

ELECTRONIC PARENT BULLETIN

8th September 2023

A WELCOME FROM THE NEW PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents/Carers

It was my great pleasure to welcome all the students back to OSA on Wednesday. They in turn have welcomed me, showing themselves to be positive, well-mannered and friendly students. I am looking forward to getting to know them as individuals and having opportunities to meet parents and carers over time.

In my assemblies on Wednesday, I reminded students of the simple 'formula' for success in school: 100% attendance, showing respect and care for all other members of the Academy community, working hard in lessons and reading in their own time. I explained to them that I was ambitious for their success and asked them to be equally ambitious and aspirational.

We have had a very positive start to the new term. Thank you for your contribution to this.

Regards,

Mrs. S. Morris
Principal

AIR CADETS' RECRUITMENT STAND

Representatives coming into the Academy on Monday 11th September

At lunchtime on Monday (11th September), representatives from the Sudbury Air Cadets unit will be coming into the Academy and setting up an 'Information Stand' in our 'Piazza' area for any interested year 8-11 students to be able to find out more about the local group and the organisation, as a whole. It is completely optional for students to speak with the visitors and the visit will, of course, be 'overseen' and supervised by members of OSA staff; if your child may be interested in finding out more, or joining, the Air Cadets, please encourage them to stop by the Piazza at lunchtime on Monday!

FORTHCOMING YEAR 11 POST-16 EDUCATION ASSEMBLIES

Visiting speakers from local 16+ education establishments

As always, OSA will be welcoming visitors from the local colleges and sixth form provision, to provide information and guidance on opportunities and options available to our year 11 students in preparation for making applications for their post-16 education, after their final exams, next summer. Applications for places at college or sixth form need to be undertaken in the autumn term and we encourage all year 11 students to find out as much as possible about the requirements for any courses they may wish to pursue as they progress along their educational path towards further and higher education and, ultimately, their chosen career. These presentations will take place for the whole of year 11, as part of their regular Monday morning year group 'assembly' slots, as follows:

- 18th Sept – representative from Colchester Sixth Form College
- 25th Sept – representative from West Suffolk College (Bury St. Edmunds)
- 2nd October – representative from Colchester Institute
- 9th October – representative Abbeygate Sixth Form
- 16th October – representative Suffolk One, Ipswich
- 6th November – representative Suffolk New College, Ipswich
- 13th November – representative Thomas Gainsborough School, Gt. Cornard

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES WHICH MAY BE OF INTEREST

We have a number of non-teaching vacancies being advertised

We currently have opportunities available for: a Site Assistant, a Cleaner, a Pastoral Manager, a Supervised Study Coordinator and P.A. to the Principal. Further details may be found on our website [here](https://bit.ly/3PhAHIC) (<https://bit.ly/3PhAHIC>); all applications are through our sponsor, Ormiston Academies Trust, and you will find full details of all OAT vacancies (including those at OSA), and how to apply, [here](#)

REMINDER OF THE NEW TIMINGS OF THE ACADEMY DAY

The Academy day now begins at 8.40am (still ending at 3.10pm)

The day is divided, for students, as follows:

Registration:	8.40 – 9.00am
Lesson 1:	9.00– 10am
Lesson 2:	10.05 – 11.05am
MORNING BREAK:	11.05 – 11.25am
Lesson 3:	11.25am – 12.25pm
Lesson 4	12.30 – 1.30pm
LUNCHTIME:	1.30 – 2.10pm
Lesson 5:	2.10 – 3.10pm
END OF THE DAY	3.10pm
After-school Clubs	Until 4.15 / 4.30pm

AND FINALLY: REMINDER OF TERM DATES AND TRAINING DAYS

These are also published on our website

Autumn Term – *Begins Monday 4th September 2023; ends Wednesday 20th December 2023

Staff Training Day (no OSA students in attendance): *Monday 4th and Tuesday 5th September 2023, and Friday 24th November 2023

HALF TERM HOLIDAY: wb Monday 23rd October 2023

Spring Term – **Begins Wednesday 3rd January 2024; ends Thursday 28th March 2024
Staff Training Day (no OSA students in attendance): **Wednesday 3rd January 2024
HALF TERM HOLIDAY: wb Monday 19th February 2024

Summer Term – Begins ***Friday 12th April 2024; ends Friday 19th July 2024
Staff Training Day (no OSA students in attendance): * Friday 12th April 2024**
HALF TERM HOLIDAY: wb Monday 27th May 2024

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