



Oxted School

BULLETIN

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10 July 2026



Dear Parents and Carers

As we move ever closer to the end of another successful academic year, it has been wonderful to reflect on the many achievements, experiences and opportunities our students have enjoyed over the past week.

A huge congratulations to everyone who took part in OXPA Fest last Wednesday evening! The event showcased the incredible talent of our students and was a fantastic celebration of creativity across the school community. Thank you to all students, staff and families who supported the evening and helped make it such a success.

On Tuesday evening, we were delighted to host our annual Sports Awards Evening, recognising the outstanding sporting achievements of our students throughout the year. It was particularly special to welcome back former student Jack Kavanagh, Team GB athlete, who spoke passionately about his journey from Oxted School to competing at the highest level of sport. His story was both inspiring and motivational for all of us in attendance.

Throughout the week we have also been celebrating student success through our Prize Giving and Rewards Assemblies, recognising the many academic and personal achievements that have contributed so positively to school life this year. These occasions provide an opportunity to acknowledge the hard work and commitment demonstrated by so many of our students.

It has been a pleasure to welcome another former student back to school this week. Beth O'Brien, author and Carnegie Award winner, spent time with students sharing her experiences as a writer and discussing the importance of reading, creativity and perseverance in achieving success. We thank Beth for inspiring the next generation of readers and writers!

Our students completing the Duke of Edinburgh Award have also been busy, with the final qualifying expeditions now successfully completed. Participating students have demonstrated determination and teamwork in challenging conditions: we look forward to celebrating their achievements as they progress through their awards.

Next week promises to be equally exciting! Our Year 8 students will be heading to Ferny Crofts for their annual camp, while Year 10 and Year 12 students will be undertaking work experience placements, gaining valuable insights into future careers and the world of work.

Meanwhile, students in Year 7 and Year 9 will enjoy a varied programme that includes a combination of normal lessons, careers-focused activities, a dedicated day of sport and exciting educational visits, including trips to the Science Museum and Adventure Island.

Looking ahead to the final days of the academic year, students will be competing for the coveted title of 'Sports Day House Champions'. We will also be celebrating a year of House competitions by announcing our Inter-House Competition winners and crowning our Overall Champion House for 2025/26! These events always generate great excitement and provide a fitting conclusion to another successful year of House activities.

Finally, a reminder that on the last day of term students will be dismissed from 12.05pm. Further details regarding arrangements for the end of term will be sent home shortly.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support. We look forward to celebrating these final events together and ending the year on a well-deserved high.

Mr M M J Devenney
Principal

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Year 7

Head of Year: Mr F Warriner
Deputy Head of Year: Mrs K Waite
Pastoral Manager: Ms K Catchpole

Changes to the Year Team

As you are now aware, changes have been made to the Year 7 team. Myself, Mrs Waite and Mr Warriner have now joined the Year 7 team and are very much looking forward to working alongside our students as they move into Year 8.

Your Year Team

- Mr Warriner – Head of Year
- Mrs Waite – Deputy Head of Year
- Miss Catchpole – Pastoral Manager



I would like to introduce myself as the new Head of Year 7.

I was lucky enough to join Oxted School in September last year and was given the

opportunity of being Head of Year 11. During this time, I have got to know many Year 7 students very well, teaching a great number of them Drama since September.

I am looking forward to working with Year 7 as they progress through the school, offering support and advice to our young people as they mature and develop into the young adults they will become. I also look forward to working closely with you as parents and guardians to ensure students are able to navigate any challenges they may face during their school journey.

Mr Warriner
Head of Year 7

Prize Giving Assembly

Year 7 celebrated their annual Prize Giving Assembly this week. Awards were presented for:

- Highest Achiever
- High Five Award
- Tutee of the Term
- Tutee of the Year

Congratulations to all students who received awards. More information and photographs from the event will follow shortly.

Key Dates

Flex Week

Commencing Monday 13 July

- **Monday 13 July** – Science Museum Trip
- **Friday 17 July** – Adventure Island Trip

We look forward to a fantastic week of activities and opportunities for our students.

