

# E-Bulletin

Summer

2021

## Oasis Academy Silvertown Summer Newsletter



@OasisSilvertown

## Principal's Message

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has, as ever, been an enormous privilege to educate our Silvertown students this busy term. I continue to be proud of their professionalism, integrity and resilience as they have worked through their summer assessments, as well as being able to return to some normality through the activities, trips and visits offered this term to further build their social and cultural capital. It was lovely to see some of you at our virtual summer "Coffee and Catch Up" where parents had the opportunity to meet Ms Emily Boxer, who has taken on the role of Acting Principal late in the summer term for my maternity leave. Ms Boxer is an experienced leader, having served as Deputy Principal at the academy for some years, and knows our staff, students and community well. I am delighted that she will be leading the academy and ensuring our Silvertown family continue to move from strength to strength.

### Highlights

Some of our highlights this term have been the return of our annual "Futures Week" in May, where our students had the opportunity to visit Oxford University and take part in workshops with professionals including a mock trial with a judge. During Futures week, we also held our first alumni assembly, welcoming back Flourish from our 2019 cohort for a Q&A session with students. A Year 11 panel of students also gave advice to Years 7, 8 and 9 about how to achieve success. We are also proud to feature our second alumni interview from our class of 2020 in this newsletter. Our second graduating cohort are now mid-way through their studies at sixth form and preparing for their final year. You can read about Luri's journey at Oasis Silvertown and his plans for the future later in this newsletter. Look out for our alumni section on our website <https://www.oasisacademysilvertown.org/curriculum/alumni> and, if you are an Oasis Silvertown alumnus, please get in touch with us and let us know about your successes at [alumni@oasisilvertown.org](mailto:alumni@oasisilvertown.org). We'd love to hear from you!

We are also delighted to have hosted both Enrichment and Celebration week at the end of term; you can read more about the activities and opportunities our students had including workshops in coding, forensic science and construction, as well as community appreciation visits, museum visits and of course, sports day! We also said farewell to our incredible Year 11s, who completed their assessments in May; we look forward to celebrating success with them on Results Day on 12 August 2021.

*Our Academy Re-opens for all year groups on:  
Tuesday 07 September 2021*

- **Awards**



We were delighted to have received the Inclusion Quality mark (IQM) Award earlier this term, which recognises the academy’s significant commitment to ensuring our Silvertown family is a fully inclusive community where all can achieve success, where staff and students are valued and supported and which promotes equality and celebrates diversity. This award is the result of the hard work of our students, staff and testament to our warm “family” culture, which together with the highest expectations, ensures we continue to achieve excellent outcomes together. We are also delighted to have been nominated as a “Centre of Excellence” for the IQM Award and will continue to develop our work in this important area.

## **Update on our Permanent Home**

Progress on our permanent build is well on track and we are due to move into our new home in February 2022. You can read later in this newsletter about our “Topping Out” ceremony in early July. You will receive more detail from us in the autumn term about the move and key dates for your diary.



**Progress on our Permanent Build**

- **News**

We say farewell to some staff this term, as they move on to new roles. We thank Mrs Gill, Ms Omar Ms Hirani and Mrs Waisome for their incredible hard work and commitment to the academy over many years with us and wish them well in the future. We welcome Ms Marsden, Assistant Principal and Ms Kingdon, Curriculum lead for English and Drama, back from their maternity leave this term. We also wish Ms Perry and Mrs Spargo well as they begin their maternity leave in early September.

Finally, I would like to take the opportunity to thank you for your support of the academy, and I wish you and your family a restful, peaceful and safe summer holiday.

Best wishes

Ms Johanna Thompson  
**Principal**

## “Topping Out” Ceremony at our permanent build

On Friday 02 July we attended the “topping out ceremony” at the site of our permanent build at West Silvertown. This ceremony celebrated the build reaching its full height and included guests from the Department for Education, Morgan Sindall (building contractor) and John Murphy, CEO of Oasis Community Learning. A small group of Year 8 and 10 students attended with Ms Thompson and had the opportunity to enjoy the panoramic views from the roof as well as hear speeches from John Murphy, Morgan Sindall and the architect who designed the build.

