

Weekly Bulletin

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Popular choice for local parents

This week we received data from Croydon Local Authority on Year 6 parents' preferences for secondary school transfer next year. The data shows that the number of local parents choosing the Academy has doubled from last year which is really good news.

From the outset, it has been our stated intention to become a centre of excellence and an Academy which serves the needs of the local community. It takes time to build confidence and trust but we are making progress: academic results have already improved after just one year and they are set to improve even further next year. We are working hard to instill a sense of pride in students who come to this Academy and we have extremely high expectations in standards of uniform and behaviour. Our Family system of pastoral care offers a high level service of care and guidance to students and their families as we work together in 'our partnership for success'.

Year 11 Intervention Timetable

As part of our determination to give Year 11 students the best possible support and chance for success in their GCSEs we have organised a programme of revision sessions every evening from 3 – 5pm. Refreshments will be provided. Attendance is crucial as students prepare for their mock exams and of course, work towards securing those all-important final grades next summer.

The timetable for December will be focusing on the following subjects:

Monday	World Studies
Tuesday	Creative Arts – particular emphasis on OCR Sport
Wednesday	ICT and MFL
Thursday	English
Friday	Technology

Rotary Young Chef Competition

The first round in this very popular competition is open as we launch the Oasis Academy Young Chef 'Cook Off' to find out who are the most creative cooks to represent the Academy in the prestigious Rotary Young Chef regional heats.



To enter all you have to do is to write down a two course menu.

This can be either a starter and a main course or a main course and a dessert. You must make sure that it is suitable for two people and that it has a healthy eating theme. Cost also needs to be considered and must not be over £14.

You will need to write down all the ingredients required and a method for each course that you have chosen. Please can you also put down a rough idea of the cost of the ingredients. In addition you will need to say, in no more than four sentences, why your chosen menus are healthy.

Entries must be given to Mrs Buckingham by Monday 30th November. Judging will take place to find out which students will go forward to the Oasis Academy Cook Off!

Charity Support

Give a Gift for G.O.S.H

Amy Gullett, Director of Global Marketing for the Student Leadership Team is organising one of our many charity collections this year. **'Give a Gift' for Great Ormond Street Hospital.** If you are out Christmas shopping, why not purchase a small gift for a sick child who has to spend the festive season in hospital.



Things to give: Videos - no videos over a 12-rating please, Games (for example Connect 4 and Frustration), Computer games (for Playstation 1 and 2 and for PCs), Arts and crafts (for example paints and Playdough), Modelling kits, Jigsaws, Kits for girls (for example jewellery making kits and nail art), Chocolates

For babies: mobiles and musical mobiles, toys to stimulate the senses, musical toys

Things not to give: used toys, over-sized soft toys, large mechanical or motorised toys, used clothing, second-hand books, used magazines

ALL PRESENTS MUST HAVE A LABEL THAT STATES:

- What age and sex the present is for.
- A message
- Who it is from and Oasis Academy Coulsdon

Please give your gifts to reception by 12 December. Amy together with other Student Leaders will be organising delivery of the gifts to Great Ormond Street Hospital in time for Christmas.

Readathon

Nightingale Family would like everyone to take part in their Readathon and raise money in support of the **Malcolm Sargent Cancer Fund for Children**. Sponsorship cards and details are available from Mrs Patel.

Sports News

On Thursday the Year 11 boys basketball team played a brilliantly close match and ran out 12-8 winners! It was a great team effort and the boys are now in an excellent position to go through to the league finals.

The team consisted of Jayden Johnson, Chris Oddoye, Hanif Paul, Robert Dunning, Tendai Mutongerwa, Jordan Davies, Raheem Edwards, Aaron Henry, David Omony and Bruce Bagayas.

Dates for your Diary

Thursday 3rd December	Year 10 Parent's Evening
Saturday 5th December	Christmas in Coulsdon
Monday 7th December	Year 11 mock exams begin this week until the end of term
Thursday 10th December	6 – 7.30pm Parent's Forum

