



ORMISTON SIX VILLAGES ACADEMY



12th November 2021

Dear Six Villages Community

Please find below this week's notices.

Remembrance

This week at school, students have had assemblies marking 100 years of the British Legion. Yesterday, the whole academy observed the Act of Remembrance including two minutes' silence in the courtyard. I would like to thank the students who participated in readings and Joshua for playing The Last Post.

In their History classes, some students have shown an interest in finding out if any of their relatives died in the service of Great Britain. We would like to direct any enquiring minds to the Commonwealth War Graves Commission website - <https://www.cwgc.org/find-records/find-war-dead/> - which has a search function where you can trace surnames and places of origin. This YouTube clip - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Owusmh19Dew> - gives a very useful tutorial on how to use the site.

Year 11 PPE Exams

The vast majority of exams are now complete. Some 'mop up' exams for students who have missed exams over the last two weeks will take place next week. The Drama exam has been rescheduled to Thursday 25th November and students have been advised of this.

The exams took place within exam conditions with invigilators to give students a real experience of what to expect in their actual public examinations in the summer term.

Dance Club

Please note that Tuesday after school dance club will not take place for the next two weeks. There are a number of other clubs students are welcome to attend instead.

Data Collection Sheets

Periodically we issue student data collection sheets to parents and carers to review and amend as necessary. It is very important that the academy holds accurate student data, particularly parent contact details. Year 11 data collection sheets were issued today and Year 10 and 8 sheets will be issued next week. Please review, sign and ask your child to return the sheet to reception as soon as possible.

Covid Vaccinations for 12-15 year olds

A confirmed date is now scheduled for a visit from the School Age Immunisation team on 22nd November. The information, including the link to the consent form, was issued to parents earlier this week and the documents are reattached with this letter. I would urge you to note the deadline for providing/not providing consent of **11am 1 working day before** the session, as this cannot be extended.

- If you would like your child to have the vaccination, please follow the link to confirm this.
- If you do not wish for your child to have the vaccination, please follow the link to confirm this.

Please note that there is no need to contact the academy to confirm non-consent. Our involvement in this is the provision of the venue.

Lateral Flow Testing

A reminder of the importance of twice weekly testing, particularly with cases rising currently. We are currently awaiting a delivery of home kits which will be distributed to students once received. Please note the importance of reporting the results of these tests on <https://www.gov.uk/report-covid19-result>.

Making Careers links

Before half term Mr Marsh asked parents and carers to share a series of questions over social media to find out which of your contacts would be willing to speak with students via video link about how their education links to their current career. Could you let me know if you had any success and share names, contacts and areas of expertise with me via email? My aim is to build up a bank of 'experts' that teachers can invite into their lessons for 10-20 minutes of video conferencing to share their pathways to employment with our students.

School Jumper

I must again reiterate that hoodies are not allowed to be worn. If a hoodie or non-uniform jumper is worn at school, it will be confiscated.

- On the first occasion, we will return it at the end of the day.
- If a further confiscation is necessary, the item will need to be collected by a parent, in line with our jewellery and mobile phone confiscation.

Due to the generosity and kindness of exiting year 11 students and parents of children who have outgrown their uniform, we have a large supply of freshly laundered spare uniform which can be loaned to students.

Vacancy

We have a current vacancy for a Cleaner. Hours are 3pm-6.30pm Monday-Friday. If you know of anyone who may be interested, please let them know that further information is available on our Trust Careers Page <https://oatcareers.co.uk/> reference NOV20215415.

Key Dates

17 th November	Macbeth Trip
23 rd November	Year 10 'A Christmas Carol' Theatre Trip
2 nd December	Year 12 Presentation Evening
6 th December	INSET day
8 th December	Christmas Concert
17 th December	Last day of term

Yours faithfully



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