

## UPCOMING KEY DATES

### NOVEMBER 2019

29 <sup>th</sup>	Occasional Day – School Closed
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### DECEMBER 2019

10 <sup>th</sup>	Y7 Carol Service at St Etheldreda's Church
10 <sup>th</sup>	Y8 Parents' Evening
19 <sup>th</sup>	Senior Presentation Evening
20 <sup>th</sup>	Last Day of Term – 12.20pm Finish

### JANUARY 2020

6 <sup>th</sup>	INSET Day
7 <sup>th</sup>	Start of Spring Term for Students

**For further school dates and information, please visit our website:**

<http://onslow.herts.sch.uk/calendar/>

#### Sports events:

<http://onslow.herts.sch.uk/osa-sports-calendar/>

### INVIGILATORS

We are currently recruiting for Invigilators and Readers/ Scribes for exams.

If you would like further information, or are interested in applying, please contact [CZwager@Onslow.herts.sch.uk](mailto:CZwager@Onslow.herts.sch.uk). Training will be provided.

Dear Parents and Carers,

Our attendance this term is 96.3%, which is outstanding and is one of the highest of all the schools in Hertfordshire. Students in Years 10 to 13 are averaging 96.6% attendance, which is particularly pleasing as this gives students taking their GCSE and Post-16 qualifications more chance of success. Thank you to all parents and carers for their support and encouragement with attendance – it makes a real difference.

### YEAR 11

Year 11 students have received the results from their first set of trial exams this term and are in a very strong position to build on these ahead of the Summer exams. The year group has had an excellent attitude to learning and after-school intervention sessions have commenced this week to support students with exam preparation.

### HEALTHY EATING

As you may be aware, a new McDonald's restaurant has opened in Asda, near to the school. A number of students have brought McDonald's food into school and have been drinking Coca-Cola and other fizzy drinks for breakfast. Can I ask parents to reiterate the messages students receive at school about healthy eating and the large amount of sugar in fizzy drinks, which are banned at school.

### ROAD SAFETY

Concerns have been raised by members of the public regarding students behaving poorly whilst crossing busy roads near school, particularly at the lights by The Town Inn. Can I ask parents to remind students about taking care to avoid risking the safety of themselves and others.



### OSA WEBSITE

The OSA website now has a translation function that changes content into the home language of a number of our pupils:

<https://onslow.herts.sch.uk/>

### SENIOR CELEBRATION EVENING



Our Senior Presentation Evening will take place on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December to celebrate the achievements of current Year 12 and 13 students, as well as students who have now moved on to university. Invitations will be sent out to award winners from next week.

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## SIXTH FORM FUNDRAISING

For the rest of this term, Sixth Form students will be working on charity projects during their Personal Development sessions as part on an inter-house competition. Students in each house will be running a series of events and activities to raise money for their chosen charity:



Save The Children	Mind UK	Oxfam	Greenpeace	Rays of Sunshine
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Events scheduled include Sponge the Teacher, cake sales, concerts, a sponsored walk and a leg waxing competition! Details of money raised and the winning house will be announced at the end of the project.

## CHALLENGE PARTNERS

Challenge Partners is an education charity, led by practitioners, through which schools collaborate to improve each other and the education system as a whole, so that all children benefit.

Mr Bullock, Mrs Casotti and Mr Bird have undertaken Quality Assurance Reviews at other schools this term as part of the initiative and Mrs Flint is due to be visiting another partner school next term.

Next week we welcome senior leaders from other schools to OSA for our own Quality Assurance Review. The visitors will be reviewing our leadership and management, outcomes, educational provision and overall effectiveness. This is a great opportunity to show off the very best our school has to offer and to recognise the improvements that have taken place since September.

## EQUIPMENT

Can I ask parents to remind students about the importance of having the right equipment for school every day, including stationery and a reading book.

Thank you for your ongoing support. If issues do arise, please contact your child's Year Learning Manager, Head of Year or Form Tutor to resolve so that we can **Achieve Success Together**.

**David Bullock**  
Headteacher