

Getting our colour on for a good cause

ORMISTON Six Villages Academy, in Westergate, has raised over £1.8k for the Macmillan Cancer Support and a nominal amount has contributed to the Year 11 prom fund through a fun-filled Colour Run.

Buzzing with excitement, games, and paint, students and staff at the school took part in the vibrant Colour Run to raise money for important causes.

The students were tasked with a Colour Run obstacle course where they ran laps of the school field, crawled through nets, and tackled an inflatable obstacle course, all whilst being enveloped in colourful paint powder.

On the first and second lap, students were all sprayed down with water, and on the third lap the colourful powders were thrown at them, quickly turning white t-shirts into a messy canvas.

Friends and peers came together to cheer each



other on, as those braving the course took on vibrant hues all in the name of fun and raising money for a good cause.

The event was such a success that the school is

already planning upcoming events to continue supporting its local community through exciting fundraising projects.

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Hello and welcome to the OSVA Times! A school newspaper written by you, for you.

We welcome any contributions or ideas for input, so please get in touch.

We welcome new members to join the club.
Please come to English 4 on Thursday lunchtime.

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Mr Slaughter, Principal at Ormiston Six Village Academy, said: "It was lovely to see students participating in this fun event as we approach the end of another amazing academic year at Six Villages."

"We raised an incredible amount of money for such an important cause. We are very proud of the commitment and passion our students showed.

"I'd like to say a huge thank you to our community for helping to organise such an incredible event. We're looking forward to hosting many more fundraising initiatives in the new school year!"



OSVA joins the movement for healthier food choices

By Farah B

Our school was involved in the “Bite Back” campaign, a “youth activism movement” that challenges a system created by food companies to fool consumers. Our catering manager, Ms Moffatt, began by leading an assembly spreading awareness of the movement to students, outlining how the push on advertising unhealthy food choices targets them, especially as young people.



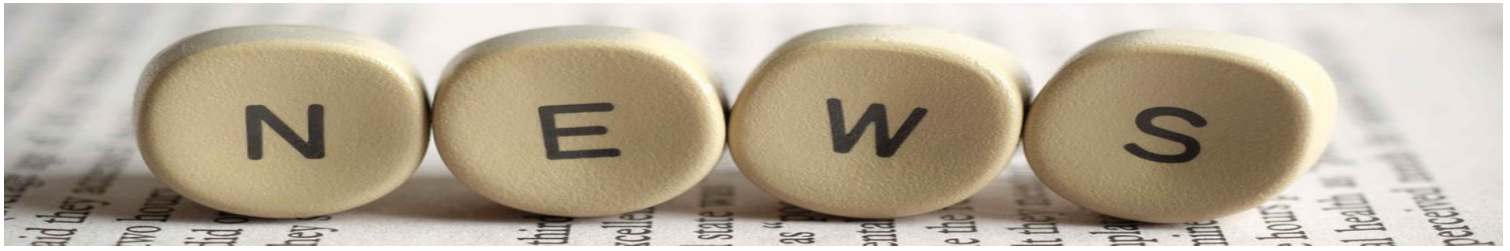
Students were also involved in discussion about healthier meal options available to them and how to identify misleading information on both food packages and advertisements. It was an informative experience that educated many and inspired them to take action against the rigged marketing system found in food sales.



To play our part in this, numerous students across Years 7 to 10 took on the challenge of preparing a delicious yet nutritious dinner with multiple courses for both members of staff and the wider community.

Accompanied with a music venue for entertainment, our leading Year 10 Catering students, Charlie B, Katherine B, Brooke S and Sophia P put in a tremendous effort behind the scenes with the catering team at the Gate Theatre to ensure the event was a success. The guests had nothing less of a splendid time and enjoyed all the dishes. Students involved enjoyed putting their teamwork and time management skills to the test as well as promoting an important message.





A magical time watching A Midsummer's Night Dream

By Farah B

The Year 7s had the summer treat of Shakespeare,

as they collected upon blankets on the field to watch a production of "A Midsummer Night's Dream", which they have spent the term studying in

English. It was a very successful afternoon granted by Quantum Theatre who produced a fun-filled and entertaining performance during the lovely weather. After being transcended away to a world featuring Titania the magical fairy queen and the mischievous trickster Puck, Year 7 students had nothing less than great things to say about their time.