Year 8 and 10 students with John Murphy, CEO of Oasis



Community Learning, enjoying the view from the rooftop of our permanent build.

We are very much looking forward to the enhanced facilities our permanent building will offer our students and the community, including excellent sports, music and arts facilities. Community is at the heart of the permanent build’s design, with education and social spaces spread across different levels to create a holistic learning and development experience for our students. We are looking forward to moving there in February 2022!

Ms Johanna Thompson



## Jack Petchey ‘Speak Out’ Challenge

We were delighted to receive trainers from Jack Petchey’s ‘Speak Out’ Challenge to our academy in June, who ran a full day workshop for all Year 10 students. Students worked on their communication skills by crafting a speech about

any topic that they were passionate about. Students worked on different areas of their oracy whilst crafting their speeches; vocal skills, body



language and content were key areas of focus. Some of the best speeches heard focussed on ending racism, leading a life of purpose, being true to yourself and the tragedy of youth violence. At the end of the workshop, 38 of 49 students felt that they had increased their confidence, including 11 of 12 students who said they had little to no confidence speaking in front of their peers at the start of the workshop. Well done to Year 10s for all their fantastic work and for beginning to find their voice!

Mr Cedric Hui



## English and Drama Update

In English, students have been working hard towards their final assessments, which were completed during the opening 4 weeks of term. Year 7 and Year 9 were focusing on their poetry anthologies, whilst Year 8 completed the reading of ‘Animal Farm’. Our Year 10s have also just completed their mock series, and we have been thrilled by their hard work and dedication to their own progress in the build up to Year 11! In Drama, we have been so impressed by the teamwork, creativity and confidence of our young people as they have performed their devised performances for their assessments.

Mr Harry Norman-Walker



## PE Department News

The PE department have been so proud of all of our students following the assessments. We are incredibly proud of all the effort our students put into their PE work during lockdown and in school this year.

The PE department are really looking forward to teaching you all again next year and we are

excited to be moving into our new home and to start using the fantastic facilities that will be available to the PE department. We are overjoyed that you will all be a part of the journey and get to use the best facilities.

On the 19 July students took part in Sports Day at Newham Leisure centre and competed in a number of events including the 800m, 400m, 200m and the showpiece finale the 100m sprint. It was a glorious day with the weather truly on our side, all the students showed commitment and dedication and persevered through the hot weather to complete a truly exciting day for all involved. Medals will be handed out to students when we return in September.

Thank you to all of our students for all of their hard work in PE this year, we have enjoyed teaching you so much. We would also like to thank all parents and carers for all of your support. We wish you all a happy and healthy holidays.

Mr Sam Polston, Mr Dan Simons, Miss Zainab Ayinde and Mr Hamsa Warsame



## Modern Foreign Language (MFL) Update

We have had a very busy term in the MFL department! Students have been working hard towards their assessments and a special well done to all Year 7 and 8 students who have completed speaking tests in the last few weeks. We know how important practice speaking assessments are for preparing our students for their GCSE speaking exams, but we also know how nerve-wracking it can be. Despite a difficult year with lots of disruption to teaching, these



# duolingo

speaking tests have really been the best we've ever seen at Silvertown and we are all so proud of how much vocabulary our students have learnt this year and how incredible their accents are.

Students also had the opportunity during Futures week to meet different professionals who work with Languages. Year 7 and 9 students had a session with Linguistics researchers from the University of Oxford. Year 8 students took part in masterclasses in Law, Journalism and Interpreting with professionals who use their languages regularly in their careers.

Year 9 students were also introduced to a civil servant from the Cabinet office who works in diplomacy with the British Embassy in Paris. It is so important that our students learn about the incredible opportunities available to them if they learn and study languages at school and university. In order to build confidence and knowledge it is vital that students regularly spend time learning vocabulary.

As always, your child will be issued with a booklet of vocabulary learning to complete over the holiday, please support them in completing this. Little and often is much more effective than trying to do it all in one go. If your child is reluctant or lacks confidence it can help to do this together. We also recommend that all students sign up for Duolingo on their school iPads and complete activities regularly on there to build fluency. Once again a huge well done to all of our students in Languages - we are so proud of you!

