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Dear families of OMS

Positions of Responsibility

On Monday we had our assembly announcing the positions of responsibility in school. Here are the pupils who will be assisting in ensuring our school is the best it can be!

House Captains

Roman	Norman	Saxon
Katie C	Elliot	Ben
George	Claude	Darcie



School Council (Year 8 House Captains are also the Year 8 School Representatives) - Photos to follow

5JU	Alicia	Florence
5ET	Josie	Jake
5DC	Jack	Francesca
6DH	Izzy	Harvey
6TH	Hannah	Thomas
6VN	Fleur	Theo
7AWr	Summer	Jimmy
7JK	Amber	Alexander
7RP	Thorfinn	Ben



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Honesty
We have the courage to always tell the truth and take responsibility for what we have done.

Excellence
We aim high and are the best that we can be at all times.

Acceptance
We respect and accept ourselves, others and the environment around us.

Resilience
We work hard, are determined and we keep trying.

Teamwork
We are friendly, helpful and co-operative.

Sports Captains

Roman	Norman	Saxon
Amelia	Martha	Edward
Charlie	Kofi	Maisy A



Young Sports Leaders



Finn	Thomas
Arthur	Malick
Phoebe	Taylor
Fred	Jude
Dan	Oscar
Fran	Jack
Imogen	Harry
Chloe	Ollie
Max	Sophia
Ava	Harry
Max	Noah
Kate	

Prefects

Nikhil
Sophie
Emily
Mya
Ailsa
Eden
Freya
Jessica
Arthur Bryne
Noah Macdonald



Reading Ambassadors

Sophie
Lola
Eloise
Edward
Oscar
Henry W



School Librarians

Rayanne
Ruby
Tom
Gethin
Maya
Jorgie
Grace

Thomas
Florence
Imogen
Isla
Esmee
Eleanor





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Language Ambassadors



Lucy K
Lucy W
Charlie S-N
Islay A
Fred C
Ailsa W

Music Ambassadors -to be announced this week

Lost property

We have already accumulated quite a collection of lost property. The above are just the items in the Year 5 box. We can get the items back to their owners if they are named, but otherwise it will remain in the lost property boxes until claimed by the owner. It really does help us and you if items are all named!!! Lost property boxes are in the Year 5 locker area and by the office door.



And the results are in ...

After being elected into the role on Monday afternoon the house and sports captains went straight to work presenting house assemblies on Tuesday afternoon. They did an absolutely amazing job! As well as announcing the top housepoints in house assembly we also celebrate the talents and successes of the pupils in each house. If your child has a talent or any success they would like to share with their house please encourage them to speak to their house captains or Mrs Kemp.

The results for this term so far are:

- 3rd - Roman
- 2nd - Norman
- 1st - Saxon

Winning classes this week are: 5ET / 6VN / 7RP / 8AL

Top house pointers the week are: Year 5 - Ella B, Geoffrey B and Luke D
 Year 6 - Martha C, Elsa R and Fleur D
 Year 7 - Joseph D, Joe C, Betsy L and Nicloe M
 Year 8 - Finn K, Martha T, Malick T and Fred C



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So far this term an amazing 6605 house points have been awarded for working hard and displaying our school HEART values. Well done, everyone!



European Day of Languages Monday 25th Hello/Bonjour/Hola!

This coming week, it is European Day of International Languages! We will mark this day in school on Monday 25th and celebrate language diversity. You can find out more information on this website: <https://edl.ecml.at/> We plan to have language/culture themed lessons, an international lunch menu and a languages lunchtime disco! Here are some other activities which will happen in school on the day:



Languages Cake Competition:

Pupils bring in entries **on Monday morning** for a chance to win a prize! Your cake(s) should represent a language/culture or languages overall. Then we are hoping to have a bake sale to raise money, so other pupils may bring in some change to buy cakes.

Flamenco and French Dance Sessions for KS2:

Year 5 and Year 6 pupils are to take part in sessions celebrating dance in different cultures. Please can all KS2 pupils wear P.E. kit on Monday and bring a suggested £2.50 donation for this event.

SOAC (School Over a Cuppa) meetings

A reminder that you can sign up to come along to one of this term's meetings on this [form](#).

