

# Endeavour

## Highlights from around the Academy



### Message from our Principal, Ms Sam Penn

A huge well done and good luck to all our Year 10 and 11 students who are at the moment involved in their Mock examinations.

At this time of year there are many activities taking place in the Academy - we would love to see you at our Christmas Concert.

It is lovely to see so many amazing pieces of students' work here and congratulations to Kerry-Anne Allen 8MCS for winning the Christmas card competition.

The weather is set to get colder so now is a good time to remind ourselves of the procedures - please see page 11.

Have a fantastic Christmas with your family and friends.

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# ENDEAVOUR NEWS

## HOUSE NEWS

Adlington

Redgrave

Holmes

### Christmas cards and Festive Hampers

It's been another packed half term with the students in each house taking part in raising money for Children in Need and gaining lots of Vivos!

Recently we had a "Design the Academy Christmas card" competition and we had a fantastic range of entries. After much deliberation the Art department decided that the overall winner was Kerry-Ann Allen, 8 MCS and the runners up were Louie Tricker in 8 MCS and Laura Elliot in 7 DSL.

Next Wednesday we have our annual Xmas concert and there will also be stalls selling festive items and mince pies and punch. Tickets are now on sale from the front office and Ambassadors will be selling tickets during form time. We are really proud of our talented students in every house.

At the moment all form groups are collecting food items for the Christmas hampers for the local senior citizens. All donations of items of the hampers need to be in by Tuesday 9th December and handed in to form tutors. We really appreciate your support with this.

Merry Christmas  
Mrs Baker  
Vice Principal

Winner of the Christmas card  
competition  
Kerry-Anne Allen 8MCS



Runner up Laura Elliot 7DSL



Runner up Louie Tricker 8 MCS

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## Children in Need

Friday 14th November 2014

This year our students took part in raising money for children in need. Lots of students came in dressed as their favourite hero and we even had a Pudsey bear!

Well done to all who took part and helped to raise..... £341



Congratulations to James Rashleigh 8MCS who came 1st in a local Karate competition at Northgate Sports Centre with his amazing "Jump Round Kick".

"Hunter Gatherer Explorer" Photography/Art Exhibition by Miss Christmas Art/Photography Teacher and Practising Artist, at the Tea Room Gallery, Ipswich Town Hall

Tues-Sat, 2nd Dec - 3rd Jan. 10am - 4pm



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**Year 8 Football Team**

The year 8 football team travelled to Alde Valley High School Leiston for the second round of the cup in October.

A fantastic start to the game ensued with OEA piling the pressure on Alde Valley which led to the opener from Ben Carter. Ben then doubled the lead 5 mins later to make it 2-0. Ben was then the creator for Jady Pennock who also grabbed a brace to make it 4-0. George Sproats then finished the rout to make it 5-0 a result which was thoroughly deserved. The game was played very sportingly by both teams with handshakes at the end. We now face a tough away trip to a London-based school for our 4th round fixture!

Goal scorers: Ben Carter 2, Jady Pennock 2 and George Sproats 1.

## Functional Snooker

The year 7 winners of 'The Snooker Project' in maths had two hours of functional snooker with professional snooker coach, Andrew Highfield.

The deserving students played a range of snooker games on the 4 new snooker tables located in the maths department. These included the 60 second challenge and functional snooker.

Shay Arslan won the 60 second challenge by potting 6 balls within the time limit. Annie Carter came close behind with 5 balls which was a tremendous effort since it was her first time playing the game.

Functional Snooker is a game played with numbered balls so that the players have to add, subtract, multiply and divide as they pot more and more balls, generating scores in the hundreds.

Functional snooker, snooker and pool are available for everyone on Monday lunch time, Wednesday after school and Thursday after school. All students are invited to come along and play.



## **Breaking News - Breaking News - Breaking News - Breaking News - Breaking News** **Update 3rd December**

The Year 8 Team beat Bethnal Green away at Hackney Marshes last night after being 3-0 down at half time they turned it around to 3-3. They then saw out extra time and beat them on penalties heading into the 5th round and one step away from the quarter finals of the small schools cup.

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Some beautiful examples of what our GCSE Art students achieved in their Mock Exam on the theme of "Order, Disorder". They worked hard for 4 weeks preparing ideas, research and experimentation in their sketchbooks, developing a journey that lead to their Final Piece.



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## Endeavour remembers

On November 11th, the Endeavour Ambassadors represented the school at the Armistice day service at the Cenotaph in Christchurch park in Ipswich.

On a bright yet windy day the park gradually began to fill with ex servicemen, pupils from different schools and members of the public to remember all the servicemen and women who have lost their lives in conflicts around the world.

Rose Gant did the first reading that she had chosen herself and then along with students from Westbourne and Stoke Academies, read out a list of all the major conflicts that have happened since the end of WW1.