Mrs Clare Spargo



## Maths and Computing News

The Maths department is incredibly proud of all students have achieved throughout the year despite the many challenges due to lock down. Students had a mixture of remote learning and face-to-face learning throughout the year. The Maths team thought carefully about opportunities that could motivate students after their return to face-to-face learning. We introduced a Hegarty Maths MemRi competition where students in each class would complete as many questions as possible weekly on MemRi and the top three students each week were awarded 5 merits each. Many students bought into the initiative and were very excited to compete in the weekly challenge.

Another success that the Maths department had post lock down is the Maths Games Club that was introduced to Year 7 students this term. The Year 7 students were fascinated by the Club and even asked if they could have the Club one hour after

school instead of lunch time as they needed more time to play the games.

We are also pleased to inform you that STEM day which was postponed in December 2020 was held during the Summer term. STEM day was indeed a success as students were given the opportunity to participate in several different enrichment activities such as Maths Games, Coding workshop, Construction workshop, Dissection workshop, Forensic workshop, Geobus workshop,



trip to the zoo just to name a few. There were also STEM ambassadors who shared their career journey in an assembly that was held before the enrichment sessions. Students were very engaged throughout the assembly and asked several questions relating to STEM related careers. One of the speakers is also a past student at Oasis Academy Silvertown who has just finished sixth form and will be studying a career in medicine in September. Thank you for continuing to support your child while we continue to give them the best possible education for them to reach their future goals. We wish all our students a safe, fun, and restful summer break.

Mrs Coreen Grant-Nembhard, Dr Mundeep Gill, Ms Shirhan Omar and Mr Dwayne Rowe



## Music Update

It has been a busy and productive term in the music department. Students have contributed to several external performances, with singers in Year 8 being part of a virtual online Newham choir through the Newham Harmony programme. Year 7 students continued working on playing some orchestral pieces in the first half of this term, after their successful virtual rehearsal and performance day just before Easter. Six students in Years 7-9 entered a national virtual drum battle, we are still awaiting the results of this. It has been great to see practical music making once again being at the forefront of our student's lives, with

performances in assembly every week by a variety of students from Year 10 to Year 7.



Year 8 Drumming

Some highlights of the term have been Year 8 and Year 9 band club, both groups have worked incredibly hard and improved their musical abilities greatly. In enrichment day last week, we were lucky enough to be visited by many professional musicians. Students experienced steel pan playing, djembe drumming, song writing, producing, beatboxing, gospel singing, beat-making and konnakol music, a type of Indian classical music.



Samba on the playground

Miss Helen Hadley



## Enrichment Week

In the penultimate week of term, we caught up on many of the enrichment opportunities that we missed out on this year due to COVID-19 restrictions. We held an expressive arts day, a community day, a STEM day and our first ever global citizens day.



Year 7 at London Zoo

Our students visited London Zoo, took part in construction workshops with Morgan Sindall, completed ecology studies in local parks and volunteered in the local community collecting litter and sharing appreciation notes and gifts with local services.



Year 8 Construction Workshop with Morgan Sindall

We continue to be committed to providing a broad range of enrichment opportunities for our students so that they can try out new skills, find out about a range of careers, meet professionals and grow as people.

Ms Emily Boxer



## Celebration Week

This year we held our first ever celebration week! Year 9 students had a special graduation event where their achievements were celebrated, key members of staff shared their reflections and student leaders spoke to their peers. Parents were invited to watch this special event online and all students took home their graduation certificate with them.