These are the dates for this term:

Thursday October 12th, 9.15am

Wednesday November 22nd 9.15am



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Well done to Spencer in Year 5 who attended his first swim gala for Newcastle swim team. He came 1st in his group for the 50m breaststroke, then 5th overall in his age category - impressive swimming Spencer! He also competed in 2 other races and really enjoyed the whole day.



We missed this last week but a big Hi-5 to Edgar in Year 5 for a fantastic time in the Junior Great North Run!!!



A huge Hi 5 to Ben in Year 8 who had a day of auditioning last Sunday for the Tyne Theatre panto Peter Pan, and on Monday he found out he got the role of John Darling! Oh yes he did!!!

Hi 5s all round to **all of the Wylam Guides** . Gillin Thomson wanted to say a big thank you for making posters for the Waggonway event. These posters lined the waggonway from Wylam to Newburn. And to **Sophie, Martha and Ailsa** from year 8 for helping to marshal and provide certificates.

The Waggonway ran as part of Wylam on Wheels on Sunday and is an event catered for people all of ages and abilities. Adapted bikes were available as well as rides provided on the trishaw by Cycling Without Age.



We really enjoy hearing about so many of your Hi-5 moments this year. Keep on sending them in and let us know about any of your achievements and fantastic things you are involved in out of school. Please send them into admin@ovinghammiddle.co.uk



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OMS Lunchtime Clubs Autumn Term

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
12.30pm- 1.00pm	Year 8 Boys Football -TB Girls Football - Yr7/8 -DG Homework club - all years	Badminton – Year 7/8 -DG Football Year 7 Boys -TB Homework Club - all years (Rm 7)	Netball - Year 7/8 -DG Basketball - Year 7/8 - TB Homework Club - all years Wellbeing - all years room 8 Debate Club KS3: R7 OMS Big Band - all years RA Music Room	Dance - Year 7/8 Homework Club - all years Art Club - KS3 Keyboard Club - RA Music Room	Skipping/ Boxing - DG/TB ECO Club - all years Homework Club - all years (Rm 6) Crochet club - all years (Rm)
+ 1.00pm -1.25pm	Girls Football - Year 5 & 6- DG Boys Football - Year 5 & 6- TB Homework Club - all years	Basketball – Year 5 & 6 -DG Homework Club - all years (Rm 7)	Netball Year 5/6- DG Homework Club - all years Science Club - all years Art Club - KS2 Wellbeing - all years room 8 Debate Club KS3: R7	Cross Country - Y5 & 6 -TB Dance - Y5 & 6 Homework Club - all years Singing Club – all years	Dodgeball - Yr 5 & 6 - DG ECO Club - all years Homework Club - all years (Rm 6) Crochet club - all years

Sport@OMS

Our Young Sports Leaders had their first event this week. They were a real credit to the school, supporting and encouraging younger pupils from OMS and other local schools to develop their skills and interest in football. Here are two of the messages we received from members of staff from other schools following the event:

‘This afternoon we brought 21 KS2 girls across for the girls football festival hosted at your school. I would just like to pass on our thanks and particularly praise the Ovingham Middle School Sports Leaders for doing a great job in helping to run the festival. The leaders were enthusiastic, polite, motivated and full of praise towards the girls taking part which made it a very enjoyable experience for all involved. They were a real credit to your school.’ *Mr Blatherwick, PE Co-ordinator, Corbridge Middle School.*

‘I have just returned to school for the Girls Football Festival at your school. I had to email to say how impressed I was by the Year 8 children leading the activities. They were polite and kind to the younger children and joined in with enthusiasm. All my staff commented on them and how fabulous they were. A real credit to your school. Thank you for having us today. I know the children are looking forward to the next event.’ *Mrs Dodds, Executive Deputy Headteacher, Wylam and Prudhoe Castle First Schools*



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Music@OMS

Pearl of Africa Children's Choir The Pearl of Africa Children's Choir

On Tuesday 19th September we welcomed the Pearl of Africa Children's Choir from Uganda into school. The charity aims to break the cycle of poverty in Uganda by investing in education, health, water and sustainable food programmes. As part of their fundraising the children are touring the UK for 11 weeks hosting workshops, performing concerts and selling crafts.



