



Weekly NEWS

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A MESSAGE FROM OUR PRINCIPAL



Dear families and friends of OBA,

December is here and the Christmas period is on the horizon, however, we still have a lot going on here at OBA.

Our students are working hard to make as much progress as possible by the end of this term. Year 11 are planning their revision timetables and preparing for their mock examinations in January.

'Bugsy', the next amazing OBA production takes place on the evenings of Monday 7th to Thursday 10th December. Please snap up your tickets from reception to avoid disappointment as they always sell out. We have had taster performances in assemblies this week and you are in for a real treat!

The OBA Christmas Market is on Tuesday 15th December from 4.30 to 7pm. There will be a plethora of stalls and activities on offer, as well as an ice rink and reindeer!

Last year's fair was hugely successful so please bring all your family and friends and join in with the fun.

Thank you for your continued support.

Best wishes

Mr. M Wyss - Academy Principal

ORMISTON BOLINGBROKE
ACADEMY annual...
CHRISTMAS MARKET
Tuesday 15th December
4:30-7.00pm

If you are creative and would like to show off your wares, book a stall today to sell your crafts!

Crepes!
Popcorn!
Meet the Reindeers!!

Crafts!
Gifts!
Ice skating!!
& much more!

A festive treat for all the family

CIRCUS

YOUSEF VISITS OBA

TO PRESENT CIRCUS AWARDS FOR BUSINESS AND MUSIC TECHNOLOGY

Internationally renowned DJ, producer and club entrepreneur Yousef once again visited OBA to present some of our Business and Music Technology students with awards for outstanding achievement. The Liverpoolian runs the successful 'Circus' club night and record label, providing OBA with the opportunity to create these 'Circus' awards. OBA employs its own DJ who runs enrichment sessions with students and many of our music students compose their own tracks via sequencing software. In addition, we are very excited to have one of Circus Recordings' artists, local girl Laura

Mc Kenna (artist name, The Angel), working with music students at the Academy on a part-time basis. She has featured on a number of club hits, including Yousef's own 'Float Away'.

Parents and family members joined students for the award ceremony, which saw Yousef present each winner with a certificate, iTunes voucher and specially printed 'Circus Recordings' t-shirt. He also encouraged the families to support their youngsters in their pursuit of excellence in these globally popular industries.



Here is the full list of award winners:

- Callum Brown / Liam Murphy – OBA In The Mix Champions (best mix from the year's 'in the mix' events)
- Ethan Emery/Rhys Maguire – KS3 Rising DJ stars (student showing the most promise and aptitude in KS3)
- Billie Jo Barton – KS4 Rising DJ star (student showing the most promise and aptitude in KS4)
- Joe Garbutt – Outstanding Contribution to Music Tech (the one student who encompasses the musician in Music Technician)
- Emma Bygraves – Excellent Financial Planning for a Music Festival
- Hannah Hewitt – Outstanding Business Planning
- Chloe McClennon- Excellent Entrepreneurial Thinking
- Megan Gibbons – Excellent Research Conducted in Event Planning
- Katie Filkins – Excellent interpretation and analysis of research conducted

'PERSONAL BEST' PEER LEADERS' PROGRAMME

Over the past couple of weeks over sixty students in Year 7 have demonstrated great enthusiasm and determination when taking part in a 'Personal Best' programme.

The programme, which is run by students in Year 8 and Year 9 who have been recognised by The Youth Sports Trust as qualified 'Peer Leaders', has proven to be a real winner with the Year 7s.

The Year 8s and 9s organised a range of different activities, including dodgeball, skipping, benchball, rugby, football, basketball, netball, and obstacle courses. During all of these activities the Year 7s were really put through their paces by the Peer Leaders. However, they really enjoyed themselves, and always left with a smile on their face, knowing that the challenge to achieve a personal best had really been worth the effort.



Miss Belford, who co-ordinates The Personal Best Peer Leaders Programme said, "This very successful programme will soon be included in OBA's Enrichment timetable and will be open to all students. The leadership skills that our Peer Leaders displayed, as well as the real guts of all the students who took part made me very proud."

A special mention and thanks go to our Peer Leaders: Taylor Braithewaite, Jessica Keggin, Alex Bolton, Tom Hopwood, Elais Gumbs, Alex Caddick, Charlotte Allen, Ellie Dyson and Leevi Gumbs.

OBA STAFF CALENDAR

Staff at OBA have produced their first charity calendar to raise funds for a local charity, Trinity Kings Cross.

The calendar is a compilation of movie posters starring your favourite teachers dressed up as famous characters from the big screen.

You can buy the calendar in school at reception, student services or order through School Gateway for just £4.50 with all proceeds being donated to our chosen charity. Calendars ordered before 11th December 2015 will be delivered to pupils to bring home before Christmas. Orders placed after this date will still be delivered but may not be in time for Christmas.



DYNAMIX DANCE SCHOOL SUCCESSES

Over the last year, thirteen students have been tapping away and working extremely hard to achieve their Grade 1 ISTD Tap qualification. All their efforts have now paid off as they have just achieved an outstanding set of results after demonstrating the highest standards of tap technique in their exams.

Dynamix Dance Teacher, Miss Marshall, said “Each student in the Dynamix Dance Group should be proud of their achievements as everyone achieved a Merit or a

Distinction grade. This group of talented young dancers has really set the bar high for future exams in ballet, modern and tap. They are already preparing hard to achieve further success in their grade 2 exam next year.”

Our congratulations go to students not only from OBA, but also to students from other schools in our community who join us every Saturday.



Well done to:

Nicole Bateman - St. Mary's – Merit

Emily Ireland - St. Berterline's – Merit

Tori-Lee Robinson - Westfield Primary - Merit

Lille-Mai Scott - Palacefields - Distinction

Lucy-Jo Holmes - Brookvale – Distinction

Amy Oliver - St Chad's - Distinction

Lucy-Mae Bateman - OBA - Merit

Dominique Costello - OBA - Merit

Elisha Francis - OBA - Merit

Jodie Pike - OBA - Merit

Paige Thomson - OBA - Merit

Aimee Parsons - OBA – Distinction

Carrie Clarke - OBA - Distinction

MUSICAL RISING STARS

OBA's Music department has just held its second 'Rising Stars' concert which celebrated the musical talents and skills of students of all ages. Students performed to a packed out audience, whilst parents, grandparents, staff and students watched with pride.

Well done to the following students for their fantastic performances:

Violin - Ryan Ghosh, Daniel Ireland and Paige Thomson

Cello - Kofi Aliu

Guitar - Morgan Murray

Flute – Beth Smith

Singers - Abbie Cheers and Daisy-Marie Murphy

Piano - Rhys Maguire, Owen Greene, Alfie Nickson and Abbie Cheers





Over thirty Year 8 and 9 students recently experienced a theatrical spectacle in The Lowry Theatre, Manchester, accompanied by Miss McKevitt and Mr Fisher.

Both staff and students thoroughly enjoyed the award winning show, “The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time”, and they were in awe of the performances of some very talented actors. Students were also amazed by the lavish and innovative set, which really added to their expanding knowledge and love of drama.

All those who took part were excellent ambassadors for OBA and were commended, on more than one occasion, by members of the general public for their excellent behaviour and outstanding presentation.

Miss McKevitt said, “An amazing experience was had by all and it was great for them to see how they could use this to develop their own skills even further. They have already introduced some of the things they learnt into Drama lessons.”