Year 9 Graduation Scrolls

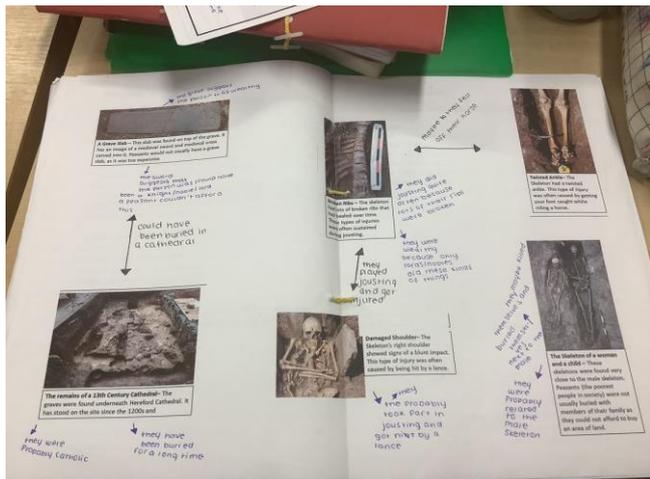
Our Year 9s also took part in options taster sessions during this week, joining their new classes for the first time and having a taster of the Year 10 GCSE learning that they can look forward to in September.



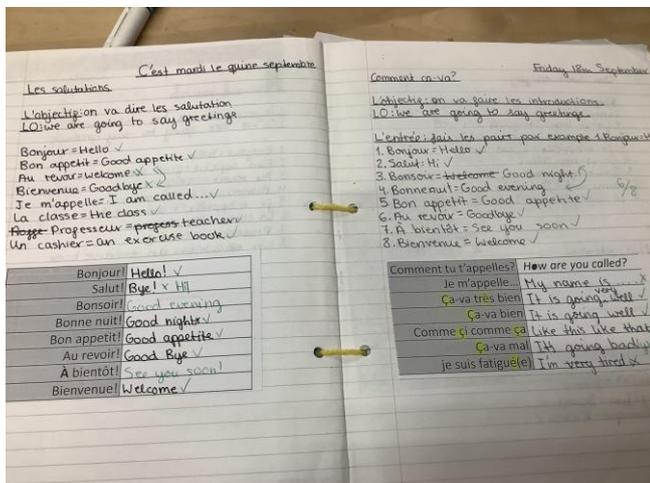
Year 9 Graduation

Year 7 and 8 took photos of their best work of the year and submitted it for showing in their exhibition events. Heads of Year and student leaders spoke to students and parents and photos of student work were exhibited so that we could celebrate every student's success this year.

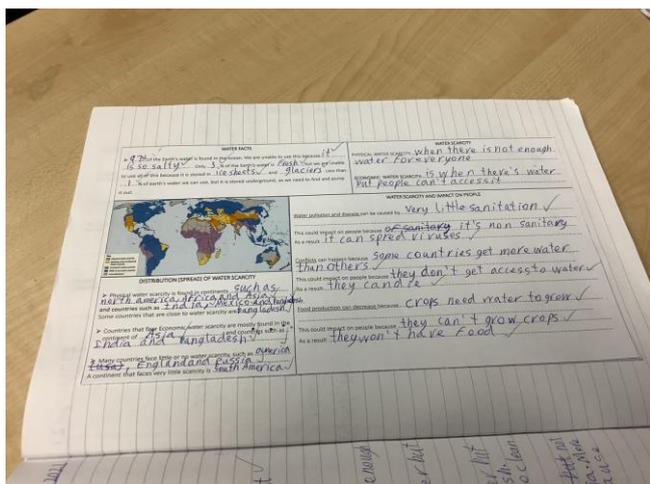
# Silvertown News



Excel's History Work (Year 7)

