

# Bulletin

20th April 2026

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## Message from the Principal

### Dear families,

Welcome to Week 2 of the term.

We have had a really positive start back, and it has been a pleasure welcoming students into school. Thank you to **Jayden in Year 10** and **Reuban in Year 11** for their thoughtful performances in our whole-school assembly.

**Year 8** took part in excellent workshops led by the **London Ambulance Service**, and our **Year 7 and Year 11 students** had their whole-year group photographs taken, which we hope will be memories to treasure for many years.

During our whole-school assembly, I spoke with students about **Summer**, a much-loved member of our school community who died during Year 9. Summer should be turning 16 on **30 April**, and this year she should have been sitting her GCSEs and preparing for prom. She is deeply missed by staff and students alike.

To honour Summer, we will be marking her birthday with a number of activities to raise money for **Cardiac Risk in the Young**. We will also be raising funds in memory of another student, **Freddie**, who died earlier the same year. This will include a football tournament, something we know Freddie would have loved.

On the **May Bank Holiday**, I will be running a half marathon in memory of Summer. As part of this, students will be taking part in a **fun run during Period 6 on her birthday** to support me with my final practice run.

If you would like to donate towards the marathon, you can do so directly using the link below:

[https://www.justgiving.com/page/catrin-green-2?utm\\_medium=FA&utm\\_source=CL](https://www.justgiving.com/page/catrin-green-2?utm_medium=FA&utm_source=CL)

Thank you, as always, for your continued support and for the care you show our school community.

Finally good luck to our Year 11s who start their languages speaking exams this week - bonne chance and buena suerte!

Best wishes,  
**Ms Green**

HABIT OF THE WEEK:

PATIENT

ASSEMBLY THEME:

REVISION

## WHAT'S COMING UP...

- **Year 9 Parents' Evening**  
Wednesday 22nd April
- **Creative Arts Spring Showcase**  
Thursday 23rd April
- **Year 7 NHS Careers Day**  
Friday 24th April
- **Croydon College Visit**  
Friday 24th April
- **Bronze DofE Training Weekend**  
Saturday 25th and Sunday 26th April
- **Year 9 Misogyny Workshops**  
Monday 27th April & Friday 1st May
- **Years 9 RSE Workshops**  
Monday 27th & Thursday 30th April
- **Year 8 Parents Evening**  
Wednesday 29th April
- **UKMT Maths Challenge**  
Wednesday 29th April
- **CRY Fundraiser Day**  
Thursday 30th April  
More dates in the links below

## PARENTS' VOICE

### Principals' Drop In

Thursday 9th July

### Parents' Forum

Monday 27th April

Monday 8th June

See below for more details  
and how to book.

## Parent Events

### YEAR 7

Parents' Evening 24th June

### YEAR 8

Parents' Evening 29th April

### YEAR 9

Parents' Evening 22nd April

### YEAR 10

Parents' Evening 1st July

### ALL YEAR GROUPS

SEND Workshop - Thursday 14th May  
Parent Information - Wed 13th May

## KEY MESSAGES

### YEAR 10

We have had an excellent start to the week with attendance, which has been really encouraging. However, the drop on Friday was a concern. If your child is struggling with motivation on certain days, please email their mentor so that we can work together to develop strategies to support them. With end of year assessments beginning as early as 8 May every moment in lesson matters (please see email from Ms Kenison for details).

A reminder that false nails do not form part of the school uniform, and students will receive consequences if they are wearing them.

Lastly, if your child is excelling in any activities outside of school, please do send this information in so that we can celebrate their successes.

Thank you for your continued support

### YEAR 7

We would like to make parents and carers aware of a reported increase in gossip and rumours circulating among students, particularly through social media group chats where negative and unkind conversations are taking place. Many popular social media platforms (including WhatsApp, Instagram, Snapchat and TikTok) have a minimum age requirement of 13, and younger students accessing these spaces are especially vulnerable to harm. Gossip and online rumours can have a significant impact on students' wellbeing, mental health and ability to learn, often leading to anxiety, distress, reduced confidence and disengagement from school. We want to be clear that involvement in spreading rumours or participating in harmful online discussions is taken very seriously and can result in serious consequences, both in school and potentially beyond, including sanctions and further intervention. We ask for your continued support in discussing respectful online behaviour with your child, monitoring their use of group chats and social media, and encouraging them to speak to a trusted adult if they see or experience anything concerning.

### YEAR 9

It has been a fantastic first week getting to know some of the wonderful Year 9 students I haven't had the opportunity to teach before. I am thoroughly impressed with the positive and mature manner so many of them have shown.

