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If you have, please notify us immediately on 01274 362050, or by email at admin@oasislisterpark.org



@OasisListerPark

6th May 2021

A message from our Leadership Team

As I'm sure some of you will be aware, exams will be taking place a little differently this year and the last couple of weeks have seen both Year 11 and Year 13 take on assessments which are helping towards building the evidence for their grades in the summer.

Our teachers have been working extremely hard to prepare students for their assessments and will then be involved in an important process of checking, comparing and grading the evidence for our pupils. This work and the marks given by the teachers will be checked by both Oasis and the exam boards before grades are confirmed in August.

All our assessment students have worked really hard over the last few weeks and have been exceptional in the way they have adapted to the changes they've had to face across two years affected by the Covid pandemic. We are really proud of them and hope all of their hard work leads to them realising their ambitions in the summer.



Mr Wrangles - Deputy Principal

ARE YOU IN THE KNOW?

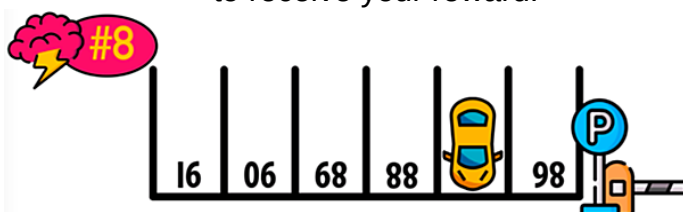
1 day off school = 5 lessons
3 days off school = 15 lessons
1 week off school = 25 lessons

Even 99-97% attendance can seriously impact outcomes, confidence and personal development

#MissSchoolMissOut

M A T H S P U Z Z L E

Can you solve our Maths puzzle? Email Mr Ishaq to receive your reward!



What is the number of the parking spot occupied by the car in the diagram above?

Have you
signed up to
MCAS?

To find out how to keep up with your child's progress, behaviour and attendance, sign up to My Child At School (MCAS). Click [here](#) to find out how!

Sharing Ramadan in Our Community

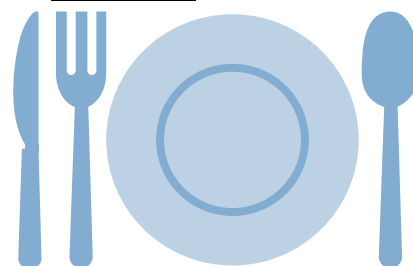
One of our fantastic students made local news this week by going above and beyond the call of duty by helping to deliver meals to elderly and vulnerable people in Manningham this Ramadan. Muhammad Habeeb in Year 9 said that the holy month involves '*so much more than just abstaining from food and drink*', and has encouraged others to help create a "sense of community" through charitable work.

Habeeb has been working with the Volunteering Interfaith Programme (VIP) - run by Strengthening Faith Institutions in partnership with Age UK Bradford District - which has helped to distribute meals to people in need, regardless of their beliefs, through its Sharing Ramadan initiative. Read more about this story [here](#).



New School Dinner Menus

Our new school dinner menus will begin from Monday 17th May! With vegetarian, meat, hot and cold options and delicious desserts, there is bound to be something for you to tuck into! To view all three menus, please [click here](#).

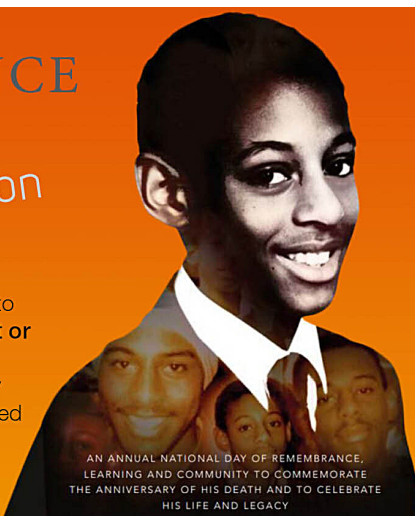


STEPHEN LAWRENCE DAY

Oasis National Competition

In support of Stephen Lawrence Day, we invite you to enter our national competition. **Creative writing, art or digital media** entries should promote racial equality and the part we all play in creating a society where everyone can flourish. Entries can be submitted to your Teacher.

Entries are open from 22nd April to 13th May.



