

School Newsletter | 21st July 2023

Happy Summer!

Welcome to our final newsletter of this term. There are so many amazing achievements that has happened throughout the summer term. To name a few, we have had our annual summer awards ceremony which was a brilliant celebration of all of our students' hard work this school year. Not only that, but over the past couple of days students have been taking part in enrichment week, which has involved both onsite and offsite activities including a trip to Drayton Manor and a wide variety of workshops in school. Its been lovely to see our students participating in these activities and trying out new things that they may not have done before. We hope that our students and their families have a restful summer, and we will see everyone in September.

Good News

CAAT Exhibition

Last week, the art and technology department held an exhibition showcasing the amazing creations of our Year 11's who did Textiles, Photography, Fine art, and 3D Art at GSCE. For their exam, students were given several themes to choose from including isolation, agriculture, news, and journey. For each theme, the students were able to choose which route they wanted to take their work as long as it was relevant. To create their final pieces, students had to use a wide range of techniques which they have practiced during their course, with some involving weaving, digital manipulation, clay work and learning to use the machinery in our workshop. There was such a great variety of work, and it was a perfect celebration of the students' masterpieces.



Attendance

1st	Year 9
2nd	Year 7
3rd	Year 8
4th	Year 10

High attendance is vital to ensure that students reach their maximum potential while at school. Having a couple of days off here and there may not seem like it will have much of an impact, but by having just 6-10 days off a year, it can drop the chances of achieving those higher grades by 10%. This equates to over 50 hours of learning lost per year. Congratulations to Year 9 who achieved the highest attendance last week!

Notices

Staff Leavers

It has come to that time of the year when we say goodbye to some of our staff that are leaving us for new adventures. Also leaving this year, is Miss Blount, our head of year 9, who is leaving after many years at the school. She says she has had a wonderful time here over the years and has loved getting to know all the staff and students who have come and gone in her time, but not only that, getting to know the amazing community that surrounds and supports OSCA too. We wish all of our staff leavers the very best and good luck for the future.

Uniform Expectations

We want to make a positive start to the new academic year in September. We need all students to be equipped and ready to learn in correct uniform. Students will need a school bag and pencil case with the essentials, such as black/blue pens, pencils, ruler, rubber, all of which is outlined on our website. Students require school trousers or knee length skirts, black shoes, white shirts, ties (upper and lower school ties) & an OSCA blazer, please click link for more details [Ormiston sandwell community academy - Gogna Schoolwear and Sports](#)

Social Media

Don't forget to follow us on social media, where you can find any news on school activities as well as updates about recent events.



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Ormiston Sandwell Community Academy

STAY SAFE ONLINE THIS SUMMER

THINK
BEFORE
YOU
POST

SHARE FEEL-GOOD
CONTENT & LEAVE
POSITIVE COMMENTS

NEWS
DOUBLE CHECK
STORIES –
DON'T FALL FOR
FAKE NEWS!

MAKE THE
MOST OF THE
OUTDOORS

USE CAUTION
ON PUBLIC
WIFI

Stay off devices just before bed

Report bullies &
ignore trolls

ENABLE PRIVACY
SETTINGS

KEEP YOUR
PERSONAL
DETAILS
PRIVATE

AVOID BINGE
STREAMING AND
ALL-DAY GAMING

TAKE
FREQUENT
BREAKS

ENJOY
SCREEN-FREE
ACTIVITIES

BE CAREFUL
WITH IN-APP
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