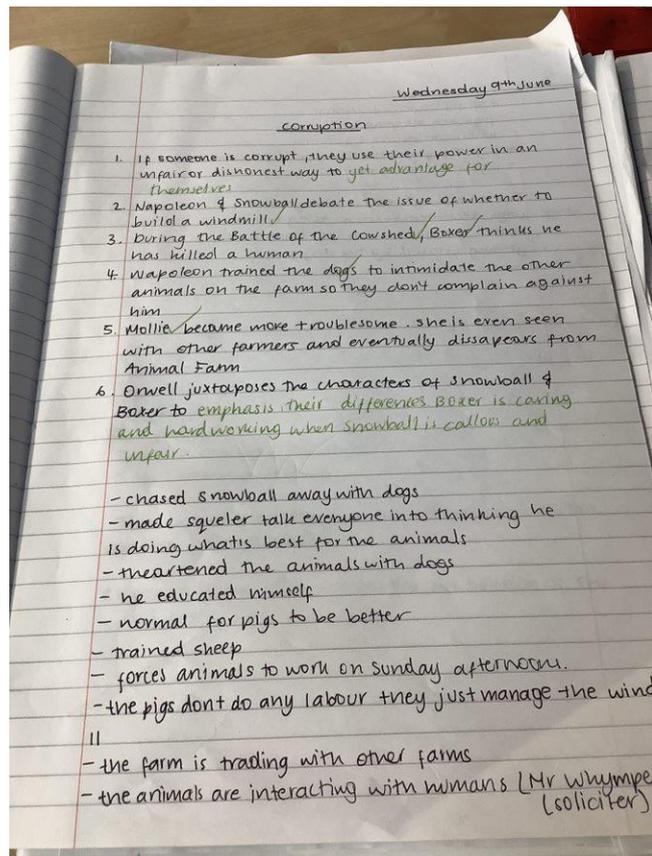


Perla's French Work (Year 7)



Yasser's Geography Work (Year 8)

Finally at the end of the week, all students attended their celebration assembly where we watched musical performances, listened to student leaders speak and received certificates for achievement, effort, attendance and great character. We love to celebrate our students' success and were delighted to have so many opportunities to do it this year!



English Work (Year 8)

Ms Emily Boxer



## Science Department News

The science department have been so proud of all of our students following the assessments. We are incredibly proud of all the effort our students put into their science work during lockdown and in school this year. We have continued to set homework on Educake, and the current leaders for numbers of questions answered are featured in the table that follows, these are some incredible achievements and show just how motivated you all are!

Year	Name	Questions answered
11	Michelle	4994
10	Polina	2745
9	Liza Mar	4330
8	Ayomide	2028
7	Verity	1555

Well done to all of those students – this shows the outstanding effort you are putting in at home!

On 13 July students took part in a STEM Enrichment day and had the opportunity to visit

the Barbican Exhibition, the Zoo and The Olympic park to study ecology. In school, students were also given the opportunity to participate in forensic science, engineering, geology, coding, construction and dissection activities. Students also had the opportunity to meet professionals in this fields. It was a great day.

Thank you to all of our students for all of their hard work in science this half term, we have enjoyed teaching you so much. We would also like to thank all parents and carers for all of your support. We wish you all a happy and healthy holiday.

Miss Rosie Davies, Miss Raisa Ahmed, Mr Darlington Nuwerty and Mr James Gordon



## Meet our Family! Mr Rowe – Maths Teacher

### **1. What is your role at Oasis Silvertown and what does a typical day look like for you?**

I am a Maths teacher at Oasis Silvertown with the added role of KS3 curriculum lead for Maths. One of my favourite parts of my job is that there is no true 'typical' day - everyday can be different. However, there some routines that I generally follow. I arrive at work around 7.30am, this gives me enough time to ensure that all resources for my lessons are prepared. I then meet with my coaching group where I interact with my tutor group. This is really beneficial to the students and myself because we get to know each other by bonding and appreciating different views and opinions. Following tutor time, I go to my Maths lessons where I have interactive lessons. I really enjoy break and lunch time primarily because they allow me to interact with students who I might not teach. This also allows me to be involved with games and other activities that the students take part in, which provide me the opportunity to build meaningful relationships. Generally, if I am not with the students, I am with teachers interacting and getting to know each other. I also get involved in after school activities. If I am not running an enrichment activity; I get involved in all the sporting activities. The students really appreciate a staff member taking the time out to interact with them in this way. After these activities I usually spend some time preparing resources for my lessons the following day.

### **2. What do you love about your role?**

What I really love about my role is that I get the opportunity to demonstrate to the students the

passion I have for Maths. I love the fact that I can also collaborate with different members in the department to implement strategies in making the department more efficient. We share the same vision and are dedicated to the mission. This truly creates a family environment where everybody is there for each other.



