

ELECTRONIC PARENT BULLETIN

29th February 2024

NOTICES

MEET THE ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

Mr Stokes will be giving a presentation on 'Behaviours and Attitudes' on **Tuesday 19th March** from 5.00pm to 6.00pm. This will be followed by the opportunity for informal questions or discussions. An invitation to attend has been sent to parents/carers via email earlier this week.

NEWS, EVENTS AND TRIPS – FEBRUARY/MARCH

NEWS

- **Year 11 Charity Week – week commencing 25th March.** Year 11 students have chosen to raise money for Cancer research. Further details to follow.

STUDENT REWARDS

- **'Performer of the week' award.**
1 student is selected each week by a Head of Faculty, here are some of the reasons given: 'Excellent effort and progress, 'has gone above or beyond', 'made great improvements', 'Fantastic work', 'continual dedication'.
Students are given a certificate by a member of the Leadership Team and receive a token that they can either 'cash in' for a reward or save to put towards a bigger reward.
- **Spring Term Awards.**
Spring term awards will be given to students during their 'Celebration Assemblies' at the end of term: Easter Egg Award – chosen by teachers for students that have progressed well this term.
Tutor Award – chosen by each class tutor for their 'Tutee of the term'.
Plus there are certificates given for the 'Head of Year' Award, 'Senior Leadership' Award and 'Pastoral Manager' Award.

COMPETITIONS

There is an exciting opportunity for students aged 4-19 to exhibit their artwork online and at the Royal Academy of Arts! The deadline to submit artwork is 27th March 2024. If interested, students are encouraged to speak to their Art teacher.

EVENTS

- **The Mercians will perform** to years 7, 8, 9 and 10 and will then give a talk on their experiences growing up with mental health, school stresses, the importance of inclusion and much more. This will then be followed by an opportunity to ask questions. This performance is to deliver part of the PSHE programme for students and will take place on Friday 1st March.

- **Shrek Tickets** (March) – we have now sold out of tickets for the Friday 15th, and almost sold out for Wednesday 13th and Thursday 14th! We have therefore made the decision to open a fourth night on the Tuesday 12th – **tickets are on sale from Eventbrite.**
- National Careers Week – week beginning 4th March.
- World Book Day – Thursday 7th March. There will be activities taking place for students throughout the week!
- Year 9 Speed Networking Event – Friday 8th March
- Performance of 'The Government Inspector' by Splendid Productions at OSA – Wednesday 20th March (for our BTEC Acting Students).
- Local Primary Schools Outreach sessions in March: Trampolining & Multi sports events taking place at OSA.

SPORTING EVENTS

- U14 Netball Tournament – TGS – 28th February
- U14 Rugby Tournament – Ipswich School – 28th February
- U13 Rugby Tournament – Ipswich School – 6th March
- U13 West Suffolk Cup Football Match v Stowupland High School – 7th March
- U14 Football County Cup – Samuel ward Academy – 7th March
- U15 & U13 Girls Football Tournament – Haverhill – 8th March

TRIPS

- Jobs & Careers Fair – Year 10 – 04th March.
- Midsummers Night Dream – RSC – Stratford Upon Avon – year 7 - 7th March – **Fully booked.**
- Geography Field Trips – Year 11 – 3 sessions 6th-8th March.
- Duke Of Edinburgh Residential – Year 9 – 15th-17th March – **Fully booked.**
- Romeo and Juliet – RSC – Stratford Upon Avon – year 8 – 22nd March – **Fully booked.**
- Ski Trip – leaves Sunday 31st March – **Fully booked.**

COMMUNITY INFORMATION

WARM HUB FOR STUDENTS – TUESDAYS AND THURSDAYS

The youth warm hub drop-in at the Eden's Project in Sudbury is open Tuesdays and Thursdays from 3.30pm to 5.30pm (2.00pm to 6.00pm in the half term holiday). For more information please see [here](http://tinyurl.com/4vzs2ea8) or <http://tinyurl.com/4vzs2ea8>

FREE VIRTUAL SESSIONS FOR PARENTS

Please see below links to parent/carer workshops offered from Norfolk and Suffolk NHS Foundation Trust:

Psychology in Schools (supporting young people's mental health) [here](http://tinyurl.com/bddefdt) <http://tinyurl.com/bddefdt>
 Neurodiversity [here](http://tinyurl.com/tcrx3wru) <http://tinyurl.com/tcrx3wru>

CAREERS INFORMATION

NATIONAL CAREERS WEEK – WHAT'S HAPPENING AT OSA

Next week is National Careers Week 2024 and students will be hearing how different subject areas can link to a wide range of careers and why studying these subjects is important.

On Monday 4th March we will be taking Year 10 student to the Employment and Careers Fair in Sudbury, organised by James Cartlidge MP and Sudbury Chamber of Commerce.

On Friday 8th March we will be hosting a Speed Networking Event for Year 9 students where they will get to speak to a range of employers in sectors including engineering, law, manufacturing, public services and banking and finance.

Below are some resources that you can download to look at with your child to help support their career learning:

[NCW 2024 Resource Booklet - National Careers Week](#)

[Free resources | The Parents' Guide \(theparentsguideto.co.uk\)](#)

[National Careers Week 2024 | What's on offer on Bitesize Careers? - BBC Bitesize](#)

[Get ready for National Careers Week !\[\]\(a03a7eb2f4046e1d3c76772003e549ea_img.jpg\) \(mailchi.mp\)](#)

The Unifrog career platform have a number of 'soft skills' webinars, suitable for year 10 and 11, that are delivered by a panel of employers including Dyson, Deloitte and Accenture. Sign up here:

<https://www.unifrog.org/events>

CALLING ALL EMPLOYERS...

We are looking for organisations to help support our work experience programme. If you are an employer or work for an organisation that may be able to support our students by providing a one-week placement from 1-5 July 2024 then please email Miss Boreham on hboreham@ormistonsudbury.co.uk.

YEAR 10 WORK EXPERIENCE

The Y10 work experience letter (sent to parents 22.01.24) can be found [here](#) or please follow this link:

<http://tinyurl.com/5bsczxxd>

CAREERS EVENTS

Some of our Y10 students will be attending the Employment and Careers Fair being held at the Sudbury Arts Centre during the afternoon of Monday 4th March 2024. A letter (via email) has been sent to parents to confirm attendance. For more details, please see [here](#) or follow this link: <http://tinyurl.com/2k3ntwfp>

APPRENTICESHIPS

For parents/career who are interested in finding out more about apprenticeships, information be found on the Amazing Apprenticeship website, in different formats:

[The Apprenticeship Assembly Film - Amazing Apprenticeships](#)

[The Parent Perspective Podcast - Amazing Apprenticeships](#)

[Parents & Carers' Pack December 23 - Amazing Apprenticeships](#)

CAREERS INFORMATION AT OSA

The OSA Careers Newsletter has information to help support your young person with their career education. There are links to careers websites, Post 16 open days and career talks/virtual work experience. There is also information on career activities taking place at OSA.

<https://bit.ly/3RN9uA4>

If you would like to make an appointment to meet with our Careers Adviser, Miss Boreham, to discuss your young person's next steps, please email hboreham@ormistonsudbury.co.uk

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