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Questions I want to ask on my next visit:

Ofsted
Outstanding

Welcome to The Oaks School



Uniform

Black Sweatshirt.
White Polo Shirt
Black Skirt / Trousers
Black Shoes

***PLEASE ENSURE ALL CLOTHING IS
CLEARLY NAMED***

Equipment

P.E Kit - blue polo shirt, black shorts or tracksuit bottoms and indoor trainers.

Classroom equipment - pen, pencil, rubber, ruler and coloured pencils.

School will provide any other items you will need.

You have to carry things from class to class, so you need a bag to keep your things in.
You will be escorted between classes.

Extra Activities.

Lunch Clubs.

After School Clubs.

Trips out as part of your lessons e.g. to Durham Cathedral or Sports Centres.

Friday Afternoon Enrichment.

There are trips out at the end of most half terms to reward good work and behaviour e.g. Bowling or the Cinema.

Our Advice.

- Don't be scared to ask questions about where to go or what to do.
- Try to be organised and bring everything you need.
- Try hard and have fun!
- Enjoy your new school.

School Rules

- Walk everywhere...keep to the left.
- Don't wear jewellery or bring valuables such as mobile phones, they may be lost or stolen.
- Only eat at break and lunch times. No chewing gum at any time.
- Treat others with respect both physically and verbally.
- Treat all property with respect.
- Create a clean, tidy environment.
- Come to school to learn.

Rewards & Consequences.

There are rewards for good work, behaviour and sticking to the rules.

There are consequences for breaking the rules. You are awarded "Acorns" for good behaviour, attendance and wearing your uniform. These are counted at the end of half term and rewarded with trips out. "Golden Acorns" are awarded for special work or behaviour and can be exchanged for prizes.

Buddies

The Oaks Secondary School has a "Buddy" system to help support all pupils. Buddies are elected from each year by the other pupils. Buddies are someone to talk to and to get advice from.

You will be given a Buddy of your own to help you settle in during the first term.

Bullying.

The Oaks Secondary School has a zero tolerance approach to bullying but bullying does sometimes happen. If you are bullied or need any help you can tell your Form Tutor, or any of the Senior members of staff. The Anti Bullying Co-ordinator is Mr. David Frew.

The School Day.

You will go to different rooms for different lessons.

School Opens:	8.55
Registration:	9.05
Lesson 1	9.15
Lesson 2	10.05
Break time:	10.55
Lesson 3:	11.15
Lunchtime:	12.00
Registration /	
Reading	12.25
Lesson 4:	13.05
Breaktime:	13.35
Lesson 5:	13.55
Lesson 6:	14.35
Home time:	15.15

You will be given a timetable.

Lunch

Lunchtime is at 12pm and you will go back to your form class after eating. The school operates a self-service cafeteria system for lunches in the Hall. There is a choice of several meals both hot and cold, sandwiches and puddings. Water is provided for all pupils.

Break times

There are two break times, one in the morning and one in the afternoon. There are two play-grounds. One is a quiet area and the other is where pupils can play noisier games. In the dry weather you can go onto the playing field.

Homework

Your teachers may give you some homework to do each week. You will be expected to do it and return it on time. There may be online Lexia, Manga High or Education City homework too.