

#### Wishing You All a Peaceful Summer!

Welcome to our first ever lockdown newsletter. As I am writing this, it's fair to say the world has changed considerably since I wrote the Newsletter this time last year!

We have welcomed our Year 10 students back to OAW and it has been so lovely to see them. Whilst the measures that we have put in place for Health and Safety make the building a very different place, it is the relationships that are important and it has been lovely to see them in the morning and watch them greet the staff that are in.

Our staff have been amazing during this time and I would like to say a big thank you to each and every one of them as I know how hard they have been working, many of them giving up their Easter, May half-term and bank holidays to ensure that our students are looked after. When we went into lockdown in the first few weeks, I don't think any of us really thought what that would entail and we have continued to run OAW Childcare and the virtual school throughout. Thank you to everyone who has provided feedback on these as this has been invaluable in helping us shape what we are doing, particularly the virtual website.

At times like these it is very easy to dwell on the negatives however, there have been many great things to come out of this pandemic, not least the time that we have been able to spend with our family and the fact that we can now buy toilet roll! Miss Green, our Associate Assistant Principal has had a beautiful baby boy during the pandemic and a big congratulations to her. I have found this lovely poem written by a 12-year-old and I think that it will resonate with many of you as we start to ease out of lockdown.

Coronavirus, you've taken so much, You've hidden our loved ones away from our touch, You've intruen our lover ones away nom our of You've cancelled our plans and our trips away, You ve cancelled our plans and our trips away, We are stuck in our homes, where for now we must

School has been cancelled, our lessons online, stay. It was exciting at first, but now lost its shine. We miss our friends and the daily routine, Chats in the playground and jokes in the canteen.

But we will do it forever, if that's what it takes, but we will do it forever, if that's what it takes, Because Corona has threatened the highest of stakes. We will stay inside and follow the rules, We will draw rainbows, bake cakes and do some homeschool.

We really don't care that life is on hold, As when this is all over, our family we'll hold. When lockdown is lifted and we're allowed out, when lockdown is lifted and we're allowed out, We'll appreciate our freedom - without a doubt. We'll be proud of the time, the world went to sleep. To keep loved ones safe, until then hugs will keep.

Poppy-Grace Stebbings (age 12)

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Usually, during my summer newsletter, it is an opportunity to reminisce about our Year 11 students however, this year has been very different for them and they haven't had the opportunity to have a proper leaver's day or a prom and I have no doubt, some students feel a bit upset by this. When this is all over and if it is possible, I have promised that we will do what we can to have some sort of prom/send off, as they were a fantastic year group.

At this time of year, we usually welcome our new Year 7 students into the Academy to begin our transition programme. Sadly, we are not able to follow our normal programme this year however, we have been working hard to ensure that there is an appropriate plan in place and transition can be done virtually. So far, we have released a number of videos with key staff, a video which gave the students a tour of the building, a competition and we have some virtual transition work on our Academy website. There is lots more planned so more to come! If you are the parent of a new Year 7 and you have any questions then please get in touch with Mrs Castle as she will be happy to help. Dawn.Castle@oasiswintringham.org

At the end of this term we will be saying goodbye to Miss Champion who is leaving us to go on to pastures new in Seville, she is very excited about this and what living in Spain will bring. We thank her for all her hard work and wish her all the best for the future. I know that this has been a dream of hers for a long time and to finally realise that dream is fantastic.

I hope that you enjoy this Newsletter. Please keep up to date with what is going on at the Academy via our Facebook page and Twitter feed, which are updated regularly to keep everyone informed of what is going on at OAW.

Finally, I hope that you have a relaxing and enjoyable summer break. I hope that the sun shines and you are able to spend quality time with family and friends. We hope to see the students soon, when it is safe to do so.

Perseverance Relationships Inclusion Diversity Everlasting

Thank you for your continued support.

Ms Heidi Stennett Principal



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### Transition

The Year 7 team are really excited now they're getting to know the students who are transitioning to Oasis Academy Wintringham. Mrs Castle has been in touch with all Year 6s about transition. Miss Peers (Head of Year) and Mrs McIntyre (Year Manager) have to introduced themselves. There are going to be some exciting bridging activities sent to you soon so keep your eye out for these.