Mr Rowe – Maths Teacher

### **3. What are your hobbies and interests?**

I have a variety of hobbies. I am a lover of sports; it does not matter what sport is it. I also love watching movies. I find great joy in fixing broken computers. One of my greatest interests is in farming, every year in the summer I plant various vegetables in my back garden.

### **4. Why do you enjoy working at Oasis Silvertown and what have been the highlights of your time here?**

Oasis Silvertown is very diverse as it relates to ethnicity. The school is very inclusive for both staff and students and the best part of the diversity is that everyone works in collaboration to accomplish the same mission. The school has a family orientated environment. The ethos of the school makes me feel comfortable. My highlights so far include: working with staff members who are friendly, building meaningful relationships with the students which pave the way for the future.

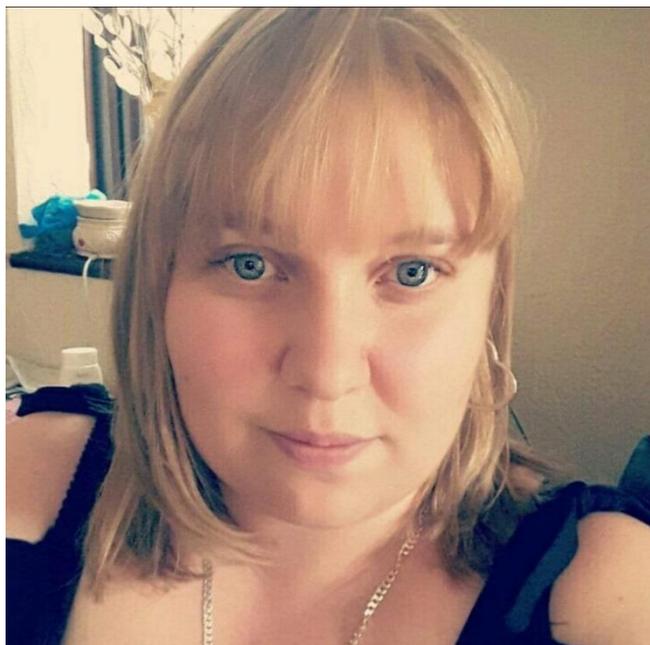
Mr Dwayne Rowe



## Meet our Family! Ms Perry – Attendance & Admissions Officer

### **1. What is your role at Oasis Silvertown and what does a typical day look like for you?**

I am the attendance and admissions officer and have been for almost 5 years. A typical day for me is arriving at 8am and taking calls and making sure all the students are in school. I also help support our amazing Deans of Students throughout the day where needed and making sure registers are completed throughout the day. I also speak with Newham Council regarding students on our waiting list and contact parents and students of new starters.



Ms Gemma Perry – Attendance & Admissions Officer

### **2. What do you love about your role?**

Working with some amazing people and all of our amazing children who make me laugh and make every day different. I also enjoy talking to lots of different parents and helping and supporting where I can.

### **3. What are your hobbies and interests?**

I love spending time with my family and friends and try to do this as often as possible. I like to read often mostly real life books when I get a quiet minute.

### **4. Why do you enjoy working at Oasis Silvertown and what have been the highlights of your time here?**

I have been at Oasis Silvertown for almost 5 years and I have met and learnt so much from so many amazing adults and children. One of my highlights would have to be watching our Year 11s getting their GCSE results and going on to do such amazing things and knowing they still come back to visit often.

Ms Gemma Perry



## Meet our Alumni! Iuri Silva Rego – Class of 2020

### **1. Tell us a bit about you and what you are doing now.**

I am currently studying A-levels in Psychology, Sociology and Economics at Chobham Academy Sixth Form. I chose Psychology because I am interested in learning about how the human mind works and how many factors influence our behaviour e.g. the environment or our biological structures like DNA. I also chose Sociology because it looks at how everyone plays a major role in society and if we do not do our bit, society will collapse due to instability. Lastly, I chose Economics because it provides you with many transferable skills such as reasoning and critical evaluation which are highly needed when studying any subject at higher education.