Appetizers

- Pakoras by Mrs Arshad
- Veg samosas by Mrs Akbar
- Meat samosas by Mrs Bibi and Mrs Amin
- Meat rolls by Mrs Akbar
- Chutney by Mrs Arshad

Main Courses

- Chicken and pepper curry by Mrs Malik
- Lentil curry by Mrs Akbar
- Pilau rice by Mrs Bibi

Desserts

- Asian sweet dish by Mrs Ahmed
- Pistachio milk cakes by Mrs Bi
- Brownies by Mr Bhatti

Staff Fasting Challenge

Each year we hold a fasting challenge for our non-Muslim staff members, who are interested in experiencing a little of the month of Ramadan and to strengthen their relationships with some of the students. At the end of the challenge, they are rewarded with a delicious hamper of home cooked foods. Thank you to Miss Foster, Ms Kaur, Mr Priestley, Ms Stacey and Miss Greenwood for taking part - enjoy your hampers!



Safeguarding Message

We understand this is a difficult time for many families in our community. We regularly update our website with contact details for agencies that can help you with your mental health, foodbanks and many other types of support. For more information, please contact the academy by phone or email.

Telephone Befriending Service

Just because you have to stay at home it doesn't mean you should be lonely or isolated. 'Together Talks' Telephone Befriending Service has registered friendly volunteers who are ready to give you a call and chat about interests and hobbies or just provide a listening ear. By registering with Together Talks, they will match you with a Volunteer Telephone Befriender who will contact you at an agreed convenient time to have a friendly conversation over the phone.

It's okay to feel overwhelmed with family life. Contact Together Talks using the details below.

Telephone: 01274 952200 Email: befriending@thebridgeproject.org.uk

For more information about this and other local support services, please [click here](#).

Together Talks

In partnership with

EARLY HELP
BRADFORD DISTRICT

EARLY HELP TELEPHONE BEFRIENDING SERVICE

Please speak to your Early Help Coordinator or Lead Practitioner about being referred to our service.

To provide support for families in the Bradford District

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OUR SERVICES

FREE telephone support from dedicated and trained volunteer befrienders, who will offer support with:

- Linking to your local community interests and activities
- Relocation
- Balancing your own needs with your children's needs
- Improving your quality of life and encouraging you to realise your potential
- Finding the support solutions you need e.g. schools, shopping and DWP
- Bringing calm to your everyday life

And much more...



WHO WE ARE

Together Talks is a telephone befriending service which was developed by Bradford Metropolitan District Council (BMDC), the local NHS and the Voluntary and Community Sector during the Covid-19 pandemic.

The service was created to help alleviate some of the loneliness and isolation faced by people in our community.

We have now partnered with Early Help to provide additional support to families in the Bradford District.

"My befriender always listens to my worries. They are so kind and supportive and give me motivation to keep on track and do the best for my kids."

"My befriender never judges me. When things go wrong at home, we can work out what I can do better next time."

STUDENT SECTION

POETRY

Poetry is an artist's sense of security in this ever-changing and treacherous world. Reasons for writing poetry vary but all share a common theme: the desire of expression and creativity; to be free from the constraints of reality for just a few moments, just for those few lines.

For this week, I'd like to share some poems that I've written. It is my first time writing poetry and I got sudden bursts of inspiration during the past week and decided to write something. I thought I'd share because, although I'm not the best, nobody has to be the best to be passionate about something. If it has meaning, then that's enough.

*I wore my best clothes when I left that day.
So that, when you remembered me from that fateful evening, your perception of me was flawless
and clean.
Unstained and regaled in sincerity I waited attentively.
Waiting for the soft shuffling of shoes.
Anticipating the relieving rotation of entry into the room.
But you never arrived
and so I never left.*

*Ephemeral and clandestine were our stares.
A sincere solemn understanding between two bodies that existence together was unperceivable.
So all I felt was loneliness, biting yet passing. Aggressive yet fleeting.
And you hurried along, as you often did, to your passivity and left me
solemn to my sincerities.
And I moved along, barely and begrudgingly with the lingering notion,
there and definitely always there that
What if?*

*Like deep pools of longing and misery.
A settled stream sparkling ever so seamlessly in the sweltering summer night stars
with a little twinkle of destiny reflecting in your vast oceans, telling me of the vast
improbability but
I do not listen because
I am foolish and therefore,
I reciprocate your desires and
gaze into your eyes*



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