A key reminder that Year 9 Parents' Evening will take place on Wednesday 22nd April, 4pm-7pm. It is essential that you attend, as this will be the final opportunity to discuss your child's options face to face with members of staff. If you are unable to attend and have any questions, please contact the relevant teachers directly.

### YEAR 11

A reminder that MFL speaking exams begin this week. It is essential that all students arrive at school on time. Following Mr Hodges' recent email, we strongly recommend that students aim to arrive at school between 7:45-8:00am to ensure they are punctual for exams and receive any important information. Students should also be encouraged to take an earlier bus or make alternative transport arrangements where necessary to support this. Establishing these routines now is particularly important, with written GCSE examinations starting in under three weeks.

## SEN WORKSHOP

Dear Parents and Carers,

We would like to share some further details about our upcoming SEND Information Evening on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> May. The event will be split into two parts, and families are welcome to attend either or both sessions.

Part 1: Informal Meetings - 4.00pm - 4.30pm Our year@group SEND Links will be available in classrooms for informal drop-in conversations. This is an opportunity to meet the staff who work closely with your child's year team and discuss any questions you may have.

Part 2: Information Talks in the Agora - 4.35pm - 5.30pm Two short talks will be delivered:

We are pleased to invite SEND parents and carers to an upcoming information session focused on supporting our children at home. The session will include two short, practical presentations: Ms Lewis will be presenting on screen time, exploring its impact on children and offering guidance on establishing healthy boundaries, and Miss Elvin will be presenting on executive functioning and homework, sharing strategies to support organisation, planning and task completion. This session aims to provide accessible advice, increase understanding, and offer opportunities for parents to reflect on what may best support their child's individual needs. We hope you will be able to join us. Please note that this evening is open to any parent or carer who would like to attend. Your child does not need to be on the SEND register to take part.

We warmly encourage you to join us for whichever parts of the evening are most useful for you.

To support our planning, we kindly ask that you complete the short form below to help us gauge numbers:

[SEND Information Evening - Thursday 15th May 2026 - Fill out form](#)

Thank you, and we look forward to seeing you there.

## INDEPENDENCE CHAMPIONS - MATHS

Well done to the following students who achieved the highest XP on Sparx Maths last week:

Year 7 – Nelson Bernardo

Year 8 – Sevastian Ausmees

Year 9 – Christopher Anyaegbunam

Well done to 9b/Ma-Aspire who achieved the highest average XP last week.

Well done to the following who have a high percentage of correct answers and have completed a significant number of questions last week:

Year 10 – Aaliyah Assanah

Year 11 – Tamsin Rowley

Well done!

## INDEPENDENCE CHAMPIONS - ENGLISH

Congratulations to the following KS4 students for their work on Educake this week:

Ethan Smeed – Year 11

Kevin Murali – Year 10

Well done to the following KS3 students for their engagement with Sparx Reader:

Juliana Adeboye – Year 9





Muna Beckford – Year 8

Joshua Smith – Year 7

## HOMEWORK

Homework timetable, Week 1

KS3





Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Science 	Language  	English <b>Sparx Reader</b>	Maths <b>Sparx Maths</b>	History 

KS4

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Language  	Geography 	English 	Maths 	Science/History 

Homework timetable, Week 2

KS3

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Science 	Language  	English <b>Sparx Reader</b>	Maths <b>Sparx Maths</b>	Geography 

KS4

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Language  	Geography 	English 	Maths 	Science/History 

### Expectations

- ♦ Students who do not complete the homework are issued a 50-minute detention.
- ♦ Students who attempt the homework but score below 70% on their best attempt will receive a behaviour point, unless they have spent 45 minutes or more on the task.
- ♦ Students who spend less than 45 minutes on the homework will receive a behaviour point, unless they have completed multiple attempts and ultimately achieved 100%.

## PARENTS' VOICE

We have three ways for parents to help support the academy, through conversations with Ms Green. These are for general ideas, thoughts and queries, rather than events or issues, specific to your child. This type of query should always go to your child's Mentor or Subject Teacher first.

## PRINCIPAL DROP-INS

Once a term. Pre-booked one to one, online 15minute sessions, for you to raise concerns directly with our principal. Please note, these will be limited and should be about general concerns or queries, not isolated incidents, regarding your child.

