

THE "OHA" 'ER"

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Principal's Update

A warm welcome back after the half term break. I hope family plans were not derailed by the damp weather. At the time of writing, I want to take this opportunity to wish our football teams the very best of luck in the City finals on Friday. Fingers crossed we will be celebrating some success in the coming days.

Attendance continues to be a key driver for the academy, particularly for Year 9 & Year 10 students. Any students whose attendance is below 90% is classified as persistent absent from school and will be at the top of our monitoring lists for next academic year. With only six school weeks remaining in this year's academic year, it is important that every student is in for every day.

We have some very exciting news that will be released to all families in the next week which will potentially have not only a positive impact on our school but also our wider community. Please keep a look out for a letter and video over the next week.

~ Mr Fitzgibbon

Key Dates



Monday 9th June – Friday 20th June
Y10 Mock Exam Weeks

Monday 9th June/Tuesday 10th June
Maccas Project Workshops (Y8/Y9)

Saturday 14th June
DofE Expedition Weekend

Wednesday 18th June
Year 8 Parents Evening (3pm – 6.30pm)

Saturday 21st June
Year 5 Open Morning

Monday 30th June – Friday 4th July
Year 10 Work Experience Week

Monday 30th June
Y7-Y9 Sports Day @ Northwood

Year 10 Mock Exams



Students are expected to be in line up as normal during morning exams and the mobile phone routine in form rooms will also continue as normal.

All bags need to be stored in lockers, and blazer pockets are emptied.

Students are required to have a clear pencil case and clear bottle of water only.

Only students with medical toilet passes will be allowed to use the toilet during the exam.

Students must remain in silence during the warmup and roll call in the theatre once the call for attention takes place.

Assembly Overview



WB 2nd June

Student Leadership Team – Year 10 (LLW)
Sports Day Banners – PE

WB 9th June

Community Sport Facilities – ALL (AWF)
Sports Day Banners – PE

PSHE/WS Overview



Year 7 – Parliament & Political Parties

Year 8 – Tracking & Budgeting Money

Year 9 – Fertility & Pregnancy

Year 10 PSHE – Stalking Laws

Year 10 WS – False Media and Conspiracy Theories

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Year 7

Just wanted to thank all the parents that came to our parents evening last term, it was great to see so many parents have such positive meetings.

Year 7 took part in their first athletics competition this week called super 8's at Northwood. Well done to all of those that took part and represented the academy. Are focus this final half-term is to see even more year 7 pupils getting involved in enrichment. There are a range of extra-curricular activities to take part in, with no need to sign up, you can simply show up! Pupils can simply ask their personal tutor for all the clubs we currently have on offer.

~ Miss Collis (Director of KS3)

Year 8

Well done to all those that received an award at our awards evening. I want to say a huge thank you to Mr Rose for taking over the reigns as our Raising Standards Leader, he has built fabulous relationships with all in the year group. This has allowed a smooth transition for Miss Haynes' return who has been really looking forward to overseeing the year group again.

We have year 8 parents' evening on the 18th June, where you will be able to meet with your child's teachers in the academy. Appointments can be made now, so please book them through the Edulink app.

~ Miss Collis (Director of KS3)

Year 9

It's the final stretch for us before we move into Key Stage 4 and students are demonstrating their maturity and are ready for the change ahead! We said a heartfelt goodbye to Mr Woodcock before the break and welcomed Mr Rose as the new RSL for the year group, who I'm sure will be a great fit for us all!

This month is our last Sports Day, so I encourage all students to get involved as next year will be their Work Experience - time is flying now and it's time to create as many memories as possible for their OHA Journey.

~ Miss Wilkes (Director of Y9)

Year 10

Welcome back to the final half term of the academic year. We hope you had a restful and enjoyable break. As we move into this important period, we need all year 10 students to stay motivated as they begin their transition into year 11. This half term is an opportunity for year 10 students to build stronger habits and end the year on a high. A reminder that the first full week of mock exams begins next week, so students should be revising and preparing thoroughly.

Finally, if your child has not yet arranged their work experience placement, please ensure this is organised as soon as possible. Let's make this final half term count!

~ Mr Parkinson (Director of KS4)

Year 11

Year 11 have now enjoyed their Leavers' Day, which included their final assembly and a shirt signing. It was a fantastic occasion and a wonderful opportunity to celebrate all the hard work and success they've achieved over the past five years. It was amazing to see so many students in attendance for what truly was a memorable day. A reminder that Year 11 students are still expected to be in school by 08:30 each day for their remaining booster sessions and exams. The deadline to purchase leavers' books is 17th June 2025, and prom tickets are available to buy via ParentPay.