Tutor Group Attendance

Congratulations to all tutor groups for their continued commitment to excellent attendance.

Tutor	%
7D1	92
7D2	94
7F1	93
7F2	91
7G1	94
7G2	93
7S1	94
7T1	94

Achievement Points

7D1 continues to lead the year group with an impressive **79,265** achievement points. Well done to all students in the tutor group for their hard work and positive contribution to school life.

Top 5 Achievement Point Earners in Year 7

A huge congratulations to our current top five achievers:

1. Alex O'D
2. Chloe Z
3. Noah R
4. Gabby H
5. Isabelle B

Your dedication, effort and positive attitude have been outstanding.

As we near the end of a successful Year 7, we would like to thank all students, parents and carers for your continued support.

Mrs K Waite

Deputy Head of Year 7

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Head of Year: Ms L Singleton
Deputy Head of Year: Ms S Wallace
Pastoral Manager: Miss A Harper

We have now moved into our third heat wave of the year, and students have certainly been enjoying the opportunity to wear their PE uniform throughout the day.

We would like to remind families that if PE uniform needs washing, students may wear a plain white or plain black T-shirt and plain shorts as an alternative. These items must be free from logos. Please note that cycling shorts and Nike Pro shorts are not permitted.

To help students stay safe and comfortable during the hot weather, we have put a number of measures in place across the school. Additional water stations are available around the site, outdoor PE lessons later in the day have been restricted, and the Astro pitch is closed at lunchtime. We also adjusted the timing of our recent fire drill so that it took place earlier in the day, away from the midday heat.

There are plenty of shaded and sheltered areas around the school, with benches available for students to relax and socialise during break and lunchtime.

Spotlight on the Year Team

Many of you may already be aware that there have been some changes within our Pastoral Teams.

For Year 8, I will remain in post, alongside as Deputy Head of Year and Miss Harper as Pastoral Manager. We say farewell to Mr Streeter, who is now Head of Year 7 and will continue with that year group in future years.

We are very pleased to welcome Ms Singleton as our new Head of Year 8, soon to become Head of Year 9. Ms Singleton brings a wealth of experience, having been a Head of Year at Oxted School for seven years, as well as holding the same position at de Stafford School for a number of years.

Meet Ms Singleton

Some of our students have put some questions forward to interview Ms Singleton and to find out a bit more about our new Head of Year.



Why did you become a teacher and work in education?

"When I was at university, I was offered the chance to learn about teaching and get paid for it, so obviously, as a student without much money, I thought it was a great idea! It then turned out that I really enjoyed it, and the rest is history."

What did you study at university?

"I studied Biological Sciences at the University of Exeter."

What were your favourite and least favourite subjects at school?

"My favourite was definitely PE, although I enjoyed most subjects. My least favourite was probably Music, mainly because I am quite competitive and I wasn't very good at it!"

What job would you have if you weren't teaching?

"I would have loved to be a doctor, a paramedic or possibly a firefighter."

What subjects do you teach?

"I teach Science, mainly Biology and Chemistry."

What's an interesting fact about you?

"I was once a contestant on The Chase!"

We are excited to welcome Ms Singleton to the Year 8 team and know that students will enjoy getting to know her over the coming years. We look forward to working together to support our students as they prepare for the transition into Year 9.

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House Points Update

Students always enjoy a sense of friendly competition, and our House points system is a great way to recognise their effort and achievements. Each Friday during tutor time, students find out how their tutor group is performing in the league.

Last week saw 8D1, with Mrs Driver, taking the lead, a fantastic achievement. Congratulations to all involved, and we look forward to seeing how the competition develops over the coming weeks!

House Points – this year 2026 😊



1st. 8D1 – 74625	6th. 8T1 – 59910
2nd. 8G2 – 71950	7th. 8F1 – 57550
3rd. 8T2 – 70115	8th. 8G1 – 54300
4th. 8F2 – 65800	9th. 8S1 – 49480
5th. 8S2 – 63340	

Attendance Update

Good attendance is something we are proud to celebrate, and last week we saw some excellent records across the year group.