One student said "It was really funny, and I really enjoyed being outside for it". Another one stated that "The play was really good. I loved Bottom the donkey and the music!".



Perfect day out to Portsmouth for librarians!

Ms Barkworth had the pleasure of taking our fantastic team of student librarians on a special trip to Portsmouth.

They started with a visit to Waterstones, where students carefully handpicked a fantastic range of new books to enrich our school library. The team are excited to share these fresh additions with the rest of the school community very soon!

Later, the librarians attended the prestigious Portsmouth Longer Novel Award ceremony. This year's winner, Mark Illis, author of Running Away for Beginners, gave an inspiring talk about how his personal experiences—particularly with teenage cancer—have shaped his writing. He also spoke passionately about the importance of character development in storytelling, sparking thoughtful questions from our students during the Q&A session.

Special congratulations go to Sophie G, who was proudly awarded the title of Six Villages Reading Champion 2025 and recieved a certificate in her recognition.



Students share the love of literature

By Farah B

Our amazing librarian, Ms Barkworth is organising a both exciting and creative opportunity for any student to present their favourite book.

With a survey launched last term, many amazing books have been added to our "Library Tree". However it is still a work in progress - Speak to or contact Ms Barkworth to add YOUR recommendation!

Enriching student's lives with activities to excel confidence

Students were treated to numerous activities as a special reward this term.

As part of an enrichment programme, designed to build students' confidence, pupils were given the opportunity to take part in a special timetable for the day.

Years 7, 8, 9 and 10 all had the chance to try their hand at laser tag and rock climbing, as well as other games where they had to work as a team.

The school field was divided into sections where an external company brought a giant inflatable course, complete with smoke machine and laser guns for students to play in tutor group teams against one another.

The laser guns held points and showed scores, which were also displayed on a screen outside for the other teams to see.

Students also enjoyed a climbing wall which was set up on a playground area. Students rotated across the four different sides of the 24-foot wall to test their perseverance and agility.

One student commented: "I really enjoyed competing against my mates on the climbing wall. The best part was if we got to the top on all four courses, the instructors made it more difficult, by telling us to only use certain coloured climbing holds."

Team building activities included creating a hand-held pipe with tubing and flowing a ball along, emptying buckets of plastic balls into another bucket, holding strings and tug of war.

A calming art activity for the groups involved drawing a pop art portrait in the style of famous artist, Keith Haring to create a giant piece of art work for each form group.



Important days on our calendars!

By Sophie Q

13th August - Left hander's day

This day is observed across the world to honour the amazing left-handed people in a world mostly of right-handers. It was created to celebrate the 10% of the world's population that relies on their left hand to do most tasks. It is also important, as it raises awareness about the struggles of left-handed people and encourages businesses to adapt everyday objects and make them left-handed friendly.



21st September - International Day of Peace

It is a United Nations holiday for the end of war and conflict, and the promotion of world peace. This is also a day dedicated to those who promote peace in violence infested zones by providing humanitarian aid. On this day, UN countries declare a ceasefire for the day, personally and politically.



11th October - National Coming Out Day

This day is observed every year to advocate for the LGBTQ+ community, raising awareness about their rights and aims to fight against homophobia. Whether someone decides to come out or not and when they want to, it is their choice. However, this day encourages people who identify as part of this amazing community to come out and those who surround them to embrace them as they are with love and respect.

This is also a day for LGBTQ+ people to be out and proud, to display the community's symbols, like the pride rainbow flag.

1st November - World Vegan Day

This day is observed annually to highlight the evolution of veganism from a dietary trend to mainstream lifestyle choice. This day shows the benefits of choosing a cruelty-free lifestyle and raises awareness about animal rights and promotes the many advantages of enjoying a plant-based lifestyle. As more people recognize the ethical, health, and ecological advantages of this lifestyle, the day encourages individuals to consider the impact of their food choices on the planet and its inhabitants.

10th December - Human Rights Day

This is an international United Nations holiday that aims to spread awareness about Human Rights across the world and encourage people to call out and fight for their rights, regardless of where they are from. This day also celebrates the anniversary of the adoption of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights on the 10th December, 1948.

