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For Parents and students starting in September 2016

Welcome to Oathall. Please find below some useful information for your first week at Oathall.

First Day – Tuesday 6 September:

- 08:35 - Students should meet in the hall, sitting in their tutor groups as they did on induction day where they will be told the arrangements for the day.
- During the morning session students will be taken in groups to have their biometric finger print scans completed for their individual canteen accounts. It takes a day to set up and register canteen accounts.
- Because it takes a day to set up canteen accounts we provide new students with a **free** set menu lunch on their first day. You may wish to provide some additional snacks and drinks to have at morning break.
- The school day finishes at 15:10pm

Second Day - Wednesday 7 September:

- 08:35 - Students should go straight to their tutor rooms for registration.

ParentPay - Paying for school meals, trips and other items

- You should have been sent your log in details for using ParentPay in the week commencing 22 August. ParentPay is our online e-payment scheme. This is our preferred payment method for school meals, trips and other school related items.
- If you prefer to use a **Paypoint card** then please let us know and we will be happy to arrange that for you.
- **Please make sure you activate your Parentpay account as soon as possible even if you do not intend to use it straightaway. The log-in details are only valid for a month.**

A few other things you need to know for the first week:

- Students will be provided with their timetable on the first day.
- Students will not need to bring in PE kit for their first PE lesson.
- In the first DT lesson students will be allocated to their initial DT subject area and they will not need to bring in any materials for this lesson.
- Students will be given details of how to apply for a locker if they want to use one. You will need to pay a deposit of £5 which is refundable when your child stops using the locker. You *do not* need to buy a padlock.
- Please check the website for term dates, useful information and news about Oathall.

We look forward to seeing you at the start of the term.

Yours sincerely

Mr Mark Willer
Assistant Headteacher

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