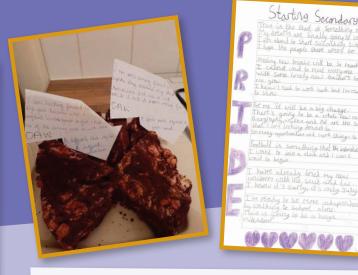
We know some of you may be feeling a little bit nervous about your transition to our Academy. Please be reassured that we will do everything we can to make it as easy as possible for you. There are many things to look forward to; we have many clubs such as music, singing and sports, as well as debating, media and homework club.

The Y6 Welcome videos can be found here: www. oasisacademywintringham.org/admissions/transition



# Fantastic Castles!

The Year 7 and Year 8 students have been busy making their cardboard castles for the History Department. Here are some of the ones we've received so far! Please keep them coming in!



Year 6, thank you so much for all of your fabulous entries. It was a pleasure to look through all of your creations and we really enjoyed reading about what you're most excited about when coming to Oasis Academy Wintringham.

Congratulations to our competition winner James Lin and the runner up Summer Lofts. Please keep an eye on your email for your prizes!

Look out for future competitions. These are the winners of the first competition we've had. There were some amazing entries for the picture of hope competition and it was very difficult for the judges to decide on the winners. Look at the fantastic descriptions they've done below.

Looking forward to seeing you all soon!









A Message from the Heads of Year

The Heads of Year have been enjoying contacting you all and hearing what you've all been up to! Remember, you can contact your Head of Year and Year Manager at any point for anything that is exciting you, bothering you or that you're concerned about. We're all here to support you and there are a range of other professionals too such as: www.kooth.com or the school nurse free confidential text service 07507331620 available 9-5 Monday to Friday.

Many of you have been keeping active, some of you have been playing tennis, running and scooting, it's been great to see that some of you have been doing virtual classes and coaching too! All teachers have loved seeing your #healthyselfies. Keep these coming in to the @OAWSport Instagram. Keeping healthy is good for your mind and body, and remember you should try your best to continue with the exercise, sleep right and eat well. Don't forget, your teachers are all available to help you with your work too.



resources to check out on our Padlet! https://padlet.com/

and Twitter @OAWLRC and Instagram @OAW LRC.

Your prizes are on the way!

to be in by 12 July.

Send your entries to:

annespencer5950/LRCinlockdown

A massive well done to the winners

THE WINNERS ARE

of the Harry Potter competition.

The next competition is to win a

set of Game On books (see below)

turn your favourite book cover into

a video game cover. Entries need

anne.spencer@oasiswintringham.

org Can't wait to see your entries.

Free Counselling
Journal & Self-Help Tools



Year 11, you may not have been seated in the sports hall or the classrooms on the top corridor to sit your exams, but the work is done; nothing is wasted. You've enriched your lives with knowledge, made the most of opportunities, perfected skills and, above all, developed the habits of hard work.

There are some exciting year group competitions to look forward to, please follow us on social media and keep your eye out for this. There are some fantastic prizes up for grabs!

We're excited to see you all as soon as we can.

#### The Little Princess Trust

One of our truly wonderful Year 8 students, Ruby Robinson, is holding a fundraiser for the Little Princess Trust.

In July she is going to shave her head and donate her hair!

If you would like to support Ruby and make a donation she has set up a Just Giving page. Please see below:

https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/ruby-robinson?utm\_ source=Sharethis&utm\_medium=fundraising&utm\_ content=ruby-robinson&utm\_campaign=pfp-email&utm\_ term=3bba2cb916af4a249a4923c8bad3db3e

To learn more about the Little Princess Trust follow the link to their website: https://www.littleprincesses.org.uk/

#### Eiffel Tower Competition



We had some fantastic entries, well done everyone! Our three winners of the MFL Competition are Jayden Green, Leah Cook and Andrew Crunkhorn. Well done!

#### Careers Education, Information, Advice and Guidance, CEIAG

Prior to the Covid-19 lockdown, Careers Education Advice and Guidance at Oasis Academy Wintringham was at full steam ahead. Key Stage 4 students had visited the University of Hull and Grimsby Institute of Further and Higher Education. Their knowledge of post-16 opportunities was broadening. The comprehensive assembly and tutorial programme enabled our students to understand the links between the academic curriculum and the world of work. Many different types of career were explored, as well as how personal decisions can shape futures.

During this time, we made extensive use of our generous external learning partners to support us in the week to week careers education. Assemblies were delivered by Steve Ryley, (Quantity Surveyor from Engie) Beth Loring, (Town Planner) Debbie Cook, (Chief Executive of the YMCA) Olivia Stuart, (National Citizenship team) and Jenny Vincent (Careers and Enterprise Advisor).



