

FORTNIGHTLY PARENT BULLETIN 25th April 2025

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Monday May 5th – Bank Holiday

Food Service Assistant Required at OSA

Please see **HERE** if you are interested in applying for this position.

Water Bottles and New Recycling Rules for Schools

Please can we ensure that students come into the Academy with a water bottle. Now the weather is getting warmer it is important that they keep hydrated. We have several water dispensers that students can refill their bottles during break and lunchtime.

Please can we request that students do not bring canned drinks into the Academy. Thank you.

Go4Schools

For Go4Schools - please follow the link HERE

NEWS, EVENTS AND TRIPS

Forthcoming Events/Visits - Summer Term 2025

APRIL

Date	Event	Information
29.04.25	Duke of Edinburgh – Student	Compulsory after school session for students going on
	Meetings	the DofE expedition (silver level). This will run until 4pm.
		Please see Miss Cooke for more information.
30.04.25	U16 Leavers Football Match	4.00pm to 5.30pm OSA

MAY

Date	Event	Information
02.05.25	Duke of Edinburgh Silver	Dedham Vale – selected students
to	Award Weekend	
04.05.25		
07.05.25	Year 10 visit to Colchester	9.00am to 1.00pm - selected students
	Institute	
08.05.25	Interactive Workshop –	Open to Y9/10/11 students – during the school day - see
	Women in Construction	Miss Boreham for more information
15.05.25	Year 7 Parents/Curriculum	Booking details will be emailed to parents/carers this
	Evening – Online	week.
15.05.25	Year 7 & 8 boys' and girls'	4.00pm to 6.15pm King Edward School, BSE
	multi-skills event	

20.05.25	Y9 Rounders Tournament	OSA 3.30pm to 6.00pm
20.05.25	Duke of Edinburgh – Student	Compulsory after school session for students going on
	Meetings	the DofE expedition (silver level). This will run until 4pm.
		Please see Miss Cooke for more information.
21.05.25	Year 10 Trip to BT Adastral	8.30am to 3.30pm – selected students
	Park, Ipswich	
21.05.25	Year 8 HPS students	Selected students – all day
	Graduation at Cambridge	Further details have been sent to parents/carers of
	University	students concerned
22.05.25	Y10 Rounders Tournament	OSA 3.30pm to 6.00pm
23.05.25	Duke of Edinburgh Silver	Thetford – selected students
to	Award Weekend	
25.05.25		

JUNE

Date	Event	Information
04.06.25	U15 Athletics Competition	Bury St Edmunds 1.00pm to 6.30pm
05.06.25	Y7 Rounders Tournament	OSA 3.30pm to 6.00pm
11.06.25	Year 9/10 National theatre	For Acting students - 11.00am to 8.30pm
	Trip 'London Road'	
11.06.25	Y8 Rounders Tournament	OSA 3.30pm to 6.00pm
12.06.25	Year 8 Parents/Curriculum	Booking details will be emailed to parents/carers
	Evening – Online	nearer the time.
12.06.25	U14 Athletics Competition	Bury St Edmunds 1.00pm to 6.30pm
17.06.25	Duke of Edinburgh – Student	Compulsory after school session for students going
	Meetings	on the DofE expedition (bronze level). This will run
		until 4pm. Please see Miss Cooke for more
		information.
18.06.25	Year 7/8 Big Bang Trip	Birmingham NEC 9.00am to 7.30pm.
		Now fully booked
19.06.25	Dance Show	Further details will be given to those students
		involved.
19.06.25	Year 7 intake (only) uniform	This will be held at OSA by Anglia Sports Wear from
	shop	3.30pm to 5.30pm
19.06.25	Year 11 leavers assembly	Year 11 students only to attend
19.06.25	U13 Athletics Competition	Bury St Edmunds 1.00pm to 6.30pm
20.06.25 to	Duke of Edinburgh Bronze	Selected students
22.06.25	Award Expedition	
24.06.25	Y7 County Final Rounders	OSA 2.00pm to 5.00pm
25.06.25 and	RSC Production at the	Selected students
26.06.25	Mercury Theatre, Colchester	
25.06.25 to	Year 8 residential trip to Ypres	Now fully booked
27.06.25		
26.06.25	Y8 County Final Rounders	OSA 2.00pm to 5.00pm
26.06.25	Year 11 Prom	7.30pm to 10.00pm
27.06.25	Performing Arts OSCARS	Further details to follow
	Showcase	
30.06.25	U12 Athletics Competition	Bury St Edmunds 1.00pm to 6.30pm

