

# THE "OHA" 'ER"

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## Principal's Update

As we move towards the end of the academic year, it seems to get even busier for staff and students.

A huge well done to all our students for a phenomenal Sports Day on Monday. It really is one of the best days of the year. I was impressed by so many things, they are difficult to explain but I have tried to capture them below:

- How immaculate all the students were dressed. They were in perfect PE kit and were a real credit to themselves, their families and to the school
- The level of competition was really high. We have so many talented athletes who gave 100% on the different events that they got involved in
- Participation levels were excellent. All events were full, and students were willing to 'give it a go' as they wanted to represent their House
- How supportive the students were of each other. This was amazing to see

A big thank you to our amazing PE Team for their organisation, planning and vision!

Well done to all our Y10 students on Work Experience this week. Going on work experience is a really important part of school life. I know that for some, putting themselves out of the comfort zone will have been a real challenge, however, I am confident that they will have developed some new skills and it will have improved their confidence levels.

It was a real pleasure to watch our recent school musical - Annie. I was blown away by the confidence and ability of our wonderful students. To stand on stage and perform with so much composure and skill, takes a really special person. A big thank you to Team Performing Arts, Miss Wood and our wonderful Year 11 helpers for all their hard work.

~ Mr Fitzgibbon

## Key Dates



**Monday 7<sup>th</sup> July**

Year 7 STEM Day (in academy)  
Sport Awards Evening - Invite only

**Friday 11<sup>th</sup> July**

Academy Rewards Trip @ Alton Towers (invite only)

**Monday 14<sup>th</sup> July**

Y10 Driving Lesson Rewards - invite only (LLW)

**Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> July**

Personal Development Day 3 - Academy PE Kit

**Friday 18<sup>th</sup> July**

Horizon Day - Academy PE Kit  
Academy closes at 12.20pm

**Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September**

Academy opens for Y7 only

**Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> September**

Academy opens for all students.

## PD Day 3

**Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> July**



**Year 7 - New Brighton Beach**

Academy PE kit + packed lunch

**Year 8 - DoFE Day (In Academy)**

Academy PE Kit

**Year 9 - National War Arboretum**

Academy PE kit + packed lunch

**Year 10 - Careers Day (In academy)**

Academy PE Kit

Full details and medical forms will be sent via "Forms" on Edulink, for all external trips.

Please ensure you log in to your PARENTAL account to fill this in. It cannot be accessed via student profiles.



## Assembly Overview



**WB 7<sup>th</sup> July**

Lockdown Procedures (SLS)  
Horizon Day (LLW)

**WB 14<sup>th</sup> July**

Celebration (RSLs)  
Horizon Day Reminders (LLW)

## PSHE/AS Overview



Year 7 - My own election

Year 8 - Keeping money safe

Year 9 - Pornography

Year 10 - Sexual Health Services

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## Year 7

What a brilliant day we had on Monday for Sports Day! It was fantastic to see Year 7 getting fully involved in the events and showing such enthusiasm cheering on their peers from the stands - Well done all!

With just a few weeks left of term, we're aiming for a positive and settled end to the academic year. Year 7, please keep showing focus and resilience in lessons, respect for staff and students, and take responsibility by wearing the correct uniform, arriving on time to school and lessons, being fully equipped, completing homework, and attending any detentions.

Let's finish the year strong! ~ Miss Smith (RSL)

## Year 8

Firstly, I am so glad to be back and leading the year group once again. All of the students have been so welcoming making my return really easy. We had sports day this half term, students had an amazing day, and it was great to see Vulcan the overall winners. Ruff and Ruby came into the academy for an assembly which was really well received. Ruff and Ruby are a youth charity which promotes positive self-esteem and aspirations in young people. We even had students actively engage in the music and dancing which was lovely to see. May I take this opportunity to wish you a fabulous summer and I will see you in Year 9.

~ Miss Haynes (RSL)

## Year 9

As we approach the final few weeks of the academic year this year group has continued to show what an amazing collection of individuals they are.

