

ELECTRONIC PARENT BULLETIN

8th March 2024

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

The term dates for 2024/25 have now been added to the school website and can also be found [here](http://tinyurl.com/3nkwpaxj)
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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.

MEET THE SCHOOL GOVERNORS

The governors would like to give parents/carers the opportunity to meet them and give feedback regarding our existing communications with parents/carers: newsletters, parent/teacher consultation meetings, reports home etc.. They are keen to understand what is valued and whether something additional or different would be helpful. If you would like to participate, please come along to **the Curve (at the front of school) between 3: 15 and 4:00pm on Wednesday 20th March**. There is no need to book: this is an informal 'drop in' opportunity.

If you are unable to attend but would like to give feedback to the governors about any aspect of communication between the Academy and parents/carers, please send that via e-mail to the contact@ormistonsudbury.co.uk address with 'For Governors' as the subject line and we will pass on your thoughts. Please ensure we receive your feedback before the end of the day, on Monday 18th March.

SCHOOL TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS

If your child is eligible for SCC funded school travel you will need to opt-in by **31 May 2024** to receive travel for the start of the 2024/2025 school year.

If your child already receives SCC funded school travel you still need to opt-in every year.

If your child is starting secondary school in September 2024 and they are eligible for SCC funded school travel you will be contacted by the end of March 2024. You will need to opt-in if you would like your child to use this service.

For more information on the SCC school travel policy and getting your child to school please visit;
<http://www.suffolkonboard.com/optin>

IMPORTANT DATES

The last day of school for students before the Easter Holidays is Thursday 28th March & students return to school on Monday 15th April.

Half term holiday: Monday 27th May to Friday 31st May. Students return to school on Monday 3rd June.

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

- **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

- **Shrek Tickets** – Limited tickets are still available for Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday. Tickets are on sale from Eventbrite.
- Performance of 'The Government Inspector' by Splendid Productions at OSA – Wednesday 20th March (for our BTEC Acting Students).

SPORTING EVENTS

- Year 11 football match at AFC Sudbury – Friday 15th March
- Local Primary Schools Outreach sessions are taking place in March here at OSA: Trampolining & Multi sports events.

TRIPS

- 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

SUFFOLK COUNTY COUNCIL – TEA & TALKS – SUPPORT FOR PARENTS OF 'TEENS'

Held monthly, in Bury, this group hopes to be able to offer parents a platform to talk through their worries with other parents, experiencing the same concerns, with the added support of, and advice from, relevant 'experts' from within Suffolk County Council's support teams. Please contact Young Persons Support Worker, 'Sammie', to find out more. Please follow [link](#) or <https://tinyurl.com/2z9j45c8> for more 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

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](http://tinyurl.com/5bsczxxd) or please follow this link: <http://tinyurl.com/5bsczxxd>

CAREER DAYS OPPORTUNITIES

Careerdays.co.uk are running events designed to give students an insight into possible future careers with advice on how to apply to university and an afternoon session of work experience to help them see what the career may be like. Students will receive a certificate confirming their work experience.

Students who are aged 13-18, students can register to join the online days by visiting www.careerdays.co.uk

- Medicine Career Day** - Saturday 20th March 2024
- Midwifery Career Day** - Saturday 6th April 2024
- Dentistry Career Day** - Sunday 7th April 2024
- Psychology Career Day** - Saturday 20th April 2024
- Business Career Day** - Saturday 27th April 2024
- Architect Career Day** - Saturday 4th May 2024
- Vet Career Day** - Saturday 11th May 2024
- Law Career Day** - Sunday 18th May 2024
- Performing Arts Career Day** - Sunday 19th May 2024
- Computer Science Career Day** - Saturday 25th May 2024
- Teaching Career Day** - Saturday 1st June 2024

Please note there is a charge for these events however some bursaries are available to pupil premium students.

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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Copies of **Letters to Parents/Carers** may be found on our website [here](https://ormistonsudburyacademy.co.uk/key-info/letters-to-parents-carers)
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Previous versions of our **Parent Email Bulletins** may be viewed on our website [here](https://ormistonsudburyacademy.co.uk/key-info/letters-to-parents-carers/electronic-bulletins)
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