

## Academy Leadership Team Message

It's been another busy two weeks for all our staff and students at Oasis Academy Lister Park. Our fantastic performing arts students represented the academy at the Shakespeare Schools Festival last week and rumour has it some have been spotted for a part in a popular TV show – watch this space!! Our STEM ambassadors were once again flying the flag for OALP as they collected their National award during a ceremony last Thursday and our 'Green Tie' Restorative Ambassadors have been working hard with their peers and staff to ensure the climate for learning within the academy is positive and thriving. On Friday, whilst students were hopefully enjoying some down time at home, our staff took part in a full day of training. Here we shared strategies on how to support all our learners with their variety of learning needs, discussed the need to support each other as a staff body by ensuring we adhere to the Teachers' Standards, and focussed on our safeguarding responsibilities as we care and guide our students through their academic journey in to adult life in modern Britain.

Mrs Siân Dover - Vice Principal

## Peace Makers

Over the past two weeks, students in Year 7 and 8 have taken part in workshops created and presented by The Peace Museum in Bradford.

As part of the INSPIRE project, students looked at the roles of soldiers from different counties, families and famous political figures at the time. Students also role played being conflict breakers and peace makers and explored the reasons behind the First World War and the effect it has had on the world since.



## Post 16 Parents Evening

Our Post 16 Parents Evening will take place on Wednesday 19th December at 3pm to 6pm. We look forward to seeing you there!



## Christmas Jumper Day

On Friday 21<sup>st</sup> December we are holding our annual Christmas Jumper Day in support of Save the Children.

We are inviting all students to wear their brightest, funniest and craziest Christmas jumpers and make the world better with a sweater!

Any money raised will go towards giving children in the UK and around the world the chance to build a better future so donations of up to £1 for taking part would be appreciated. There will also be various other fundraising activities taking place throughout the day. Please encourage your children to take part in the festivities and make it a day to remember!



Save the Children  
**CHRISTMAS  
JUMPER DAY**

## The Hub Stationery Shop



Our new stationery shop will be running at student reception from Monday 3rd December on a Monday, Wednesday and Friday at break time.

## Mock Exams

Our mock exam series has begun! Post 16 exams have already started and our Year 11 exams will begin on Friday 7th December. Timetables have been distributed - if any students require revision resource materials, their teachers will be able to provide this. Good luck to everyone!

## STEM at OALP

STEM stands for Science, Technology, Engineering and maths. STEM is a really big deal at OALP! Last week our students attended the award ceremony to collect the 'Excellence in STEM' award at the National Science and Media Museum. We are one of three schools selected from West Yorkshire and the first inner city school to receive the award too! The award is a celebration of all we have achieved in one year in STEM.



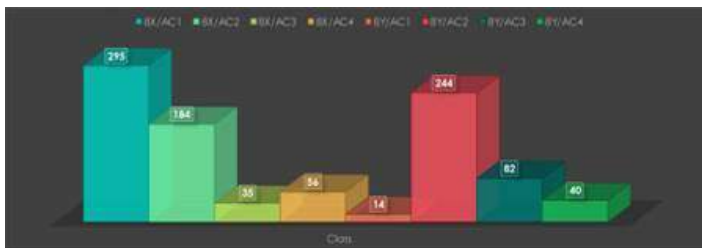
We are really excited about STEM and have been working on the FIRST LEGO League robot international competition preparing to take part and compete with other schools. We are also excited to be working with our local community – last week we hosted Frizinghall Primary students for a fun packed STEM day!

We'd really like to involve more girls in STEM, because...why not? If you are a parent/carer hoping to get involved in STEM please contact us to find out more.

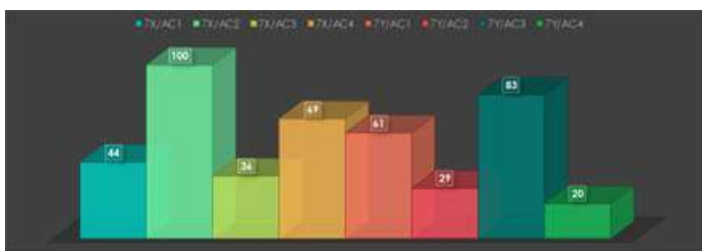
### Year 7 and 8 Accelerated Reader

A massive well done to 7x/ac2 who have read 100 books since September and 8x/ac1 who have read 295! Keep up the amazing reading!

Year 7 books read by class:



Year 8 books read by class:



### Certificate Evening

We will be hosting a Certificate Evening after the Christmas break, to celebrate our former students and current Year 12 students. GCSE and A-Level certificates will be available for collection, along with a special presentation and a buffet.

Invitations will be sent out later in the year.

### Attendance is the Key to Success

It is very important that all students attend school on time every day. Did you know: a child who is absent for one day of school per week misses an equivalent of two years of their school life.

#### Best tutor groups w/c 19th November:

Year 7: 7FBC 95.8%

Year 8: 8CD 98%

Year 9: 9LCW 95.5%

Year 10: 10ASY 98.1%

Year 11: 11JHT 96.8%



## Safeguarding Awareness

### Have you heard about County Lines Crime?

This involves criminal networks involved in bringing in illegal drugs into one or more areas using dedicated mobile phone lines. The criminals will often use and exploit young children and vulnerable adults to commit the crime and will use violence and sexual violence and weapons to get what they want. It cuts across many different types of crime including child sexual exploitation, drug dealing, violence, gangs, modern slavery and missing people.

Please be vigilant and speak to your children about the dangers of this new crime wave. If you require any further support or information please contact West Yorkshire Police or ring the Academy to speak to one of our Safeguarding Team. Please make sure your children are safe at all times.

**If your personal details change, such as your address or telephone number, please notify the Academy immediately on 01274 362050.**