



8<sup>th</sup> September 2020

Dear Parents/Carers,

It has been a pleasure to welcome all of our new Year 7 students to Oasis Academy Brislington this week. This marks the beginning of a journey for each student, both academically and personally. At Oasis Academy Brislington our dedicated teachers and support staff provide the support and guidance needed to help students every step of the way.

We know how vital education is to a young person's life chances. It affords them the opportunities for their future, to follow their dreams and succeed in life. Our vision as an academy is to provide our students with 'the confidence, knowledge and skills to stand first amongst equals', preparing each student for the future, be that further academic study, apprenticeships or vocational courses.

Speaking to the Year 7 tutor team and teachers about how Year 7 have settled in school over the first few days I have received lots of positive feedback about our new cohort. The students' positivity and enthusiasm for learning is inspiring. For some students this is the first time they have been back into school since March and everyone has been impressed with how quickly they have settled in. We have high expectations for behaviour from our students to create an environment conducive to learning and so far, students are meeting them. It is especially important this year as new school rules have been put in place to keep everyone safe and reduce the risk from Coronavirus.

There are many challenges facing students this year such as settling into a new school, meeting new peers and the academic work students face. To support students during their time with us we have a dedicated tutor team and fantastic pastoral team of 360s who will be supporting students in all aspects of their school day. By working together, I am confident that we can secure the best outcomes for all of our new students this year and I know our staff are looking forward to sharing and celebrating in each and every success.

Kind Regards,

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