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Open letter to the Oakbank School community

I am writing with an update regarding next steps for Oakbank, following Ofsted's decision to place the school in special measures after its inspection last November.

We have for some weeks now been reflecting on how the school can best be supported going forward. Even before receiving the draft of the Ofsted report in December, we knew significant change was needed and reached out to the Department for Education to ask for their support with bringing about this change.

These discussions are ongoing, and we do not yet know how they will conclude. However, as mentioned in a letter to Year 11 parents and carers yesterday, Anthem leaders will organise a meeting for all parents and carers when we have definitive news to share about the future direction of the school and the Trust.

I would like to take this opportunity to assure all members of the school and wider community that Oakbank and Anthem staff are doing all they can to minimise disruption to the students' education as we navigate this difficult period.

We will, of course, update the school community about further developments as they arise.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Mohsen Ojja', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Mohsen Ojja
CEO, Anthem Schools Trust