We were lucky enough to welcome 9 children into OMS for the day. The group performed for the children during the Morning before running workshops throughout the day with some african drumming, singing and dancing. It was wonderful to see the children get involved with the sessions and after watching the performance in assembly, the turn out was fantastic.

In the evening the Choir performed at PCHS, the group was incredible. It was also lovely to see some of the children who had attended the workshops getting up and involved with the concert. We raised £727.90 in ticket sales, craft sales and donations. Thank you to everyone who came and supported the concert.



If you would like any more information about the charity or would like to support the group, please go to <https://pearlofafrica.org.uk/>



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Music Clubs



The **OMS Big Band** will be starting up again soon. If you play an instrument and would like to join please come along! The club is open to the whole school and it would be lovely to have some new faces join. We will be starting to prepare for Christmas with some exciting plans coming up.

In the next few weeks, the **Keyboard club** will start up. This is open to all years and any ability! There will be limited spaces for this club; the sign up sheet will go up in the music room. If you would like to attend make sure you put your name on the list! Miss Armatage will let you know if you have a place.



The **Theatre Club** will be starting after half term. This will be a club running after school and will be the starting point for the 2023/24 production (we will tell you what it is soon!). This club will be a chance for children to expand on their new Drama skills and learn more about theatre and performance. It is sure to be good fun. Sign up forms will be sent out before half term.

Food Studies

Thursday 28 September

Year 8 - Marble pear or Pineapple upside down cake

Year 6 - Sponge cakes

Friday 29 September

Year 5 - No cooking - Macmillan coffee morning

Year 7 - Sweet and sticky chicken noodles

Pupils must bring a suitable sized and named container to the lesson so they can bring their creations home!



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Art@OMS



This week in art, year 7 have been drawing landscapes using soft pastels. They really enjoyed how well soft pastels blend together and have begun to produce their own beautiful sunset landscapes.



MacMillan Coffee Morning



We are once again supporting the important work of Macmillan by holding a Coffee Morning in school on Friday morning. Our House Captains and Prefects will be organising the morning as follows:

9 - 10am: KS2 parents and pupils

10-11am: KS3 parents and pupils.

Please come and join us for a cup of coffee at the times above. We would really appreciate any cake donations into school on Thursday and Friday!

Recycle!



A reminder that you can recycle unwanted and unloved clothing, bags, shoes (pairs) and small toys for collection and redistribution at our collection point in the school car park . We think this project is so important to encourage our pupils to be aware of the effect waste has on climate change. We are hoping that by starting with recycling, your child will also begin to ask the right questions about climate change and the ways in which they can begin to look after the planet for future generations.



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OPEN EVENING

FOR PARENTS/CARERS AND CHILDREN

WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 4TH 2023

4.00pm – 6.00pm

We are so proud of our school and would like to share this with you!

COME ALONG AND FIND OUT MORE ABOUT OUR FANTASTIC SCHOOL

- PRESENTATION BY JENNY BULLOCK (HEADTEACHER) AND OUR YEAR 8 HOUSE CAPTAINS(4.30pm and 5.15pm)
 - TAKE PART IN SOME EXCITING CURRICULUM ACTIVITIES
 - LEARN MORE ABOUT LIFE AT OMS
 - MEET STAFF AND PUPILS

We look forward to welcoming you to our school.

OPEN DAY TOURS

Thursday 5th October 1.45pm and Friday 6th October 11.00am.

Please contact the school office on 01661833215 or admin@oms.cheviotlt.co.uk to book a place on the tour



**Have a great week!
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Upcoming events/Dates for diary - please check weekly for further events/changes added

