

The News at Nine

REACH winners!

This term OAI championed the students who go above and beyond to make it a special place.

In addition to rewards for achievement in their subjects and lessons, students were rewarded for demonstrating the REACH values: Respect, Enthusiasm, Achievement, Community, and Hard work.

“This always makes me proud to be your head of year” – Mr VB

The tutees of the term were:

Windsor House – Olivia Smith
Parks House – Ruby Peace
Churchill House – Zack Brown
Newton House – Charlotte Clark
Nightingale House – Reece Jones

Students were given subject badges and REACH certificates. The winner of the Head of Year prize was:

ELECTION FEVER

In January, OAI held their first Student Council Elections. Each year group elected 2 councillors.

In Year 9 we had seven brilliant candidates. Pupils made posters, recorded campaign speeches, and canvassed their fellow students for votes.

All seven of the candidates were superb, and showed real confidence in putting themselves forwards on the ballot:

James Bingham
Lauren Chase
Luke Freeman
Ebony Hodson
Jamie Marsh
Chloe Plastow
Connor Teasdale

On Thursday 26th January, the excitement of election day was recreated with a replica polling station and ballot box in the Agora. Thanks to former students Taylor and Daisy who volunteered to help, and to Ms K Pearce for creating the box.

The council will be a representative body for the school which meets with the senior leadership to speak up for pupils. Its councillors will show all the qualities we expect from our students: leadership, model behaviour, and responsibility.

The councillors were elected to a 1-year term. The race for 2024 begins now!

BONJOUR YEAR NEUF

- OAI Trip to Paris
- Merci Monsieur Towse



This February Year 9s represented OAI on the world stage as part of their trip to France.

After a long journey by land and by sea, the students arrived in Paris for several days of culture and celebration. The students' behaviour was excellent, and they were a real credit to the Academy.

The visit, organised by Mr Towse, included a 674 step climb up the Eiffel Tower, cultural experiences and of course Disney Land Paris.

Hats off to Mr Towse and all the staff and students who made it such a wonderful trip.

Bien joué!

Above left: The Year 9s, their onesies, and Disney Land! Above right: Rhys T gets the best view in Paris!
Below left: Volunteers run the pollina station. Below riaht: Mrs McGill casts her ballot.



Sport

SPEEDY SEB



A huge well done to all students who ran today in the Humberside schools cross country at Central Park in Scunthorpe in January.

Our students competed against runners from North Lincolnshire, North East Lincolnshire and Hull and East Riding. In some races there were 150+ runners, meaning our students faced some incredibly tough competition.

Each runner today did both themselves and the academy proud, showing confidence, resilience and determination to run their hearts out!

Results from Y9 were:

Ruby P - 99th, Seb B-T - 3rd, Harry G - 26th, Zack B - 56th, Jay S - 66th, Max W - 67th, Will L - 73rd, Dan C - 81st and Riley S - 88th.

A special mention to Seb B-T (pictured) who, for the second year in a row, has qualified for the English schools national competition. Congratulations!

HAVE-A-LOCK AT THAT GOAL DIFFERENCE!

GRIMSBY GIRLS' GOAL-A-GEDDON



In March the Year 9 Netball Team travelled to Tollbar for the final Grimsby and District tournament of their academic year.

Our girls had 6 games to play, in weather conditions that meant we saw all seasons, in sun, wind, hailstone and snow! The OAI girls did not let this impact their performance showing their strong character and determination.

We saw some excellent play during the tournament. A real strength tonight developed from our defensive players, Ebony, Charlotte and Keilani who successfully overturned possession on a number of occasions, quickly feeding the ball to Faith and Wiktoria in the mid court who then fed the ball to shooters Ella and Autumn who had lots of scoring attempts.

A special shout out to Autumn who scored 14 goals across the tournament this evening from a variety of positions in the D!

- *Reporting by the PE Department*



Immingham 7-0 victory over Havelock

On 9 March our year 9s travelled to Havelock to face off for a place in the Grimsby and Cleethorpes Cup semi-final.

Despite the abysmal conditions and the hailstone hammering down, we kicked off. It took less than a minute for Harry F to be brought down for a penalty, which he confidently dispatched into the bottom corner to give us an early 1-0 lead on his return to the line-up.

It didn't take long for us to build on our lead, as goals from Harvey G, Seb BT, Jake H, and a screamer from Max W gave us a comfortable and well deserved 5-0 lead at half time.

Despite the second half being cut short due to the worsening of the weather, the boys continued to put on a showcase, with Seb BT and Jake H both picking up their second goals of the match. 7-0 the final score.

POTM: Jake H (pictured)

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