

Parent Bulletin – 17th September 2021

It has been a hugely exciting and busy start to the new academic year. It was lovely to finally welcome parents onto the new site for the Year 7, 8 and 11 Information evenings, and we hope to see many more of you for the Year 9 and 10 evenings next week.

Stonewall! **SCHOOL & COLLEGE CHAMPION AWARDS GOLD 2021/23**

Ormiston Endeavour Academy has received the Stonewall Champion Gold Award. This is in recognition of our work to promote equality and diversity within the LGBTQ+ community. To achieve this award the portfolio of evidence across a range of areas must be scored at 54 marks out of a possible 70. We achieved 64!

This week our students have been benefitting from an exciting new partnership with Northampton Saints Rugby Club. Josh Sharp from the club has been in the Academy working with students and coaching them through their PE lessons. It has been fantastic to have someone who plays at such a level working with our students.



Our new Academy sign went up this week marking the final stages of the 5 year, £15.5 million building programme. With a few little pieces of work to be finished off we are very much looking forward to making full use of all the new facilities next week. The completion of the project will mean all parents and visitors will be able to use the main entrance, visitor parking and access the Academy from the new driveway.

With the building works ending we are delighted to be able to begin to use our new sports facilities. The hardcourts at the front of the Academy site can be used as five netball courts, five tennis courts, five 5-a-side football pitches, or a 7-a-side football pitch. They are also fully floodlit. In addition to being a fantastic facility for our students we are keen for them to be used by the community outside of the Academy day. If you know of any groups who may be interested in letting these facilities please contact our Operations Manager, Mr Lipman (i.lipman@oeacademy.co.uk)



Mrs Parsons recently met with a group of parents to discuss ways in which we could enhance our communications and engagement with all parents. As a result of these discussions we have;

- Made the parent bulletin more accessible
- Added all key letters home to the Academy website
- Made greater use of our Twitter (@Weendeavour) and Facebook pages
- Information evenings for all year groups
- Continue to make the website a useful tool for parents to use

If you have any further suggestions for ways in which we can improve the way in which we engage with you, please do let us (s.parsons@oeacademy.co.uk). We truly value your support and know how important the partnership between Academy and home is in ensuring the success of all our students.

Have a lovely weekend.

Upcoming events...

Tuesday 21st September – Post 16 Evening (4pm – 6pm)

Wednesday 22nd September – Year 11 Geography/Science trip to Minsmere

Wednesday 22nd September – Year 10 Parent Information Evening (6pm – 7pm)

Thursday 23rd September – Year 11 Geography/Science field trip to Minsmere

Thursday 23rd September – Year 9 Parent Information Evening (6pm – 7pm)

Tuesday 28th September – Open Evening (5pm – 7pm) . This event is for prospective students in years 5 and 6 and their parents.

Thursday 30th September – Grand Opening. We are delighted to be officially opening the new facilities and to mark this occasion we are inviting any parents or members of the community to come and have a look around the new site between 6pm and 7pm. Ex-students curious to see how things have changed are very welcome.