
- Oak National Academy
- BBC Bitesize • <https://science.outwood.com/>
- <https://sites.google.com/outwood.com/maths/home>

For students in receipt of free school meals, they will be offered 2 packed lunches to take home with them today (for their lunch on Wednesday and Thursday).

We appreciate that this change is short notice and may inconvenience you but it is essential that we safeguard our students, staff and wider school community. If you are defined as a Critical Key Worker or your child is identified as vulnerable as per the government guidance and require provision for your child, **please email us stating that your child requires provision** and send your child to the SID entrance in the morning at their usual school start time.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to get in touch. In the meantime, we look forward to seeing your child on the remote learning platform on Wednesday 20th and Thursday 21st October and then back in school from Monday 1st November.

Yours faithfully



Lisa Allott
Principal