In early March it was National Careers Week, and our very own Careers Advisor, Sally Lumby, organised an exciting range of external visitors to deliver a mixture of focus groups and skills workshops to take place during lunchtime in the learning resource centre and boardroom. Students participated in workshops on curriculum vitae and interview technique, Engineering apprenticeships with the Humberside Engineering and Training Association (HETA), Healthcare careers with the NHS, Morrisons Seafood, Franklin College, GIFHE and John Leggott College, Careers in the RAF and Careers is Law with John Barker Solicitors. All the students involved appreciated the first-hand experience gleamed from this employer contact and as a consequence are better prepared to navigate the myriad of choices they will face in the future.

Papa's Fish and Chips were also once again here to support our students as part of their 'Hospitality Programme.' Students gained first-hand experience of working with the professionals in the preparation of firstclass food. Thank you Papa's.

Finally, we need to say a big thank you to all of our external partners, without whom we would not be able to make our careers learning as exciting as it is. So 'thank you,' to all our supporters. If you would like to be involved in sharing your experience of working life with our students, please contact Craig Monaghan via the Academy office or website.

# Health and Wellbeing

During lockdown we have all been told the most important thing we can do is to stay at home. But it's also vital that we look after our physical and mental health. When we stay cooped up, we can start to feel sluggish, bored and miserable. However, there are so many things you can do to protect your health and wellbeing. Many fitness instructors, personal trainers and even our own sport and health department have taken to the internet to offer online workouts or classes that you can complete – all you need is yourself and some water.

Now we are able to meet friends outside (as long as we socially distance ourselves) there is a great opportunity for you to exercise together from simple things like taking a walk to playing a game of tennis. Now more than ever, we need our friends as it will boost our mental health – think of it as trying to be distantly social.

#### PRIDE Month and Competition Time

June is the month of Pride. A celebration of diversity and equality for our LGBT community.

Last year at the Academy we saw lots of fantastic ways in which we celebrated Pride month together. This year, you can do this at home! By printing off an ally flag that you can display at home, that Mr MacDonald has emailed to all students.

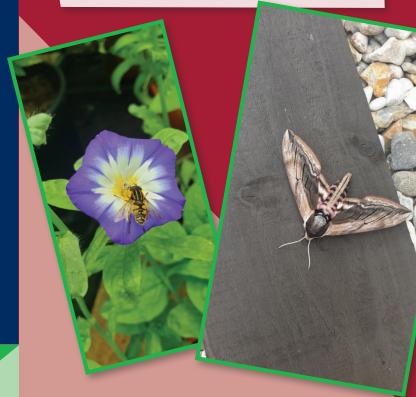
Mr MacDonald ran a competition to design a PRIDE poster. Well done to everyone who entered, the winner is... Grace Pawson! All entries will receive house points for their community.

Please visit www.oasisacademywintringham.org/uploaded/ Wintringham/Curriculum/OAW\_Pride\_Guide.pdf to find out about PRIDE Month 2020 at OAW!

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# Y7 Competition Winners

Congratulations to our Year 7 competition winners Mia Dance and Corey Foster! Thank you so much for all of your entries they were brilliant!



#### Year 8 'Lockdown and Me' Poetry Competition!

Ebonie Matthews won first place and Jessica Steel and Grace Smith are the runners up.

# Year 9 Competition!



Thank you to everyone that entered the Year 9 competition, there were some great entries! The winner for the Y9 competition is Paris Robinson and the runner up is Oliver Nunn. Well done!

## Year 10 Competition!

Thank you for all your fantastic entries, the winner is Isabelle Wilkins and her motto is, 'Positivity in Adversity'. Well done.

#### We Miss You All and Can't Wait to See You! Some Messages from Staff!

We miss you all. Take care and see you soon. Miss Wilkinson

Hi all, it seems far too long since we have been in the workshops problem solving and busily working on our products. I hope you are all well and keeping safe. Team DT & Computing are available to help and support you with vour virtual learning, so please message us if you need any advice. There are some great enrichment activities to keep your minds busy. Keep an eye out for the challenges and competitions too. Take care. Mrs Firth

Hi everyone! I am missing you all incredibly and really can't wait until we're all back together again. I hope you're all looking after yourselves and staying safe and well. Times are tough but remember that nothing lasts forever, and every day we are a step closer to being back to normal. You are all doing so well, even if it feels difficult. Keep smiling lovelies -I am thinking of you all every day! Miss Holmes

I hope you are all okay and keeping positive. Hopefully the sun will come out again for us all soon, as I am sick of this rain and I need my sun tan! Thinking of you all and can't wait to see you when we're allowed. Keep safe, keep in touch and keep going. Mr MacDonald

I hope you're looking after yourselves during these times. I'm really missing you all! Stay safe.