### **2. What are your plans for the future?**

My plan for the future is to study Psychology at a Russell Group University. I am currently preparing to apply to study psychology at Cambridge and other universities such as Kings College London, University of Westminster and some more. When studying psychology at university, I would like to pursue the module of forensic psychology and get a degree in it. As a result, I will be one step forward to achieving my dream job which is to do criminal investigations with a forensic psychology degree.

### **3. What did you value about your time at OAS?**

What I valued the most about OAS was that it had a feeling of a family community. This is because in school everyone interacted with each other no matter the year group they were in. For example, coaching groups were always mixed in terms of year groups so this just made it easier to connect to other people you may have not thought about talking to ever. As everyone spoke to each other and knew everyone, there was a strong sense of belonging and familiarity which I really enjoyed the most about OAS. Through this joyful experience,

I made many friends and therefore always felt comforted and cared for when studying in OAS.



Iuri – Class of 2020

#### **4. What subjects did you really enjoy and why?**

Throughout my studies in OAS I found that I most enjoyed Triple science, German and Geography. My favourite subject was Triple science because the lessons and content were always engaging. I found that I enjoyed Biology the most because I loved learning about the human body and the key processes that the body undergoes in order to function such as respiration. Plus, topic 3 – infection and response was very interesting to learn about as it looked at white blood cells and how they fight pathogens which is very cool. Furthermore, in Chemistry we conducted many exciting experiments such as the flame test for metal ions where each metal under the Bunsen burner would let out a coloured flame. Overall, I enjoyed triple science the most because Mr Barlow and Miss Davies were amazing science teachers as they were always kind in lessons and showed a huge amount of passion for their subject.

#### **5. What were your proudest moments at OAS?**

One of my proudest moments at OAS is going back to school on the 20 August and collecting my GCSE results to find out I did really well and had achieved consistently grade 7s and 8s. I felt so proud of myself because all that hard work and stress had finally paid off. As members of staff were also there to congratulate me on my journey, it made this experience even better. Another proud moment that I experienced was becoming head boy because there was a long process that

had to occur in order to be given that role. For example, it consisted of becoming a prefect already, writing a letter to Miss Thompson about how I would be suitable for the role and then having to write an actual speech and perform it for 2-3 minutes in the assembly hall in front of everyone. I am most proud about this because I showed huge amounts of dedication and determination because I had to redraft my speech multiple times so that it was precise and coherent. It also took huge amounts of effort and courage to perform it in front of friends and teachers to get feedback and the most challenging which was to perform it from memory in front of the whole school. After doing the speech from memory, it felt incredible as everyone was clapping and cheering for me. Additionally, I felt honoured when people were voting for me and coming up to me saying how well I did and how they enjoyed my speech.

#### **6. What support were you given at OAS which helped you make choices about your future and prepared you for sixth form?**

Mr Gordon helped a lot when it came to sixth form applications because he held many post-16 events where many representatives from different sixth forms would come in and talk to us about their college and what they can provide for us e.g. facilities or extracurricular activities. I found these post-16 events very useful because they provided meaning, insight and depth into what college life looked like at various places which overall helped me to understand what I really wanted from a college. There were also many networking events organised where we would be able to interview workers and talk to them about their career paths. I found this extremely helpful because it allowed me to speak to many individuals about their careers which motivated me to do more independent research at home regarding the subjects I may want to take at A-level. In addition, I had a lot of support from many staff members especially my mentor and form tutor who helped to ensure my applications were in by the deadline and that I was comfortable and happy with the sixth form choices I made.