Summer Date 9th July - **Booking will open closer to the time** via School Cloud - <https://oasiscoulsdon.schoolcloud.co.uk>

## PARENTS' FORUM

Once a half-term. An online forum, of representatives from our Parents' WhatsApp, Facebook and other groups. A chance to bring concerns, to Ms Green's attention and discuss solutions. Mondays 27th April and 8th June - If you wish to represent your parents' group, please discuss this with other members in your group and then email [Caroline.Leeson@oasiscoulsdon.org](mailto:Caroline.Leeson@oasiscoulsdon.org)

## PARENTS' COFFEE MORNING / AFTERNOON

Once a term. An in-person chance to share your thoughts and discuss solutions, over a hot (or cold) drink, with Ms Green and other parents, during the academy day.



## Parents Supporting Revision: Making It Manageable

Revision can feel overwhelming when it's all or nothing. A steady, realistic plan helps teens build momentum without burning out.

**Why it matters:** Without structure, stress rises and learning suffers. Teens may procrastinate, stay up late, and lose confidence. A calm, consistent approach keeps things in perspective.

**What helps?** Co-create a simple timetable with short, focused bursts (25–30 mins) and regular breaks. Encourage active strategies—flashcards, teaching back, mind maps—and vary subjects to keep energy up. Schedule movement, sleep, and snacks; effort earns praise more than perfection. Try a “parking lot” notebook to offload worries that pop up mid-revision.

### Further support:

Place2Be Navigating Exam Season - <https://www.place2be.org.uk/our-services/young-people/navigating-exam-season-free-resources/>

Anna Freud Centre: Revision & self-care - <https://www.annafreud.org/resources/children-and-young-peoples-wellbeing/self-care/revision/>

YoungMinds (Parents): Exam time - <https://www.youngminds.org.uk/parent/parents-a-z-mental-health-guide/exam-time/>

Antony Johnston is the Place2Be Mental Health Practitioner at Oasis Academy Coulsdon (place2talk@oasiscoulsdon.org).

Place2Be is a children and young people's mental health charity providing counselling, mental health support, and training in UK schools. Provided that consent has been given, children can drop-in on Wednesdays and Thursdays to speak with Antony.

## SAFEGUARDING

### Pinterest: What Parents May Not Realise

A recent article from The White Hatter highlights an important online-safety issue many families are unaware of. Pinterest is often seen as a harmless app for browsing images and ideas, but it also includes private messaging features. In real cases, children were able to communicate privately with others through Pinterest, which led to the sharing of inappropriate images — something their parents did not realise was even possible.

The article reminds caregivers that many content-based apps now include ways to chat, connect, and build relationships, even if that is not their main purpose. What looks like a passive or “safe” platform can still carry risks if its full features are not understood.

### Key takeaway for families:

Online safety isn't just about which apps children use, but what those apps can do. Parents and carers are encouraged to stay curious, explore apps with their children, and have regular conversations about messaging, privacy, and sharing images online.

You can read the full article here: <https://www.thewhitehatter.ca/post/what-parents-didn-t-know-about-pinterest-matters-for-all-caregivers>

## PARENT WEBINARS

RM Partners (the cancer alliance for north west and south west London) are running a series of webinars for parents and carers, focusing on the HPV vaccine. These are open to everyone to attend, and all are welcome. Parents will have an opportunity to attend to hear about the HPV virus and cancer risk, the HPV vaccine, and what their child can expect on the day of vaccination. There will be a chance to ask questions if there is anything they would like to know that is not covered during the webinar.

Parents can sign up for these webinars by completing this short form: [Register for the HPV Vaccine Webinar](#)  
Webinar links will be emailed one week before and again 24 hours before your selected webinar as a reminder.

Upcoming webinar dates:

Monday 13 April at 18:30 – Hosted by Dr Bushra Khawaja, Hillingdon

Tuesday 14 April at 13:00 – Hosted by Dr Maria Wallace, Wandsworth

Wednesday 22 April at 13:00 – Hosted by Dr Helen Burns, Kensington & Chelsea and Westminster

Thursday 23 April at 18:30 – Hosted by Dr Bushra Khawaja, Hillingdon

Monday 27 April at 11:00 – Hosted by Dr Navdeep Alg, Merton

Wednesday 29 April at 19:30 – Hosted by Dr Mohsin Choudry, NW & SW London Clinical Lead

Wednesday 6 May at 13:00 – Hosted by Dr Helen Burns, Kensington & Chelsea and Westminster

Wednesday 6 May at 19:30 – Hosted by Dr Mohsin Choudry, NW & SW London Clinical Lead

