



Ovingham Middle School

Good Afternoon

It's been another busy week for OMS pupils at home and in school. We've had fitness routines in French, chalk art, poems inspired by the collective nouns for animals, Gothic fairy tales in Year 7 English, French menus and the fabulous video for Mr Blue Sky directed by Mrs Tweddle; another good choice of music, although I was met with some blank faces when I mentioned ELO - some of us remember the original! Beamish museum asked us if we would try out their new online real-time murder mystery which our year 5 group found very exciting! The year 6 classes will try this out next week. Along with the mouthwatering creations for Mrs Kidd's dessert challenge, it has been another truly fantastic week demonstrating the imagination and creativity of pupils at OMS. You can catch up with all this and more on our website, facebook and Twitter.

We are still finalising plans for September to ensure pupils' safety and we will send these out next week. Along with our Year 8 leavers, there will be some changes to OMS staffing from September. Mrs Ellison, Mrs Cousin, Mrs Foster, Mrs Burton and Mrs Hancock have all decided to leave to spend more time with their families. Each one of them has contributed enormously to OMS and we are so grateful for all they have done over the years. I know that lots of your children past and present will hold some fond memories of them, either through being taught, supported or taken on school trips, and in Mrs Hancock's case, through having a clean and safe school every day! We are, of course, very sad to see them go but wish them all the very best and we hope that they will keep in touch with us. Information regarding next year's form classes would have normally been issued by now but with these changes we will send them out as soon as we can - you will definitely have them by the end of term and will be sent out with the pupil reports.

We are looking forward to our last week of term and particularly excited about seeing our year 8 pupils again. You will receive a letter detailing the arrangements for Thursday and Friday; please read it carefully and share the information with your son/daughter so they are ready and prepared to come back into school.

I hope you have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Bullock

Group 6.2

Group 6.2 spent some of last week making their very own music video! It sure made us all smile! Check it out using the below link and we are sure it will make you as happy as it made us.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=luuisQ1ujD4&feature=youtu.be>

End of Year Reports

Reports will be emailed directly to your email address next Tuesday! Please make sure to update us if you have a new email address!

Bubble Quiz Score Board

1st - 6.1 (136)

2nd - 6.3 (133)

3rd - 6.4/KW1 (130)

'Thought of the Week'

"Few things leave a deeper mark on the reader, than the first book that finds its way to his heart." Carlos Ruiz Zafon





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Key Stage Two Religious Education

Well done to everyone who participated in the 'Joseph' and 'Noah' Religious Education quizzes. It was apparent, from the high scores, that you had taken the time to read through the texts and the slideshows before attempting to answer the quiz questions. Mrs. Smith and Mr. Wainwright were both impressed by the results on the leaderboard. There were also some great team efforts from classes in school. Excellent!

Here are the top three individual high scorers:

The Story of Joseph:

- 1). Megan R.
- 2). Taniesha C.
- 3). Esther W.

The Story of Noah:

- 1). Esther W.
- 2). Megan R
- 3). Sam B.

Our pupils in school went old school this week and have been having fun drawing with chalk!



Reminders

Library Books:

There are still quite a number of library books that are outstanding. We would be extremely grateful if all could be returned before the end of term so Miss Quinn can get all the books scanned and sorted ready for September. If you are unsure if your child has a library book outstanding, please contact the office.

Painted Pebbles:

We have made good start with our collection but we need as many as possible to make our display really special so please keep these coming!

Lost Property:

We still have an assortment of items, including house keys, watches, jewellery and small electronics in lost property. If you are missing anything please contact the school office.

Exercise Books:

Could pupils please, where possible, keep any school exercise books they have at home and bring them back to school in September.

Please remember to return:

- *OMS Football Strips
- *Locker Keys—or £2.50 if you have lost this,
- *Year 6—KS2 Science revision books

Next Week

Tuesday - Fun Day

Don't forget money to spend at the stalls, money should be put on your child's account via School Gateway under the OMS Funday
Any donations of cakes, sweets or chocolates would be greatly appreciated.

Wednesday—Fun Sports Day

Pupils are to come to school dressed in trainers and suitably dressed to compete in sporting activities. Pupils will also need water bottles, sun-screen and hat and inhalers if needed.

For more information please see separate letter sent home today.

Summer Reading Challenge



Next week we are launching our brand new Summer Reading Challenge where we have not one, but TWO competitions running. A letter with full details will be sent soon!

