

Bulletin

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Message from the Principal

Dear families,

Revision Week

We are now at the penultimate week of term and students will be completing assessments in the final week or so of term for us to understand how students are progressing so far (except for Year 11 who are preparing for their mocks after the half term break). Over the coming week, teachers will be letting students know when these assessments are, and providing revision lists. Students have access to their lessons via Teams to help them prepare. Please be aware we do not report home the results of individual assessments, but instead set and complete assessments over a term and then report home of an overall grade at the end of this time. This is because students can vary over the term in their test results, and we find we can more reliably inform you of their progress if we take multiple scores into account. If a member of staff is concerned regarding your child's progress, however, they will be in touch before then.

Anti-Bullying Week

This week we will also be marking Anti-Bullying Week, with special assemblies and focus around the school. I would like to thank Elliot Barnes, Josh Dear, and Alistair MacLeod in Year 11 who have set up the Anti-Bullying committee. We hope students from all year groups will volunteer to join and become Anti-Bullying ambassadors to help us to ensure that our all our students feel safe, part of the school family and have someone to talk to if they need to.

As part of World Mental Health day, we are also widening our support of mental health with extra training for staff and by widening our counselling offer through working with the charity Place2Be which will commence in January.

Lateral Flow Tests

Please do ensure that students take lateral flow tests twice weekly to help identify students who are asymptomatic for COVID. Whilst numbers of COVID cases have been low in the Academy, we want to ensure that students are able to attend the Academy safely as much as they can, and the lateral flow tests are an important part of this.

Best wishes,

Ms Green, Principal

School Photos

We are pleased that the school photos went to schedule last week. We hope to receive the proofs from the photography company in the coming weeks, and will send them home once they arrive, which will include details on how to order copies.

Star of the Week

Year 7: Hopeful

Kai Zinaka for an amazing improvement in punctuality to school

Year 8: Joyful

Jeremiah Bernard-Akinsanmi for showing resilience and determination to attend school every day.

Year 9: Considerate

Michael Dasilva-Staples for excellent teamwork and making others in the year group feel welcome.

Year 10: Humble

Jacob Dowdican for stepping in to help a Year 7 student who was hurt

Year 11: Joyful

Harry Kelly for doing an amazing job and being extremely positive while being the compere for his group in the Speak Out Challenge.

Attendance: Self-control

All of 7SHA for achieving 100% attendance last week and winning the attendance competition.

Sports: Patient

Lucas Watson, Bobby Shah, Freddie Mitchell and Harrison Bridger for representing our Academy and showing great team spirit.

European Bake-Off

Well done to all students who took part in the European Bake-off competition as part of European Day of Languages. There were some fantastic entries, and we are pleased to share with you the winning bakes here.

KS3 Winners:

Hannah, Year 7
Jasmin, Year 8



KS4 Winners:

Emma, Year 10
Jamie & Alfie, Year 10



Black History Month

We have been celebrating Black History Month in the Academy, kicked off last week with some fantastic assemblies organised by Ms Ogundele and a team of students. We have also been sharing daily in time Black History Heroes from our staff. You can check these out daily on our [Twitter](#) feed and [Facebook](#) page. Click on the links to see what has been shared so far, or sign up to follow us to get daily notifications.

Parent Workshop from Croydon Council

Parent Zone Local offers a range of free live events that we would love you to come to. You can find out more about what we have to offer by joining one of our introductory events from 12-16 October.

There will be many more different events to can register for from mid-October – exploring a range of topics. These will include: **online safety**, **misinformation**, **screen time**, **gaming**, and even a **virtual family quiz event**. Join us to learn more about the digital world – all from one of our expert hosts.

The link to the website is: <https://www.pzlocal.org.uk/events>



CHRISTMAS CARD COMPETITION

It's that time of year again when I ask all of our talented artists and creatives to design this years Oasis Academy Coulsdon Christmas Card!

However you celebrate the holidays the Art Department would like you to design a card that reflects the fun and spirit of the festive season.

We are looking for original ideas and imagery (copyrighted characters and designs cannot be used). Inventive ways of incorporating the Oasis Academy Coulsdon logo into your design *could* also be considered but are not compulsory.

Every student who enters will receive 4 Merits

Winning entries will receive the following:

1st Place: 10 Merits

2nd Place: 9 Merits

3rd Place: 8 Merits

4th Place: 7 Merits

The 1st place design selected by the Art Department elves will be professionally printed and sent to our neighbours and friends of Oasis on behalf of all of us here at Oasis Academy Coulsdon.

This year we are also considering printing the 2nd, 3rd & 4th place entries and selling them at school to raise money for charitable causes &/or funds to go towards equipment and resources for you to use.



The closing date for submissions is
Wednesday 10th November

Last Years Incredible
design was created
by Anaiya
(then in Yr7):

Hand in your card designs
to F3 - make sure your
Full Name, Year Group
and **House Name** are
clearly written on the
back of your entries.

Winners will be judged
the week we return from
the Half term break

Get designing
and Good Luck!