Chloe Pearce and James Rashleigh laid a wreath of poppies from all the students and staff at Endeavour and Mrs Baker and Mrs Clarke were very proud of all our Ambassadors.

At school everyone took part in remembering our fallen service men and women with one minute's silence. All of year seven and eight also painted a poppy each and these are displayed in the hall for all to see.

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Megan Mason 7CCK - Beechwood  
Spatula



Louise Wade 8CEL- Balance Toy

Ben McGinn 7DSL  
Beechwood Spatula



Examples of some of the  
great work our Years 7, 8  
and 9 are producing in  
Design Technology.

Soma cube puzzle by Peter Strong 9CLN



## Christmas Lunch - Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> December 2014

The cost of the lunch is £3.30. The menu planned is:

**Roast Turkey & stuffing, chipolatas, sprouts, roast potatoes, carrots, peas and gravy**



**Vegetarian option: Quorn roast plus vegetables**

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**Christmas pudding and custard or vanilla and chocolate Christmas ice cream**

To help with the organisation of serving this meal, we are asking for a cash pre-payment. Tickets can be purchased from the Canteen any break or lunchtime from Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December, 2014 until Friday 12<sup>th</sup> December, 2014. These tickets must be produced on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> December. Students entitled to a free school meal will automatically receive their lunch on the day. The normal lunch menu will not be available on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> December, 2014

# ENDEAVOUR STARS

Ryan Cook & Mollie Wright - brilliant Art

Xavier Last for his positive attitude in ICT

Rhys Allen for putting a lot of extra time into his Art work

Alisha Ford and Avril Bethell who have produced some excellent work in Maths

Amy Ridley for gaining an A\* in an Ethics end of unit test

Honor Quinton for an outstanding piece of PSHE homework

Jordan Bigmore for excellent work and a positive attitude in IT

Chloe Fulcher has worked hard and concentrated well in Photography

Nicole Manners - excellent work and a positive attitude in ICT

Lewis Bannon for his excellent work in English

For all Cross Country runners - well done for completing the course



Imogen Potter has a very positive attitude and determination to do well in her GCSEs

Liam Neal has made an enthusiastic start to Catch-up and Lexia

Rahul Deb & Ben Cox excellent Frequency Analysis in maths

Jack Arden for working hard in IT

Bryony Gooch has a positive attitude in ICT

Amy Ridley for fantastic homework using the QUADRATIC FORMULA!

Beth Harper for Maths intervention

$$x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$$

Wiktoria Szerszen & Sana Fathima for being brilliant **CODEBREAKERS!**

Tommy Bradshaw - Drama Club



Summer Hitter for making a superb effort in a recent gym lesson



Abbie McLaughlin for the excellent standards she has set herself

The following students for working in Art after school:

Bethany Hetherington  
Reece Giles



Caysie Robinson for producing high quality coursework in Graphic Products

Caitlin, Gabby, Hannah, Caysie, Adele and Rose - Thank you for your support on a great 'Learning Together Evening'

Callum Vinyard excellent work in ICT

Joshua Kennell for excellent work in French



Cornell Godbold for his fantastic effort in English

Gabriela Ostas had made a great effort in Ethics



# ENDEAVOUR NEWS

## Anti-Bullying Month

Last term we conducted a parental survey and found that some parents were concerned about bullying. We decided to tackle this in a range of ways.

We have an excellent pastoral team who support our students and the big red button of the Endenet that students can leave a message via if they are worried about anything. We also have our Endeavour peer mentors who support the younger year groups with friendship issues and any concerns they have.

To ensure that all students know how to support each other and raise awareness of the issues surrounding bullying we have taken part in the Anti-bullying month. This has involved assemblies led by the Ambassadors, Action works anti-bullying road show that years 7 to 10 watched, as well as discussions in form time and PSHE on how to deal with any of the issues that surround bullying. We will continue throughout the year to ensure all students are supported and know where to go when they have any concerns.

We value your opinions. If you would like to share any views in the future, there are several ways to contact us: email [a.baker@oeacademy.co.uk](mailto:a.baker@oeacademy.co.uk), attend our half-termly Parents' Forum or phone in.

Together we can continue to make Endeavour the best we can possibly be.



Year Nine taking part in the Anti-bullying actionworks road show.



We will once again be collecting food items to fill some hampers for the local elderly residents. Any donations that your child could bring in to fill their form's hamper would be very much appreciated.

Examples of hamper items:

- Tinned food
- Biscuits
- Chocolates
- Mince pies
- Xmas puddings
- Dried fruit



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## Learning together evening



"What did you do today at school?" Is the usual question that we ask our children. In response however, teenagers don't always give a very full or clear picture about what they have been doing! To support parents in understanding what an Endeavour lesson is like and to give parents a chance to learn alongside their child, we have set up the Learning together evenings.