Thursday 14 May at 16:30 – Hosted by Dr Maria Wallace, Wandsworth

Wednesday 20 May at 13:00 – Hosted by Dr Maria Wallace, Wandsworth

Thursday 21 May at 20:00 – Hosted by Dr Navdeep Alg, Merton



# STUDENT SHOUT-OUTS

- Lucas C year 11 for the impeccable reading aloud in Spanish! Terrific pronunciation and following the phonetic rules!
- Korey TH for being an absolute star in Spanish, composing wonderful answers in preparation for his speaking exam.
- Jayden F and Reuben I for performing in whole school assembly. I could see the year 7 in front of them visibly impressed by the speed of their fingers! Well done, and thank you.
- Kane C, Emre U and Keanu W all working solidly during Extra studies - no distractions at all, heads down revising for their maths exams
- To 9b aspire, thank you all for being the most understanding and driven students. Thank you for your perseverance and patience during a difficult period 2. You are all so amazing . We are so proud of you all.
- Layah C Yr 8, absolutely blown away by her resilience and confidence with area of a circle.
- Daisy F, her passion on her component 2 Textiles unit is wonderful, she has worked so hard.
- Rowan C Y7 not only for being really dedicated to wanting to improve in music but also for being a great conversationalist.
- Isla S and Harry K for always producing the best work and showing the enthusiasm towards learning in science.
- Molly W for doing extra maths before school with a smile when she doesn't have to be there.
- Jenna A and Lily T for picking up prefect duties and making it their own
- Archie P Y11 for being the first row of green in my completed coursework spreadsheet!
- Jenna H, Kiera C, Reggie H, Reece T for attending lunch time Maths intervention.
- Zayd C - helping support an upset student using reasoning and calming presence. Was so proud to witness his maturity.
- 7a/Sp2 for their excellent behaviour, when they walked to the Green Hall and when they had their pictures taken.
- Jeila C Y10 - making a great start back this term, really focussed and keen to show progress/independence.
- Aidan A - completing optional work over the Easter break to progress learning. Very proud of you Aidan! Also for having a very mature conversation to resolve an issue he had from yesterday. Explained his emotions and reasons well.
- Skylah R, for her amazing work ethics in every lesson. Her determination to learning is impeccable and infectious. We are so proud of you Skylah, keep up the excellent work
- Shout out for Elaycion for showing kindness towards his fellow classmates and helping them to complete tasks in science.
- Millie W and Saffiya Year 8s, for showing kindness and concerns for their peers. Good character goes a long way.
- To all the students of 8b Pas for your best RE lesson ever! The improvements in participation was outstanding. Thank you all for being so great and I hope we have more lessons like that.
- Jack B for great focus and hard work in science.
- Sienna S and Alicia W, Spanish Year 8 are always to inquisitive and contribute so much to the class debate, it is such a joy to teach such involved linguists.
- Lucas C, Kaylee K and Louie P for coming to 8am Club every morning this week - really positive attitude to their maths learning
- Class of 9b Dt2. Amazing, attentive, engaged and brilliant students. You guys were all great in DT. Showing off your skills and enjoying your task. Well done everyone
- 11BSp1 and 11AFr1 putting lots of effort to get ready for their speaking exams.
- Jenna H and Keira C for really showing fantastic motivation towards their maths.
- Lilyrose H and Sam J for attending every lunchtime maths intervention this week
- Skye G competed at Europa gymnastics centre in a regional competition. She competed on floor and vault and achieved GOLD. She's done so well and has trained so hard!

If you would like to share any away from the academy student shout outs, please use the form below

[Student Celebrations! – Fill in form](#)

# STUDENT SHOUT-OUTS



Year	Name
7	Logan Woods and Holly Hudd
8	Paige Gill
9	Janai Muzvidziwa
10	Skye Glading
11	Evan Kerrison



## DAILY PAYMENT CAP

In line with the increase of prices on our Sodexo menus, the daily cap for spending has now been increased to £7 per day, for all students. This means that students are able to purchase items up to a total of £7 per day at the Diner and Snack Shack.

Please speak to your child(ren) about their daily spending habits and ensure they are aware of your expectations for what they should be purchasing each day.

# Useful Links



## SEND YEAR GROUP LINKS

If you have any concerns or questions about your child's SEN, please reach out to your Year Group Link.

**Year 7** Jane.Williams@oasiscoulsdon.org

**Year 9** Shaun.Lincoln@oasiscoulsdon.org

**Year 8** Uzma.Khan@oasiscoulsdon.org

**Year 10** Grace.Brouder@oasiscoulsdon.org

**Year 11** Vikki.Gillman@oasiscoulsdon.org