



WORK FOR ABSENCE FROM SCHOOL – SUSPENSION GUIDE POLICY 2026- 2027

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Introduction:

At Wrotham School, we are committed to providing continuous education and support to all our students, even in circumstances where they are unable to attend school due to suspension or long-term absence. To ensure that students can continue their learning during these periods, we have established Oak Academy as a directed provision platform.

Purpose:

The purpose of this policy is to outline the procedures and expectations for students to engage with Oak Academy's directed provision program during suspension or long-term absence from Wrotham School. This policy aims to maintain continuity in education, support students' academic progress, and facilitate their successful reintegration into school upon their return.

Scope:

This policy applies to all students enrolled at Wrotham School who are suspended or on long-term absence and are required to engage with directed provision through Oak Academy.

Policy:

1. Identification of Oak Academy as Directed Provision:

Oak Academy is identified as the directed provision platform for students at Wrotham School to complete their educational activities during suspension or long-term absence.

This can be found here:

<https://www.thenational.academy/>

2. Access and Enrollment:

The school will provide students with access to Oak Academy's online learning platform and assist them in enrolling in relevant courses or subjects aligned with their academic curriculum. (See guide Appendix A)

3. Expectations for Student Engagement:

Students are expected to engage with directed provision activities on Oak Academy daily, following their regular school timetable, for the duration of their suspension or absence.

Students must complete assigned lessons, assignments, and assessments within the specified timelines set by their teachers or school administrators. Attendance and progress on Oak Academy will be monitored by designated school staff to ensure compliance with directed provision requirements.

4. Support and Monitoring:

Teachers and support staff will provide guidance and assistance to students as they navigate Oak Academy's platform and complete their assigned tasks. (see Appendix).

Regular check-ins and communication between students and designated school staff will be established to monitor progress, address any challenges, and provide academic support as needed.

5. Integration with School Curriculum:

Oak Academy's directed provision activities will align with the school's curriculum, ensuring continuity in learning and progression of academic skills and knowledge.

Our Curriculum maps for all subjects and year groups can be found here:

<https://www.wrothamschool.com/information/our-curriculum/>

6. Reintegration and Assessment:

Upon the student's return to school after suspension or long-term absence, teachers will review their progress on Oak Academy and review their completion of directed provision tasks.

Students may be required to undergo assessments or evaluations to gauge their understanding of the material covered during their time on Oak Academy and to facilitate their transition back into regular classroom instruction.

Review and Revision:

This Oak Academy Directed Provision Policy will be reviewed annually by the school administration to ensure its effectiveness and relevance. Any necessary revisions or updates will be made in consultation with relevant stakeholders, including staff, students, and parents/guardians.

Approval:

This policy is approved by the Headteacher and will be effective from 1st September 2026.

APPENDIX A

Guide to Using Oak National Academy

Introduction:

Oak National Academy is an online learning platform designed to support students' education across various subjects and grade levels. This guide aims to provide students, parents, and educators with an overview of how to effectively utilize Oak National Academy for remote learning or supplementary education.

Oak National Academy offers a comprehensive online learning experience, featuring video lessons, interactive activities, and downloadable resources across various subjects and grade levels. By leveraging the platform's resources effectively, students, parents, and educators can support remote learning, reinforce classroom instruction, and facilitate academic progress.

Getting Started:

1. Accessing Oak National Academy:

Visit the Oak National Academy website at www.thenational.academy.

Navigate to the "Subjects" tab to explore the available subjects and topics.

2. Selecting a Subject and Topic:

Choose the subject area you wish to explore (e.g., Mathematics, English, Science).

Browse through the available topics within the selected subject area to find the content that aligns with your learning needs.

Using the Learning Resources:

1. Video Lessons:

Oak National Academy offers pre-recorded video lessons delivered by experienced teachers.

Watch the video lessons to receive instruction and explanations on various topics.

Pause, rewind, or replay the videos as needed to grasp difficult concepts.

2. Interactive Activities:

Engage with interactive activities and quizzes provided alongside the video lessons.

Complete the activities to reinforce your understanding of the material and assess your learning progress.

3. Downloadable Resources:

Access downloadable resources such as worksheets, handouts, and lesson summaries to complement the video lessons.

Utilize these resources for additional practice and review outside of the online platform.

Navigating the Platform:

1. Search Functionality:

Use the search bar to quickly find specific topics or keywords related to your learning objectives.

Refine your search results by applying filters based on subject, grade level, or topic.

2. Grade Levels and Progression:

Oak National Academy provides content for students across different grade levels, from primary to secondary education.

Progress through the content at your own pace, following the recommended sequence of lessons for your grade level.

Additional Features:

1. Parental Support:

Parents can monitor their child's progress on Oak National Academy by creating a parent account.

Receive updates on completed activities, assessment scores, and overall engagement with the platform.

2. Teacher Support:

Educators can incorporate Oak National Academy resources into their lesson plans and classroom instruction.

Access teacher guides and supplementary materials to enhance teaching and learning experiences.

Note: For the most up-to-date information and resources, please visit the Oak National Academy website at www.thenational.academy.

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