Well done to the top four tutor groups for attendance last week, a fantastic achievement and a reflection of your commitment and positivity. Keep up the great work!

So Far This Year

1st. 8D1 – 95.55%
2nd. 8S1 – 93.92%
3rd. 8T2 – 93.90%
4th. 8S2 – 93.38%
5th. 8F1 – 93.22%

The Last Week

1st . 8S1 – 97.62%
2nd . 8S2 – 93.27%
3rd . 8F1 – 93.10%
4th 8F2 – 92.24%
5th . 8D1 – 90.83%

Equipment

Students are reminded to bring in all required equipment each day, ensuring they are ready and organised for learning.



Thank you, as always, for your continued support.

Ms Wallace
Deputy Head of Year 8

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Emergency Contact Tel
No: 07823 343673

Year 8 Camp **Departure: Monday 13 July, 10am approx**

Students should meet their tutor and House Team on the KS3 playground from 9.15am onwards. Parents should drive to the back of school entering by the gate off Park Road. Please do not arrive earlier than 9am as you will be held in a queue in Park Road.

Please note parents will be asked to drop their child off and then leave. Please also consider car sharing to limit the amount of traffic.

Make sure your child can carry what they bring to camp, without anyone else's help. Please remember your homemade cake (**no nuts**).

Return: Friday 17 July, approximately 2pm-2.30pm

It is hard to be precise, we will leave the campsite between 12 noon and 12.30pm but we are very much at the mercy of M27/M3/M25. We will ask students to message parents as they get to Cobham Services.

Medication:

Medication should be in a plastic bag, clearly marked with the student name and tutor group and should be handed to a member of the House team once your child arrives at school.

Contact from Camp:

There will be message to say, 'we have arrived' and another to say 'we are on our way home' but nothing in between. From experience, we know that internet access is patchy on the campsite and staff will only contact home if there is cause.

Contact with Camp:

There is a school mobile (07823 343673) that can be contacted in an emergency. This number is for the period Monday 13 July – Friday 17 July and should only be used in the event of a real emergency.

Money:

There is nowhere for students to spend money.

Mobile Phones:

As explained at the parent information evening, mobile phones will be collected from students as they arrive at Ferny Crofts. The phones will be locked away until Friday's departure, when they will be given back to students once they are on their coach.

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Head of Year: Miss H Doe
Deputy Head of Year: Mrs L Child
Pastoral Manager: Mrs R Morris

As we approach the end of the academic year, Year 9 students are receiving their summer assessment results and completing DIRT (Dedicated Improvement and Reflection Time). DIRT provides a valuable opportunity for students to reflect on their strengths and achievements, celebrate their successes, and identify areas where they can continue to improve. We encourage all students to engage positively with this process and use the feedback to support their future learning.

Hot Weather Reminder

As we continue to experience warm weather, students are permitted to wear their PE uniform to help keep cool throughout the school day. Please note that students must still wear their lanyards at all times.

We would also appreciate your support in ensuring your child comes to school with:

- A refillable water bottle to stay hydrated throughout the day
- Sun cream to help protect their skin during break and lunchtime

Thank you for helping us keep students safe and comfortable during the warmer weather.

Recent Achievements

Congratulations to the following students for their fantastic efforts this week:

- **Jess P (9F2)** – Excellent effort and contributions during English lessons. Keep up the brilliant work!
- **Reuben P (9F1)** – Excellent work using full sentences in French
- **Isobel H (9G2)** – Demonstrated good behaviour and engagement during discussions about kindness in tutor time
- **Jack B (9T2)** – Great work in Maths intervention
- **Tyler S (9D2)** – Awarded a Golden Ticket in Geography for making significant improvements, showing excellent effort, and asking thoughtful questions

Dare to Dream Programme

Thank you to all Year 9 students who took part in the Dare to Dream Programme. You engaged brilliantly with the activities and represented the year group exceptionally well during the visit to the WSP offices. We hope the experience has inspired you for the future, and we are grateful for your enthusiasm, positive participation, and valuable feedback to the WSP team.