JULY

Date	Event	Information
01.07.25	Year 10 Summer Insight Day –	8.45am to 3.30pm – selected students
&	University of Essex	See Miss Boreham for more information
02.07.25	(Humanities and Science)	

02.07.25	Y9 County Final Rounders	OSA 2.00pm to 5.00pm
03.07.25	Sports day	All year groups
and		
04.07.25		
03.07.25	Meet the tutor welcome	For parents/carers of new Year 7 students joining us in
	evening	Sept 2025
From	Year 10 work experience week	
07.07.25		
07.07.25	Y6 transition days	
and		
08.07.25		
08.07.25	Y10 County Final Rounders	OSA 2.00pm to 5.00pm
10.07.25	Year 10 into 11 transition	Further details to follow
	evening	
10.07.25	OATS Got Talent Final	Birmingham – selected students
11.07.27	Colchester Castle trip Y7	Letters sent to parents this week
14.07.25	Year 9 residential Trip to	Now fully booked
to	Kingswood	
16.07.25		

STUDENT OPPORTUNITIES

OSA clubs

Maths support clubs are available to students after school:

Tuesdays 3.15pm to 4.15pm – Years 9 and 10 Wednesdays 3.15pm to 4.15pm – Years 7 and 8

Please find all lunchtime club information* HERE

Please find all after school club information* HERE

*PE clubs may differ

IMPORTANT CAREERS INFORMATION FOR STUDENTS/PARENTS/CARERS

Parents/Carers - Can you help us?

We are still looking for work experience placements for our Year 10 students. If you run a business or work for a company that might be able to support a young person by offering a placement then please contact Miss Boreham at hboreham@ormistonsudbury.co.uk for further details. Our work experience week is 7-11th July 2025.

Year 10 - Work Experience

Students that have secured work experience placements for July can now set these up on the Unifrog careers platform. All Year 10 students have been emailed instructions on how to do this, a guide on how to upload information to Unifrog can be found here:

Guides - Placement - Unifrog

If you have any questions regarding work experience, please email Careers Adviser Miss Boreham at hboreham@ormistonsudbury.co.uk

Suffolk County Council Letter – Next Steps after Year 11

Please see the letter from Suffolk County Council requesting information from parents HERE

Post 16 Applications

Please remind your young person to check their emails regularly for updates on their college application. Some students have missed interviews because they have not done so and may need to book an interview slot with the college. If your child has not yet had a response, then please do get in contact with the college/6th Form directly to check that they have the right contact information.

COMMUNITY INFORMATION

NHS Norfolk and Suffolk - Supporting Young Peoples Mental Health

Please find <u>HERE</u> the booking details of upcoming parent/carer mental health and wellbeing workshops for the summer term.

What parents need to know about INSTAGRAM

Please see **HERE** for more details.

What parents need to know about MAKING FRIENDS ONLINE

Please see **HERE** for more details.

Suffolk County Council - Funded School Travel

Message to parents

If your child is eligible for Suffolk County Council (SCC) funded school travel, you will need to opt-in by **31 May 2025** to receive travel for the start of the 2025/2026 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 2025 and they are eligible for SCC funded school travel, you will be contacted by the 3 April 2025. 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: www.suffolkonboard.com/optin

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(https://ormistonsudburyacademy.co.uk/key-info/letters-to-parents-carers)

Previous versions of our **Parent Email Bulletins** may be viewed on our website <u>here</u>

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