Mr Ramster

Hi there, missing you all. I hope you are well and using your time to learn new skills, broaden your horizons and support your family. Whether it be immersing yourselves in a book, using YouTube to learn how to write computer code, setting up a webpage or learning to speak in a foreign language: you can do so many things! Life is precious. Value it and love those around you. Take care. Mr Monaghan

Hi everyone, I hope you are all doing well and managing to make the most of the weather. I am missing all my classes and it's been lovely to hear from so many of you when returning work, you've all tried so hard. A special shout out to my cheerleaders who I am also missing immensely. You're all such a crazy bunch and I can't believe how much I am missing working with you every Thursday - you better not have forgot our routine! I know next year seems like such a long way away for us to see you all. I cannot wait to see how you've all grown and your crazy lockdown haircuts. Much love to you all. <u>Miss McDonough</u>

Thank you to all our students for keeping safe and well; you're doing brilliantly!! I'm missing you all and looking forward to us all being back together soon. Stay positive. Mrs Horton

Well boys and girls it's been a while

- Since I last saw my students' smile
- l miss you more each passing day
- And there's one thing I'd like to say
- I hope you're safe and taking care
- And soon in school we'll all be there!

Okay, so I'm no Dylan Thomas Mr Allard

I can't wait to see you again. I'm really missing giving out my favourite 'devoirs' to you all every week! Mrs Lucas

Hello to everyone! I hope that you are all well and staying safe. I am so looking forward to seeing you back in Science, take care. Miss Jones Hi everyone, I hope you are all safe and well. We are all missing you so much and cannot wait to see you again. Keep smiling and don't forget we are all in this together, so when you feel low make sure you speak up. We will be back together again soon and I am counting down the days! Mrs Clayton

Missing you all! It seems like a long time ago since we were all in school, and I am sure you are missing school as much as I am. It has been challenging for us all - striving to find ways to keep busy and active and keep our links to close friends and family - in these difficult times, being at home for long periods. The important thing is to continue staying positive and healthy and maybe take the opportunity to learn a new skill but most of all, continue to enjoy the time you have with your family. Take care, and stay safe! Mr Watson (Y9 Manager)

I am missing all your lovely smiles and I can't wait to see you all soon. Take care, stay safe. Mrs Gallacher

Hi, I hope you are all keeping safe and well!! Year 11, as you embark on this new chapter in your lives, I wish you every success in the future. Whatever your chosen career I'm sure you will work hard and reach your true potential. Wishing you good luck, good health and happiness always. Stay safe! Best wishes! Mrs Jacklin

Believe, Achieve,

Succeed

Hi all, I just wanted to say I am really missing you all and all the staff at OAW. I can't wait to be back teaching you all geography again soon. (I can hear you all shout 'yippee!') Miss Harries

To all ALPs Unit Students, I have been missing you terribly and look forward to seeing you in the future! Mrs Tynan

Hi everyone, thinking about you all! I hope you are all well and keeping safe. Keep up the hard work that you're all doing! Take care. Mrs Swaby

Missing you all, stay safe, see you soon. Mrs Coggan

Hello everyone! I hope you are all staying safe and keeping strong. Miss you all. Miss Gerisamova

I hope you are all well and are still keeping safe. I'm thinking of you all and missing you lots. I've been keeping myself busy with exercise, reading and watching lots of Netflix documentaries. I hope you have done some more fun things than I have! Remember, I am just an email away for any help with your work or just for a chat. I have loved receiving emails about some of your activities during lockdown, so keep them coming. **Miss Champion** 

We have missed you all so much! Hope you are all ok, remember we are here for you if you need us. Take care and stay safe, can't wait to see you all and catch up! Mrs and Miss Spencer

We can't wait to see you all back, keep working hard but most of all keep smiling. Miss Newham

I didn't know just how much I would miss you all. You are so important and make such an amazing difference to my life. Mrs Castle

I hope you are all well – we're all so impressed with how maturely you have handled this difficult time. Can't wait to see you all again soon! All the best. Mr Ravi

Hi everyone, I hope you're all doing well. We miss you loads! Keep working really hard, you're all doing amazingly well. I can't wait until we're all back together again. Keep smiling and stay safe. Miss McHugh

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