- 25/09/23 - Storyteller, Chris Bostock, will be visiting to work with our KS2 children.
- 25/9/23 - International Day of Languages and KS2 Language Dance sessions
- 29/09/23: Macmillan Coffee Morning. Key Stage 2: 9.15 - 10am, Key Stage 3: 10 - 11am.
- 04/10/23: Open Evening for Year 4 pupils.
- 05/10/23: Open Day tour for Year 4 parents/pupils at 1.45pm
- 06/10/23: Open Day tour for Year 4 parents/pupils at 11am
- 09/10/23: Year 5 Beamish Trip Parents Information Evening, 4.30pm
- 11/10/23: Pastoral parents evening. 3.45 - 6.30pm. This will be an opportunity to meet your child's new form teacher.
- 12/10/23: SOAC meeting 9.15am. Please sign up online
- 19/10/23 - 20/10/23: Year 5 Residential to Beamish
- 27/10/23: Teacher Training Day - school closed to pupils.
- 28/10/23 - 05/11/23 Half Term. School reopens on Monday 06/11/23
- 22/11/23: Whole School Road Safety Assemblies
- 22/11/23: SOAC meeting 9.15am. Please sign up online.
- 07/12/23: Year 8 NHS careers talks
- 08/12/23: School Fair, 1.30 - 3pm
- 12/12/23: Christmas Music Concert - 6pm
- 13/12/23 - 15/12/23: Year 6 Residential to Robinwood
- 22/12/23: Last day of Autumn term

Community Notices:

Please let us know if you would like to advertise any community events.



It gives us great pleasure to let you know that we will be running our After School Youth Club “**Hot Chocolate!**” again, which is suitable for Yr 5 - 9 pupils. Starting up again has been made possible by the generous sponsorship of Prudhoe Town Council, NE Youth for Christ and The Gate Church, Prudhoe.

As usual, it's happening at the **Gate Church on Swalwell Close** and will run for **10 weeks (term time only)** from **Wed 27th Sept at 3.00pm – 5.00pm** where each week a team of

trained and experienced Youth Workers will provide organised, fun activities, encourage teamwork, speak to the youngsters and sometimes help with those difficult life-questions including values, identity, discrimination, suffering and Christian faith. There will also be some DBS checked Volunteers from the church to make sure there is plenty of “**Hot Chocolate**” and some wholesome snacks. **It is free of charge; we just require a Consent Form to be completed and returned to us.**

<http://thegatechurch.org.uk/>



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Autism Family Support Drop In Sessions



The Northumberland HINT team are holding drop in sessions, offering the chance for families to get support and advice about Autism. You do not have to have a diagnosis in the family to attend these sessions.



Come along to access free support and advice in your local area. 0-19 years. No diagnosis needed!

Join us at:

Blyth Central Family Hub - Monday 25th September 11am-3.30pm

Hexham Family Hub - Tuesday 3rd October 11am-3.30pm

Ashington Family Hub - Tuesday 10th October 12pm-5pm

Berwick Family Hub - Thursday 19th October 11am-3.30pm

Canoe Slalom Development Day: - Sunday 8th October

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Canoe Slalom Development Day

BUILDING SKILLS & HAVING FUN

- Expert coaching on-hand
- Fun practice sessions
- Try out different craft
- Refreshments available
- Sign up online

Hexham Canoe Club
8th October 2023
Info & online sign-up here: <https://www.hexhamcanoeclub.co.uk>
Contact: slalom@hexhamcanoeclub.co.uk

Hexham Canoe Club would like to invite students from schools across the region and their families to get involved in a great day of paddling fun.

In conjunction with British Canoeing England Talent Program and with support from clubs across the north, we are hosting a Canoe Slalom Development Day at Tyne Green.

This is a brilliant chance for any interested people, (aged 8 - 98), to develop their paddling skills, have some fun and if they want, get involved in canoe slalom. There will be on-water fun slalom sessions designed to introduce the sport and develop skills. There will be a short presentation about the sport in the clubhouse and refreshments will be available after your session.

People will need to follow the link in the poster to sign up and secure their place.



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<https://www.nationaltrust.org.uk/visit/escape-into-autumn>

Visit **National Trust** online to claim a voucher for a free family pass that can be used on any one day up to **Friday 20 October** (excluding school half-term, though for most that's after this date).

You can get a pass up to 20 October, or until all available passes have been claimed, if that's sooner.

This single-use family pass allows two adults and up to three children, or one adult and up to four children, to visit a National Trust site for free in England, Wales, and Northern Ireland (National Trust Scotland locations aren't included). For this deal, children must be 5-17 years old (under 5s go free). You can also use this as a couple or as a single person. On average, the pass would normally cost £25 to £35.