Good luck in your final exams, Year 11 - your dedication and determination will pay off. It's been a genuine pleasure to be your RSL for the past four years, and I wish you all the very best for the future.

~ Mr Williamson (RSL Y11)

What are we learning in.. Performing Arts?

Y7 Dance - Musical Theatre

Y8 Dance - World Dance

Y9 Dance - Creating Choreography

Y10 Drama - Component 3; text in practice

Y10 Dance - Component 3; responding to a brief



Year 11 Student Leadership Team 2026

This week, Y10 students had the launch of the Leadership Team for 2026, taking over the reigns from Deacon, Millie and Lydia.

Students are invited to apply for the following roles:

- Head Boy
- Head Girl
- Prom Prefect
- Yearbook Prefect
- Community Prefect
- Enrichment Prefect

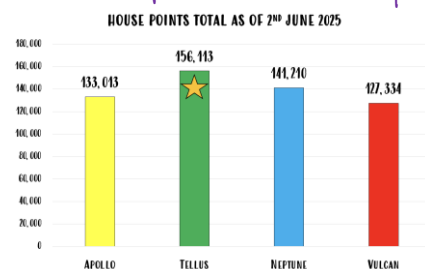
Applications can be written, or video and the deadline is **Friday 13th June at 3.30pm.**

Interviews will take place on Thursday 19th June.

House Update

The final half term has arrived, and it is a full-on sporty affair for our House Events for the rest of the academic year! The next two weeks see the girls take centre stage in their Interhouse Netball Events, with each year group getting their own event to see who takes the house bragging rights as we approach the finish of our 2024-25 House Calendar.

In terms of our leaderboard, it is still very much Tellus' cup to lose as they continue to go from strength-to-strength and even managing to extend their lead by a further 2000+ House Points this past week. It isn't over until it's over however, and Neptune certainly won't want to give up their crown without a fight as we approach the final 7 weeks in the race for the OHA House Cup!



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OHA GALLERY

Y11 North City Final Football Success



Celebration Evening Performance



Alternative Footwear Day raised over £300!



Y7 Athletics at Northwood



Cadets Trip to Southport



Y9/YO Athletics at Northwood



Picnic and Games Rewards Afternoon



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HORIZON CELEBRATION EVENING

On Tuesday 20th May, Horizon hosted our annual Celebration evening where students won awards for their hardwork and dedication in subjects and the OHA community. It was an amazing evening, which celebrated students being themselves the OHA'ers all other students should aspire to become.

KS3 Awards		
English	D	Ingram
Maths	E	Ainsworth
Science	C	Bentley
IT	A	Taylor
DT	E	Niedzwiecka
Spanish	L	Krawiec
History	R	Harris
Geography	L	Melvin
World Studies	L	Morgan
Performing Arts	E	Shaw
PE	M	Rafferty
Art	M	Walker

Special Awards		
Respect	I	O'Leary
Resilience	K	Vickers
Responsibility	H	Makamure
Role Model Y7	S	Tolos
Role Model Y8	N	Kendrick
Role Model Y9	L	Twardochleb
Role Model Y10	L	Hassall
Role Model Y11	L	Mason
Angela Clacher Award	G	Outerbridge
Principal's Award	E	Peake

KS4 Awards		
English Literature	A	Grosiak
English Language	C	Meredith
Science	E	Khan
Maths	G	Edwards
Statistics	B	Boulton
Creative iMedia	J	Leese
Construction	J	Tunnicliffe
DT	C	Plant
Hospitality and Catering	E	Watson
Textiles	O	Alaba
Business	M	Hassan
Spanish	A	Grosiak
History	K	Vickers
Geography	E	Wojnilo
Dance	E	Peake
Drama	C	Meredith
Music	C	Grice
Psychology	E	Khan
Health and Social Care	V	Popko
Religious Studies	E	Sherratt
Art	N	Shenton
Photography	C	Plant
Sport Studies	M	Rafferty
GCSE PE	R	Johnson



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ASPIRE TO BE MORE

Purple tickets are awarded weekly for:

- 100% attendance
- Every 20 house points awarded
- Completing tassomai/sparx weekly goals
- 0 behaviour points
- 1 ticket per subject on target, during assessment points

END OF WEEK 17 STANDINGS

YEAR 7

Sharman, H

Whitefoot, K

Austin-Broomhall, F

Harrell, R

Bailey, C

YEAR 8

Kendrick, N

Muomah, M

Meredith, A

Niedzwiecka, A

Worrall, C

YEAR 9

Mufandaedza, Z

O'Leary, I

Ingram, D

Espley, L

Foster, L

YEAR 10

Jackson, A

Murphy, J

Hassall, L

Clowes, F

Hiller, P