We had our first evening just before half term and year seven and a member of their family were invited in to take part in: felt making, a music workshop, web banner design, scone making, pin hole cameras or spatula making.

We had a fantastic evening working and learning together and everyone who took part thoroughly enjoyed themselves and all learnt a new skill!

We will be running our next evening after Christmas in Science and P.E. and we will be inviting year 8 along with year 7 to take part. We look forward to seeing as many of you as possible learning together.



# IMPORTANT DATES/EVENTS FOR YOUR DIARY

- |                               |                                              |
|-------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|
| <b>Friday 12th December</b>   | - Year 7-11 Interim Reports issued           |
| <b>Thursday 18th December</b> | - Mock GCSE Results Day                      |
| <b>Friday 19th December</b>   | - Wow Day                                    |
| <b>Friday 19th December</b>   | - 14.40 Academy closes for Christmas Holiday |
| <b>Monday 5th January</b>     | - CPL Day                                    |
| <b>Tuesday 6th January</b>    | - CPL Day                                    |
| <b>Wednesday 7th January</b>  | - Students return for the Spring Term        |
| <b>Tuesday 20th January</b>   | - Parents' Forum at 6 p.m.                   |
| <b>Friday 23rd January</b>    | - Year 11 Reports issued                     |
| <b>Friday 30th January</b>    | - Year 10 Reports issued                     |
| <b>Thursday 12th February</b> | - Year 10 Parents' Evening at 4.30 p.m.      |
| <b>Friday 13th February</b>   | - Academy closes for Half Term               |
| <b>Monday 23rd February</b>   | - Students return from Half Term holiday     |
| <b>Thursday 26th February</b> | - Years 8,9 & 10 Op ons evening at 4.30 p.m. |
| <b>Friday 13th March</b>      | - Red Nose Day-civvies day                   |
| <b>Tuesday 17th March</b>     | - Parents' Forum at 6 p.m.                   |
| <b>Thursday 19th March</b>    | - Year 8 Parents' Evening at 4.30 p.m.       |
| <b>Thursday 19th March</b>    | - Year 9 & 10 Op ons drop-in                 |
| <b>Friday 27th March</b>      | - Academy closes for Easter Holiday          |
| <b>Monday 30th March</b>      | - Academy open for Year 11 students for      |
| to                            | revision and support                         |
| <b>Thursday 2nd April and</b> |                                              |
| <b>Tuesday 7th April</b>      | - Academy open to Year 11 students for       |
| to                            | revision and support                         |
| <b>Friday 10th April</b>      |                                              |
| <b>Monday 13th April</b>      | - CPL Day                                    |
| <b>Tuesday 14th April</b>     | - Students return for the Summer Term        |

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## **Academy Closure in Bad Weather**

### **Advice for 2014/15**

Please be assured that we will endeavour to open and remain open wherever possible, but we have to be mindful of health and safety requirements, both on site and on the journey to and from the academy site.

#### **SEVERE WEATHER**

In the event of severe weather setting in during the day and it being necessary to close the academy, we will contact you by text message.

**IT IS ESSENTIAL THAT WE HAVE A DAYTIME EMERGENCY TELEPHONE NUMBER WHERE YOU, OR ANOTHER NOMINATED ADULT, MAY BE CONTACTED.**

Should we need to make a decision to close before the end of the school day, the Local Education Authority will contact radio stations in the area, who will broadcast the information. We would advise you to listen to early morning radio broadcasts if severe weather is apparent or predicted.

- **BBC Radio Suff lk will give regular bulletins at 10 minutes past and 20 minutes to the hour.**  
[http://www.bbc.co.uk/suff\\_lk/local\\_radio/index.shtml](http://www.bbc.co.uk/suff_lk/local_radio/index.shtml) frequencies 95.5, 95.9, 103.9 and 104.6 FM
- **Heart FM will give bulletins at 15 minutes past and 15 minutes to the hour.**  
[www.heart.co.uk](http://www.heart.co.uk)
- **Information will also appear on the following websites:**  
ormistonendeavouracademy.co.uk <http://schoolclosures.suolk.gov.uk>

A decision to close the academy will be taken on a day-to-day basis. However, we will open the next day following closure unless a notice is posted to the contrary with BBC Radio Suff lk (see above) and on the School Closures website (see above) or on our own website [ormistonendeavouracademy.co.uk](http://ormistonendeavouracademy.co.uk)

As many members of academy staff do not live within the local area, it may not be possible for them to get to the academy. It is possible that we would make a decision to close the school on this basis. As you will appreciate, we must have a sufficient number of staff members to ensure the safety of the students.