ASK THE STAFF IN 10!

In this issue, we speak to Ms Moffatt

1. What is your job role/title in the school and what made you choose your job?

I work as Catering manager, I like supporting the students and its a job that fits around looking after kids!

2. What's the best thing about your job?

Seeing the students every day

3. When you were younger, what did you want to be when you grew up?

I wanted to be a prison warden

4. What was your favourite subject at school and why?

English, because I loved the teacher I had!



5. What would students be surprised to know about you?

That I used to be a director of a chain of cocktail bars in central London, I'm also married to Tony who works on the premises team.

6. What is your dream holiday?

To the Galapagos Islands

7. If you won the lottery what would be the first thing you would buy?

A nice holiday with all of my friends.

8. What is your favourite book and/or film?

The John Wicks series

9. What makes a good day at school?

Kindness and consideration towards each other, both to students and staff.

10. If you could pass on any wisdom to students, what would it be?

To live every day as if you own it!!

POETRY

BREAK FREE BY SOPHIE G.



THE SHACKLES AND CHAINS THAT
TRAPPED ME ARE DOWN HAVE FINALLY
BEEN REMOVED, ALLOWING ME TO
TAKE AN UNHINDERED BREATH OF
FRESH, NEWLY FOUND FREEDOM.
ALL THE STRESS, ANXIETY AND
OVERWHELMING DISTRAUGHT HAS
DISSOLVED. NOW THAT THERE IS NO
LONGER ANY RESPONSIBILITIES BEING
DROPPED ON MY TIRED SHOULDERS.
FINALLY, I'M FREE FROM THE
NEGATIVITY THAT FOLLOWED THE
RESPONSIBILITIES AND EXPECTATIONS
THAT HAUNTED ME EVERY SECOND
AND NOTHING COULD RID ME OF IT.
NOTHING IS BETTER THAN THIS RELIEF.
I CAN'T EXPLAIN THE SENSE OF
ACHIEVEMENT THAT I BATHE IN AT
THE EXPULSION OF ALL OF IT THAT
HELD ME BACK – IT'S AMAZING.

POETRY

SUMMER

BY SOPHIE G



BRING THE BRIGHT LUMINESCENCE
AND THE WIDE, OPEN SKY
IN COPIOUS SHADES OF BLUE.
FIND THE SECRET NOOKS FROM THE
PAST AND MAKE MEMORIES THERE
AGAIN.

ENJOY THE RELAXATION AND THE
EXCITEMENT OF FREEDOM
FROM THE HEAVY BURDENS
THAT HAVE BEEN CARRIED FOR
SO LONG.

SUMMER IS FLEETING,
SUMMER IS PRECIOUS,
SUMMER IS A RAY OF HOPE INSIDE
EVERYONE'S HEARTS.

Afterpiece on Joseph

BY EVRIN S

Throughout this academic year, our academy has been putting tremendous effort into rehearsing for our production of Joseph and the Amazing Technicoloured Dreamcoat.

Finally, on the 25th and 26th June, these were preformed to a paying audience! After the show, there have been two smaller performances of some of the best songs ; one to residents of the local care homes, and one to the upcoming year sevens.

The show featured a full cast of unique characters, from Jacob and his twelve sons to a set of narrators and an Elvis inspired Pharaoh! These characters were played by a range of students from year seven to ten, alongside an incredible dance crew, and an incredibly hardworking set of people backstage. The show was set in Canaan and Egypt, with many of the props and set handmade by our school!

We spoke to a member of the audience, who came to watch the show on both nights. They said, "It was amazing! The whole performance was so professional, very entertaining, and just a lot of fun! I think everyone did fantastically and put on a great show!"

Johnathan in year 7, who played the iconic Pharaoh, said "One of my favourite things was the costumes. They really fit every character and highlighted their personality." We also asked him what his favourite song from the show was, to which he responded, "Song Of The King! It was very upbeat, very fast paced. The voice and tone were great, I loved everything about it!"



Huxley in year 9, who starred as Joseph himself, told us, "The highlight of the show was the cast and crew! There were people there who I had never spoken to and wouldn't have become friends without Joseph. So that was the highlight, meeting some new people and having fun together!"

