

Ormiston SIX VILLAGES ACADEMY



20th July 2022

Dear Six Villages Community

I don't know about you, but I feel that this academic year has flown by! As the academic year draws to a close, I have to reflect on how far we have come out of Covid too. This time last year we were again preparing a lateral flow testing programme schedule. We are so thankful that we have been able to resume normality and enrich our students with a whole host of activities, some of which are postponed to September but will take place. It has been lovely to end the academic year with sports day and to see a healthy competitive spirit among our students too!

Newsletter

You can read more about all the events and activities students have participated in this term, in our final newsletter of the year. My thanks to Mrs Pegram and her team who compiled this.

Farewells and Welcomes

As always, the end of academic year is a time to say good-bye to staff who are moving on to pastures new and we thank them for their dedicated service during their time at Six Villages.

- Mr Stubbs, Head of English
- Mrs Emmerson, English teacher
- Mrs Williams, Catering teacher
- Miss Campbell, Maths teacher

In addition to these, Mrs Gavin has taken the very difficult decision to step down from her Director of Learning role and we owe her a debt of gratitude for the many years she has led year groups.

I am delighted to share new appointments for 2022-23 as follows:

- Mrs Sutton, Acting Head of English
- Miss Leo, English teacher
- Miss Searle, Maths teacher
- Miss Lloyd, Science teacher
- Mr Hoare, Year 8 Director of Learning
- Miss Kelsall, Year 7 Director of Learning
- Miss Trembath, HLTA
- Miss King, TA
- Mrs Skinner, Cover Supervisor
- Mrs Mouland, D&T Technician

We also welcome Mr Smith and Mr Febvre into the Music and Maths departments respectively, joining our teaching colleagues and we wish them well.

We are also looking to expand our Teaching Assistant team and welcome applications from experienced TAs and equally students on gap years before and after university. Further information will be available over the summer on the OAT careers page <u>https://oatcareers.co.uk/</u>.



Dates for the Diary

	INSET days: Thursday 1 st and Friday 2 nd September			
	First day of term:			
	Year 7 only:	Monday 5 th September		
Autumn term 2022	All years:	Tuesday 6 th September		
	Half term:	Monday 24 th October to Friday 28 th October		
	INSET Day:	Friday 25 th November (OAT wide)		
	Last day of term:	Friday 16 th December		
Winter break 2022-23	Monday 19 th December to Friday 30 th December (BH 26 th , 27 th Dec; 2 nd Jan)			
	INSET Day: Tuesday 3 rd January 2023			
	First day of term: Wednesday 4 th January 2022			
Spring term 2023	Half term:	rm: Monday 13 th February to Friday 17 th February		
	INSET Day:	Monday 20 th February		
	Last day of term: Friday 31 st March			
Easter break 2023	Monday 3 rd April to Friday 14 th April; Bank Holidays 7 th & 10 th April			
	First day of term: Monday 17 th April			
Summer term 2023	Bank Holiday:	Monday 1 st May		
	Half term:	Monday 29 th May to Friday 3rd June (BH 29 th May)		
	INSET Day:	Monday 30 th June		
	Last day of term:	Friday 21 st July		

INSET Days

1st September 2nd September 25th November 3rd January 20th February 30th June

Key Events by Year Group and Whole School

Year 7 Welcome evening presentation -		Thursday 8 th September, 6pm-7.30pm	
Year 7 Tutor meetings	-	Monday 31 st October	
Year 8 Camp	-	Monday 10 th -Wednesday 12 th July	
Year 9 Options Evening	-	Monday 30 th January	
Year 9 Mock Interviews (Careers)	-	Friday 2 nd December	
Year 9 NHS Enact	-	Wednesday 7 th December	
Year 10 Information evening & Futures fair		Monday 3 rd October, 6pm	
Year 10 Work Experience Launch	-	Monday 16 th January, 6pm	
Year 10 DofE	-	25 th & 26 th March & 22 nd and 23 rd April	
Year 10 PPE Information evening	-	Monday 27 th March, 6pm	
Year 10 PPE	-	Monday 15 th May-Friday 19 th May	
Year 10 Work Experience Week	-	Monday 3 rd July-Friday 7 th July	
Year 11 DofE	-	24 th & 25 th September (Y11)	
Year 11 PPE preparation & Futures fair	-	Monday 3 rd October, 6pm	
Year 11 November PPE	-	Monday 14 th November-Monday 28 th November (INSET 25/06)	
Year 11 March PPE	-	Monday 6 th March-Friday 10 th March	
Year 11 Prom	-	Thursday 29 th June	
Year 12 Presentation Evening	-	Tuesday 6 th December, 7pm	
Parents' Consultations (4pm-7pm)			

Year 7 Parents' Consultation-Monday 8th MayYear 8 Parents' Consultation-Monday 24th AprilYear 9 Parents' Consultation-Monday 6th FebruaryYear 10 Parents' Consultation-Monday 26th JuneYear 11 Parents' Consultation-Monday 9th January

Transition		
Year 5 Taster Sessions	-	13 th , 14 th , 15 th June, 3pm-4pm
<u>Year 6</u>		
Familiarisation Day	-	Monday 3rd July
Additional Transition Day	-	Tuesday 4 th July
Transition Day	-	Wednesday 5th July
Transition Parents' Meeting	-	Wednesday 5 th July, 6pm

Year 7 into Year 8 Trip to Out of Bounds

The Year 7 trip which was postponed due to this week's high temperatures will now take place on 13th September.

Year 8 into Year 9 trip to Thorpe Park

This trip, also postponed due to this week's extreme heat, will proceed on 15th September.

Parent Voice

It was lovely to be joined recently by parents and carers to discuss uniform and enrichment. Other parents and carers have requested another session on the subject of uniform in particular and I will therefore be hosting a further parent voice session on **Monday 12th September** at **6pm.** I will be covering other topics too, so the parents and carers who attended the last one are warmly invited to attend again.

Parent voice sessions will be held termly. The Spring term 2023 session will be on **23rd January** and the Summer term 2023 session will be on **15th May.** Please save the dates.

Support to families during the holiday

Should any parent or carer need advice or support during the summer break, the following links which are also available on the website, may be useful

NSPCC

Share Aware campaign (NSPCC)

West Sussex County Council: Education, children and families

West Sussex Safeguarding Children Partnership

Online safety & the role of parents - advice from the London Grid for Learning

Counter Terrorism Internet Referral Unit (CTIRU) - report terrorism-related content

talktofrank.com - friendly, confidential drugs advice, including downloadable guides for parents/carers

I cannot end the academic year without expressing heartfelt thanks to you all for your continuous support. I wish you all a relaxing summer break and look forward to welcoming your children back on Tuesday 6th September (Monday 5th September for our new Year 7 intake).

Yours faithfully

Paul Slaughter Principal