



YEAR 8



NEWSLETTER



Portraits of the Queen to celebrate the Jubilee, in the style of artist Loui Jover, created by various members of Year 8

Dear Parent/Carer,

I am excited to be able to share with you the many sporting and academic successes Year 8 have enjoyed over the last term. With the end of their time as members of Year 8 rapidly approaching, the year group continues to consistently show our OHA values of Respect, Resilience and Responsibility and I am looking forward to sharing their future successes as they transition into the final year of KS3 and start to think about choosing their option subjects.

Mr Williamson – Raising Standard Leader



Students attended a rounders tournament at Haywood on Thursday 26th May. There were 4 other schools; Haywood, OSSMA, St Margaret Ward and Excel. We came 2nd in the tournament.

Student contributions

I have really enjoyed playing Netball in school this year. We played two games against Excel and two games at Fenton. I've enjoyed it because all of the students and teachers involved are so kind and supportive and it makes it lots of fun to play.

Stephanie

My name is Angel and I am proud to be an OHA'er. You might be surprised to learn that I am quite new to OHA but have found the atmosphere to be very welcoming. I was nervous on my first day but met some new friends in my PT group 8A2. Some of my friends were already involved in our anti-bullying alliance at OHA, and I am honored to have been chosen as an anti-bullying ambassador. I am so happy to be representing Year 8.

Angel

The Year 8 football team ended up competing in a cup final. We faced a good Excel side. Unfortunately we lost 2-1. However, everyone was proud with how far we got and want to win when we play again next year. Moving forward, we will be playing against Haywood Academy in a dodgeball game. This is really important because if we win, we will be going to Keele University to play in a tournament against lots of other schools.

Connor

I really enjoyed the Pop Music lessons we have been doing in music. The entire concept of reusing and composing your own song was quite amusing and fun. I got to work on my own (which I enjoy). The topic also made me improve my piano skills, as I can now play songs with both hands. In short, I'm a big fan of music and this term was really really fun.

Aleks

I have really enjoyed my science lessons this term. This is because we always have a good topic and we do really fun practical lessons. Another thing I enjoy doing is radio and electronics club. We learn about different components used in electronics. One time we made an LED Christmas tree and now we are moving on to getting our amateur radio license. I would recommend joining an after-school club that has something to do with STEM because it can help you get better at some subjects and it's really fun.

Darwin



Commiserations to our Year 8 boys football team who narrowly lost 2-1 to Excel Academy in their cup final last week. Taking an unbeaten record into the game the boys took the lead in the first half through Alfie. Unfortunately, two second-half goals meant they came up just short in their quest for the cup. The boys can still be proud of an outstanding season of results.

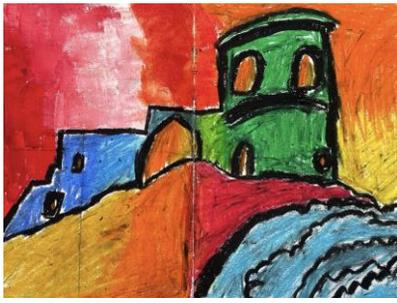
This term, Warren and Tyler have taken part in our Forest Schools programme designed to promote confidence and friendships.



Students take part in a Drama lesson and practice their storytelling through movement.

Students received a praise postcard for achieving the highest BFL score in the lessons for the previous week.





Students have been producing landscapes inspired by local heritage in the style of the Fauves in their art lessons this half term.



Year 8 have learned about a variety of interesting topics this term including learning how to bake and sew in DT, and geometry and data handling in Maths.





Well done to our Year 8 Industrial Cadets team who graduated this week from the bronze STEM based programme. Industrial cadets is a national industry-led accreditation designed to enhance workplace experiences for young people. Industrial Cadets works with UK employers to create a talent pipeline and a future skilled workforce, whilst helping young people to develop the skills they need to enter industry with confidence.

Our Year 8 team of Lottie, Zoe, Brian, Luca and Charlie worked on a project to tackle future proofing buildings in the face of environmental issues. The groups project was based around developing the use of hydroelectricity and dams to power buildings and negate flooding issues. The team met with judges this week who gave them some great feedback, well done all.



Students have taken part in a variety of activities during PE lessons, including shot put and javelin. A number of students have also had the opportunity to take part in boxing training.

OAT Cup Sports Day

Each Year OHA compete at Northwood stadium against other Ormiston Academy Trust schools from around the country in a mixture of games and athletic events. OHA were once again victorious, with Year 8 students playing a major role in this fantastic success. Medal winners in Year 8 are listed below:

	Position	Event
Connor	1st	800m
Abbie	1st	Discus
Poppy	1st	Long Jump
Bethan	2nd	800m
Michael	2nd	Shot
Catelyn	2nd	100m
Gina	3rd	Shot
KS3 Boys	2nd	Relay
KS3 Boys	3rd	Football
KS3 Girls	3rd	Relay



Hall of Fame

Students with highest numbers of lesson 1s this half term:

- Crissy – 45
- Ewa – 40
- Sharna - 35
- Reece - 34
- Carolanne - 33
- Darwin - 33
- Nell – 33
- Elizabeth - 33

PT award for the star of the half term award:

- 8A1 - Crissy
- 8A2 - Lydia
- 8C1 - Brian
- 8C2 - Chloe
- 8D1 - Ewa
- 8D2 - Callum
- 8P1 - Lexi
- 8P2 - Bethan

Winners of 100% attendance weekly voucher draw

- Stephanie – 8A2
- Charlie - 8D1
- Ruby – 8C1
- Ed-Brandon – 8P2
- Alyssa – 8D2
- Lewis – 8A2

RSL AWARDS

The following students have consistently demonstrated our academy values and so each received the RSL award and a prize during our celebration assembly.

Respect: Ellie-Mae 8P2

Resilience: Josh 8D1

Responsibility: Caden 8C2

Outstanding OHA'er: Aleks 8P2



Congratulations to all members of Year 8 who have achieved something this term that they can be proud of, whether that be a sporting success, overcoming a difficult challenge in the classroom or making a new friend. I know that you will all keep working hard for the last few weeks before the summer holidays to be the best OHA'er that you can be.

Mr Williamson – Raising Standard Leader

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