We asked Huxley what his favourite numbers from the show were, and he said, "That's a tough one, there were lots of great ones! Close Every Door was good, as it was hard to learn, so doing it was like 'Wow! We did this!', so that was very cool! Song Of The King was very fun because everyone could dance to it. Everyone enjoyed that one, and it was a huge deal! I'll say one more, Poor, Poor, Joseph where the Ishmaelites come in, because a lot happened, the music was great, and it introduced lots to the show!"



Finally, we asked what Huxley would tell someone considering doing the next show; "I'd say do it! You're not going to get many opportunities to do a high school show, and it's so much fun! There are so many things to do.

You can do backstage, you can act, you can sing and dance! Whatever you want to do, you can apply it!"

Take some time to
relax create and
connect

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for our

Join us for a
calming,
creative space
where you are
free to unwind
and express
yourself

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- ✦ beading & crafts
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Sloth Universe

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Battle of Memes

By Hudson



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Chatty By Hudson





By Farah B

Upon a July's day at OSVA, our school enjoyed the thrill of teamwork and test of physical ability on our annual Sports Day! Students began the day with time spent in tutors, where they gathered handmade supportive posters and banners before heading out onto the field. Yrs 7 to 10 rotated around both contrasting and competitive activities, including End Ball, Tug of War, running races, discus, javelin, shotput and both high & long jump.



It was a magical day with students demonstrating all academy values as well having their own music

recommendations played throughout the day! Staff got involved too, with Mr Kidd saying, "I like seeing all the kids outside having fun outside the classroom environment." and Mrs Goacher stating that she "gets to spend the whole day with my tutor group. They are doing so well!"





As the day continued, students bonded together as a community and were friendly to all members of the academy whilst going to different events.

Many found their own motivations for being ambitious in their competitions, such as Emilio in Year 10 who said, “I did field events, and I chose this because I do athletics so I thought it would be fitting for me to do it.” Our school prides itself in having activities to help students improve in their strengths. Sports Day was enjoyable for Jonah in Year 7 as “It’s fun and inclusive!”



This was all thanks to our hardworking staff who organised teams, kept track of their scores and ensured the day was lively for all participants! It was an unforgettable day with many incredible moments. OSVA’s Sports Days are nothing less than a privilege that is prevalent to all of us year after year.

Results on the next pages!





SPORTS DAY WINNERS

Congratulations to M for winning sports day overall!

Letter Winners:

1st – M 1,042 points

2nd – R 1,030 points

3rd – S 986 points

4th – O 948 points

5th – T 944 points





Tutor Groups:

Year 7:

1st – 7S 279 points
2nd – 7O 278 points
3rd – 7R 275 points
4th – 7M 240 points
5th – 7T 215 points

Year 9:

1st – 9M 325 points
2nd – 9S 293 points
3rd – 9O 230 points
4th – 9T 208 points
5th – 9R 186 points

Year 8:

1st – 8R 328 points
2nd – 8M 256 points
3rd – 8O 254 points
4th – 8T 230 points
5th – 8S 192 points

Year 10:

1st – 10T 291 points
2nd – 10R 241points
3rd - 10M and 10S 222
points
5th – 10O 186 points





Mountbatten Championships

The KS3 Athletic team competed in the district championships at Mountbatten stadium in Portsmouth on Thursday 26th of June.

Our standout athletes were:

Mila Dobson winning 70m Hurdles.
Alfie Luxford winning 1200m with the new Y7 record
Tom Ashton won Y8 shot put.
Zachary Dalmon came 2nd in Discus throw.
Molly Daines came 2nd in High Jump.
William Terry came 3rd in 100m and 200m.
Emily Guildwell 2nd in Triple jump.

Results for each team are

Y7 Girls 8th
Y7 Boys 4th
Y8 Girls 3rd
Y8 Boys 3rd



All athletes performed amazingly in all events and conducted themselves incredibly throughout the day; we continue to improve our school performance at Mountbatten each year. Some of our students have even been asked to join the Chichester Running Club and are through to the regional championship at the K2 Stadium at the end of July.