Since taking over from Mr Woodcock at the beginning of June I have been lucky enough to see first-hand the high levels of hard work and dedication that our Year 9 pupils put towards their education. It is these values that will set them in good stead when they begin the challenges that await them in Year 10. I have no doubt that the year group will be able to rise to the occasion and once again showcase their brilliance.

Speaking of brilliance, I cannot begin to explain the pride and adulation we all felt watching our student perform during our Sports Day. Seeing the excitement, passion and enthusiasm across the pupils faces made the event what it was, well done to all involved whether you were on the field, on the track or in the stands supporting your classmates! We now have one final push until a well-deserved summer break. Keep going Year 9!

~ Mr Rose (RSL)

## Year 10

Year 10 had an excellent mock exam season.

Their attitudes and conducts towards the exams were professional and standards in exams were excellent. The results they achieve will give them an idea of their progress but it is important to remind them it is not the final grade - a big push in Y11 can have massive outcome on students' grades and the help and support available in school can improve achievement considerably.

Students will also be expected to complete P6 as part of their timetable. Bring on their final year!

~ Mr Maher (RSL)

## Horizon Day – Friday 18<sup>th</sup> July

A day of enrichment for all students on the last day of term!

Students will come to the academy in their full academy PE kit for line up as normal.

Students will have the choice of over 30 sessions to choose from, for all 3 periods of the day until we close for the summer holidays!

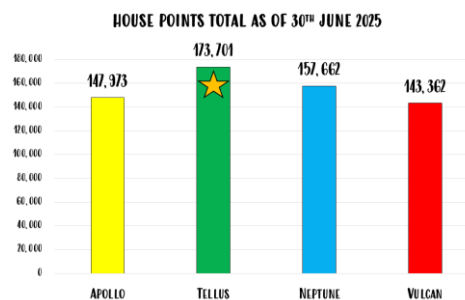
Activities range from sports, art, crafts, wellbeing, games and much more

Students have until Friday 11<sup>th</sup> July to choose their sessions, via their student Edulink page and on the "forms" section.



## House Update

As we approach the final weeks of the academic year it is a great time to reflect on the amazing engagement and excitement that our House System has seen this year. We have ran over 50 different House Events so far this year, with over 1,000 participants; this is amazing to look back on as we know that we have some amazing pupils within our academy who excel inside and outside of the classroom. Our House System allows our pupils to feel a part of something wider, where they are able to express themselves, feel a sense of belonging and achieve beyond their Horizons. I am thankful to say that so far this year, we have done just that! Capped off by an unbelievable Sports Day this past Monday, we finish off our House Event Calendar with our Interhouse Rounders events, before finding out once and for all who our 2025 OHA House Cup Winners are...



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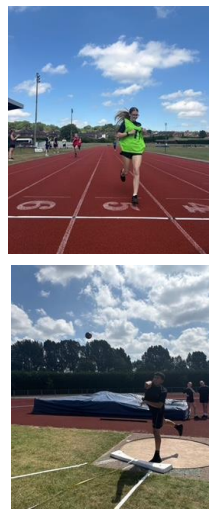
Annie Show



OAT Sports Cup Winners – 8 years running!



Horizon Sports Day!



Rounders Teams



Ruff & Ruby Worthy Workshops and Assemblies



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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 or above target, during assessment points

## END OF WEEK 21 STANDINGS

<u>YEAR 7</u>
Sharman, H
Whitefoot, K
Harrell, R
Austin-Broomhall, F
Malbon, J

<u>YEAR 8</u>
Kendrick, N
Muomah, M
Meredith, A
Lockett, O
Niedzwiecka, A

<u>YEAR 9</u>
Mufandaedza, Z
O'Leary, I
Khan, I
Ingram, D
Espley, L

<u>YEAR 10</u>
Jackson, A
Hassall, L
Murphy, J
Hiller, P
Clowes, F