Student Achievement Leaders

Congratulations to our highest house point earners:

1. **Abigail T (9F1)** – 5,100
2. **Savi C (9G2)** – 5,030
3. **Lyla J (9S3)** – 4,315
4. **Zach K (9S3)** – 4,295
5. **Lara M (9S3)** – 3,960

Fantastic achievements – keep up the excellent work!

A special congratulations to 9T2, who currently have the highest attendance in the year group at 92.6%.

Thank you for your continued support throughout the year. As we move towards the summer break, we encourage all students to maintain their excellent effort, attendance and positive attitude to learning. Well done, Year 9!

Mrs L Child

Deputy Head Year 9

Message from Mr Hayter

After 3 years with this amazing year group, my journey with Year 9 has come to an end as I will be relocated to work with the Year 7 team. I know many of you have already taken the time to speak with me and shared kind and positive words ahead of next year, thank you, it really is appreciated. I look forward to working with those of you with younger siblings of our current Year 9 students.

It has been an absolute pleasure to work with such a fantastic cohort, supporting them through their journey, celebrating their successes, and sharing so many experiences along the way including year 8 camp!

Although I will no longer be part of the cohort's pastoral team, I will be sure to keep an eye on how they are doing and seeing their continued progress and success in the school as I hopefully teach them in their remaining years ahead of celebrating with them at their Year 11 prom.

Mr Hayter

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GCSE Results Day Thursday 20 August 2026

Results will be available in person in the Main Hall from 9.00am-10.30am

We are looking forward to welcoming our Year 11 students on Results Day and celebrating their achievements. Photographs will be taken throughout the morning as students receive and celebrate their results.

Post-Results Services

Information about post-results services is available on the school website under [Examinations](#). Nearly all Year 11 students have already signed the consent form allowing the Exams Team to request a return of scripts and review of marking where appropriate.

Sixth Form Enrolment

Enrolment for Oxted Sixth Form will take place in the Main Hall foyer, with additional enrolment rooms in G5, G6 and G7.

All applicants will receive a letter in their results envelope confirming the outcome of their application. Outcomes may include:

- Admission to all chosen subjects
- Admission with changes to one or more subjects due to entry requirements
- Not meeting the entry requirements

Students who have not yet applied to the Sixth Form will have the opportunity to speak with the Sixth Form Team on the day.

Additional support will be available from the Careers Adviser for students exploring alternative pathways, while the Inclusion Team will be on hand throughout the Main Hall area and in G12 to provide guidance and a quiet space if needed.

Important Reminders

If a student is unable to attend Results Day, a nominated adult may collect their results on their behalf. Please ensure the GCSE Results Authorisation Form is completed and brought with them. Click [here](#) to access the form.

Sixth Form enrolment for students from other secondary schools will take place from 12.00pm to 2.00pm.

Alternative enrolment appointments will be available from 24–26 August for students from Oxted and other schools. To book a 10–15 minute appointment, please contact the Sixth Form Team at sixthformoffice@oxted.thpt.org.uk.

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Academic and Pastoral Administrator: Miss Henry

Year 13 Prom

The Year 13 Prom was a great success and enjoyed by all. The venue, Sweetwoods Golf club, sent a message afterwards to say how wonderful our students were during the evening. Thank you to Miller for taking lots of great photos and these have been uploaded to the Year 13 Teams page.



Year 13 Information

Parents and students are reminded to check the Letters Home section of the school website for important Year 13 communications, including information about:

- Results and UCAS Confirmation Day
- The Honours Board
- Graduation and Prizegiving
- The Yearbook

Links to all Year 13 letters can be found on the school website under [Letters Home](#).

Year 12 Work Experience Week

We are delighted that the majority of our Year 12 students have successfully secured work experience placements for next week. Students attending placements are encouraged to make the most of this valuable opportunity by checking expectations regarding working hours, dress code and any other requirements in advance.

We look forward to hearing about their experiences and seeing plenty of photographs from the week. The Sixth Form Team will also be contacting employers throughout the week to ensure placements are progressing well.

Students completing online work experience should report to the Library at 9.15am each day. Support will be available for any students who have not yet secured a virtual opportunity.