#### **OTHER CLOSURES**

If there are other emergency reasons that require the academy to be closed, we will contact local radio stations, and make contact with you or the transport used to convey your child to school. We will also attempt to contact you via text message. In the event of the academy closing during the school day, we will send children home only when we know someone is available to receive them.

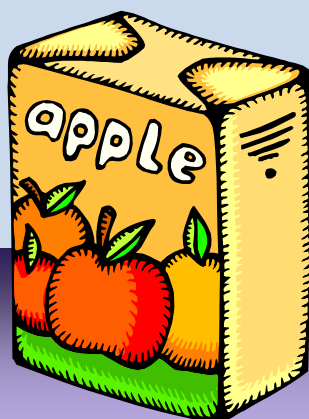
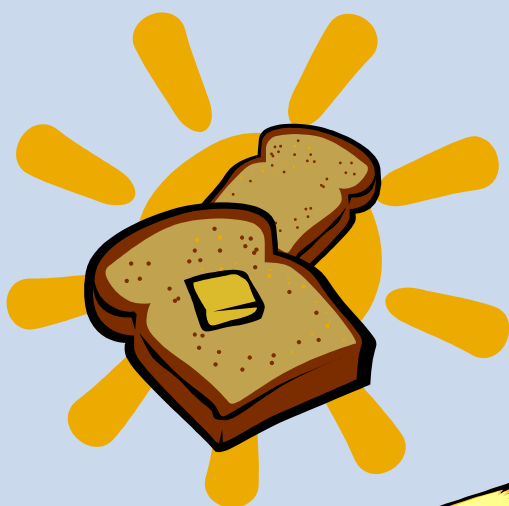
We recommend that you ensure that you send your children into school with warm coats, hats, scarves and gloves as we do still encourage students to go outside during the winter at break and lunch times if the weather permits.

## Breakfast Club



**Come and get your day started with  
a free selection of breakfast items such as:  
fruit, cereals, apple juice, orange juice and toast  
with a variety of spreads**

**Every day 8.00 - 8.30 a.m.**

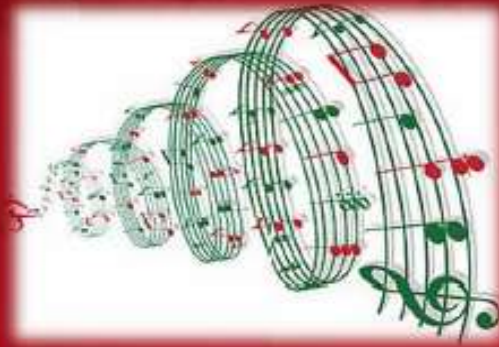


# AN EVENING OF CHRISTMAS

## ENTERTAINMENT

**WEDNESDAY 10<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER, 6.30pm**  
*Tickets available from the school reception*  
**£2 adults, £1 children,**  
**family ticket 2 adults & up to 3 children £5**

Join us at Ormiston Endeavour Academy for an evening of Christmas entertainment with performances from our talented students. Enjoy Christmas shopping with a variety of stalls, a glass of Christmas punch and mince pies.





## *Have a Merry E-safe Christmas!*

This Christmas you may be thinking about buying your child a new tablet, smart phone or gaming device. According to Ofcom, seven out of ten 8 -15yr olds have a game console in their bedroom.

We are all for proactive parenting and testing out new devices that have internet access beforehand will help to avoid any potential on line issues. Here is some handy advice to consider:

- Make sure you have checked out the safety tools available on any new devices purchased for this Christmas. It helps if you are able to set up the device so you will feel empowered to support your child to use technology responsibly
- Many devices have internet access and are subject to the same risks as a PC or tablet.
- Check the Terms and Conditions for any new smartphone contract. What's the monthly allowance? How much will it cost if your child goes over the limit set?
- Talk to your child about safe and responsible use and agree and set family rules. Remember that with all devices any chat room conversation may not be with the person they think it is. Remind them to NEVER meet someone they have met via a chat room or gaming situation.
- The internet is not all bad! Remember it is an invaluable, creative resource to support their learning and safe and structured use will help to avoid the hazards.
- Keep all tablets and phones out of bedrooms at bed time. This means you know they can get a good, uninterrupted night's sleep.
- The lower age limit for most social networking sites is 13.
- Check the age limit on online gaming sites and Xbox/DS/Playstation games. The age limits are set carefully to ensure your child is only viewing appropriate content.
- Safe search settings for search engines like Google can be activated. Find out more at [google.co.uk/safetycentre](http://google.co.uk/safetycentre).

For more advice and support take a look at the following free online resources available for parents, carers and young people:

[www.saferinternet.org.uk/advice-and-resources](http://www.saferinternet.org.uk/advice-and-resources)

[internetmatters.org](http://internetmatters.org)

[google.co.uk/safetycentre](http://google.co.uk/safetycentre)