



OADR Update

Friday 06 September 2024

It has been wonderful to welcome both our new Year 7 students and our returning Year 8s to OADR this week! It has been really exciting to show off our extended and much improved school building – I think it has been quite a shock for those who recall what it was like before! We are already seeing the benefits of the availability of specialist facilities as well as our more specialist staff in certain subjects. Inevitably, there have been one or two ‘teething’ issues to sort out around movement around site, lunchtime queues etc...but these will easily be rectified over the coming days. Thank you for your patience and rest assured these minor matters will be addressed. This week’s update is essentially some key reminders/operational matters.

Drop-off/pick-up from OADR

Being on duty each morning, the impact of us doubling in student numbers has been very evident in the traffic. Unfortunately, I have already witnessed some conflict between drivers because of the increased volume of cars on Walsh Avenue. We have enjoyed a really positive relationship with local residents, and we are keen to maintain this. Can I please urge parents/carers to avoid parking right outside the school, especially opposite junctions. There is plenty of space along Walsh Avenue and other nearby roads where you can park/stop considerately with very minimal impact on walking distances. Please support the school by thinking carefully about where you drop-off/pick up and of course, where possible, we encourage the use of public transport, cycling or walking to school.

Mr Shaw

Drinks/Snacks

A reminder that fizzy/energy drinks are not permitted. Students should bring a refillable water bottle (water should be available by Monday and if not, bottled water will be provided). Please discourage your children from bringing in large quantities of sweets etc...as they are not supportive of focus in lessons – or a healthy lifestyle!

Ms Binns

Uniform

A reminder of our uniform expectations. The full details of our uniform policy can be found here [Uniform - Oasis Academy Daventry Road](#). **A particular note that skirts are not currently part of our uniform.** We constantly review our uniform policy and think carefully about making it sensible and accessible. We would appreciate your support in upholding it. This week and next we will be giving quite gentle reminders/clarifying expectations but beyond this we will be taking a firmer approach including providing any missing items on loan with an expectation that students accept these. (Generally, uniform has been really good, but we want to iron out issues so that we keep standards high!)

Ms Binns



Attendance/Absence

We have been really pleased with attendance over the first couple of days of school. Improving attendance is a key focus for us and indeed many schools this year. Please see the following NHS guidance on the rare situations on which you should keep your child off school <https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/>

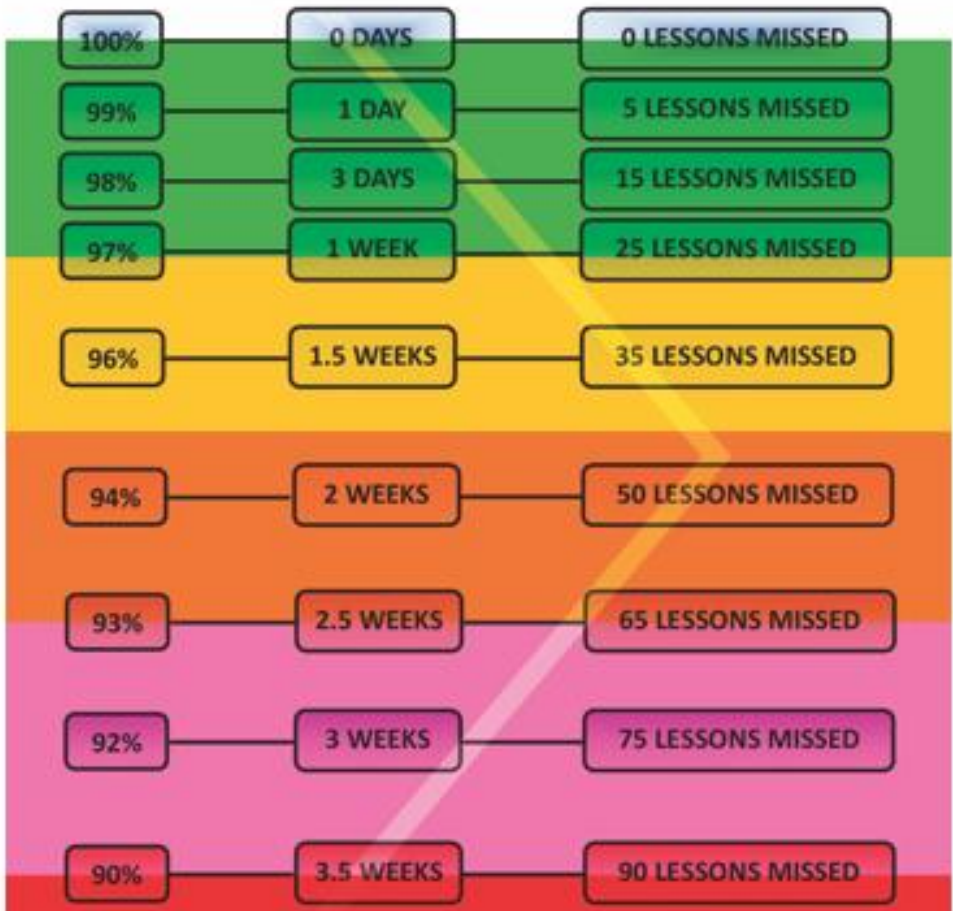
Attendance Diamond



Attendance Groups	
Green	No risk
Yellow	Risk of underachievement
Amber	Serious risk of underachievement
Pink	Severe risk of underachievement
Red	Extreme risk - Court action



Attendance Matters



**MAXIMISE YOUR POTENTIAL.
ATTEND SCHOOL EVERY DAY.**