Oxted Pram Race

A huge congratulations to **Evan J, Alfie A, Elsie C and Harry B**, who represented Oxted School in this year's Oxted Pram Race.

Our Product Design students worked hard to design and build an impressive Oxted School House-themed vehicle. Elsie took her place in the pram while Ms Connell and the rest of the team pushed their creation through the course, all while being enthusiastically soaked by spectators along the way. A fantastic effort from everyone involved!

Welcoming Our New Year 12 Students

This week, we welcomed around 30 applicants from other schools for their Year 12 Transition Day. Students took part in a range of taster lessons and learned more about life in the Sixth Form.

Our current Year 12 students were excellent ambassadors, sharing advice and guidance about the transition to A Levels and Level 3 BTEC courses. Particular thanks go to:

Emily C, Savannah L, Jared P, Joe R, Lily-Anne W, Maisy S, Ellie S, Archie B, Bella S, Ben W and Maisy G-M, along with many others who contributed so positively throughout the morning.

The Junior Leadership Team, including our Student Presidents, also provided tours of the Sixth Form facilities. We have already received a great deal of positive feedback from visiting students and their families.



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Sixth Form Manager: Mrs K L'Estrange
Academic and Pastoral Administrator: Miss Henry

Apprenticeship Applications Support

Any current Year 12 students considering applying for an apprenticeship after Year 13 are encouraged to attend the online session:

Group Mentoring Session: Ace Your Apprenticeship Applications for 2027 – Pathway CTM

Further details can be found via the Pathway CTM website.

Year 12 End-of-Year Assembly

This week we held our final Year 12 assembly of the academic year, providing an opportunity to reflect on the many achievements, successes and contributions made by students across the Sixth Form.

Tutors were keen to celebrate those who have actively engaged with Sixth Form life, supported the wider school community and contributed to House events throughout the year.

Congratulations to the following students who received special recognition:

12D1

- Jared P
- Josh P
- Ellie S

12F1

- Jamie W
- Michael W

12G1

- Emily I
- Kayla O'S
- Callum O'R
- Alice R

12G2

- Bella S
- Charlotte B
- Evan J
- Logan M

12S1

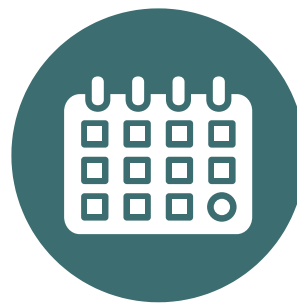
- Izzy T
- Lucy T
- Maty B
- Phoebe T
- Matilda W

12T1

- Emily C
- Imogen B
- Eryn F
- Takara C
- Lily K
- Olivier H
- Isaac J

Well done to all students on a successful year. We wish our Year 12 students a productive and rewarding work experience week and look forward to welcoming everyone back in September.

The Sixth Form Team



Key Dates

- **Monday 13 July** – Work Experience Week
- **Thursday 16 July** – Year 12 Reports
- **Wednesday 22 July** – Last Day of Term
- **Friday 31 July** – Deadline for Ordering a Year 13 Leavers' Yearbook
- **Thursday 13 August** – Year 13 Results Day, UCAS Confirmation and Clearing Day
- **Thursday 20 August** – GCSE Results Day
- **Wednesday 2 September** – New Year 12 Induction Day
- **Thursday 3 September** – Graduation and Prizegiving, from 6pm

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We would like to remind families about the importance of staying safe around water.

Surrey Police have asked schools to highlight the dangers of swimming in open or unfamiliar waters such as rivers, lakes, reservoirs and quarries. Although these places may look safe and appealing during hot weather, they can be extremely dangerous. Hidden currents, sudden drops, cold water shock, poor water quality and submerged obstacles can all pose serious risks.

Please could we ask for your support in reminding your child to:

- Avoid entering unfamiliar or unsupervised water
- Only swim in designated, supervised areas
- Stay with friends and never take unnecessary risks
- Recognise how quickly situations in water can become dangerous

We want all our children to enjoy the sunshine safely and responsibly over the coming weeks.