#### **7. Why would you recommend OAS as a place to study?**

I recommend OAS as a place to study because the school prepares its students to be 'ready for university, ready to lead' and this is done through their excellent teaching and the amount of resources which are provided to students in order to assist them in their studies. Most importantly, the school also has a family community atmosphere which is extremely important because

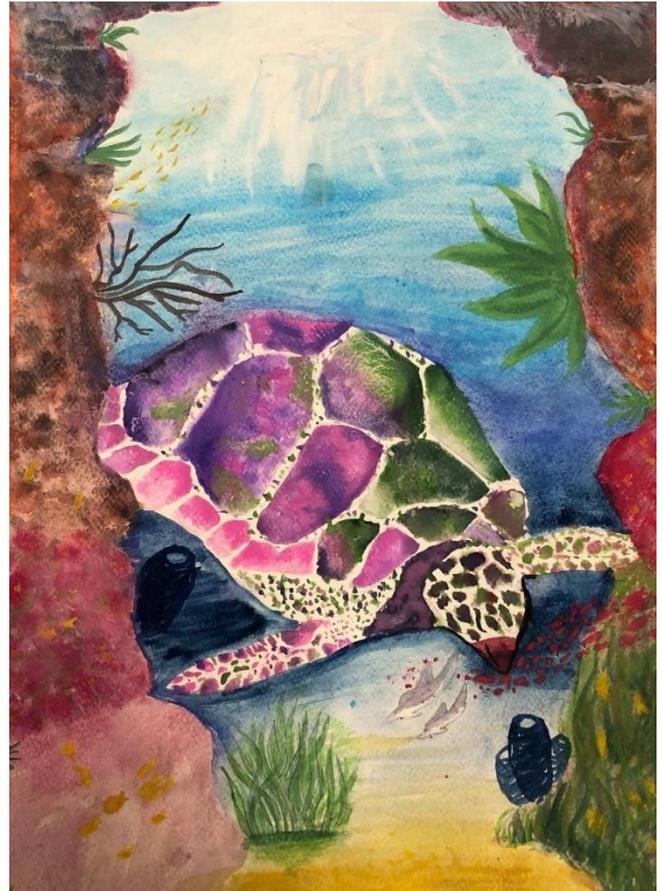
it makes students feel more relaxed at school and more included within it. Therefore, OAS is a place where you can trust that your child will excel in their qualifications and develop the vital and necessary skills which are both required for college and in the workplace.

Master Iuri Silva Rego



## Class of 2020 GCSE Art Exhibition

Morgan Sindall Construction are proudly exhibiting our class of 2020 GCSE Art work on boards around the new school site. Due to covid restrictions, the year group were unable to hold a school exhibition as they normally would. If you are passing the new site, please go along to view the exhibition.



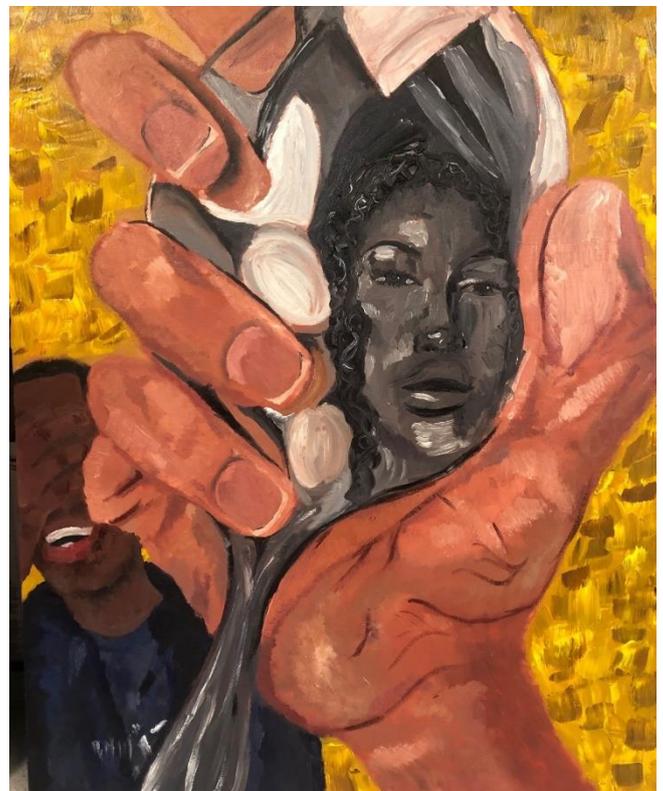
Class of 2020 GCSE Art Exhibition Piece



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Class of 2020 GCSE Art Exhibition Piece

Mrs Nadya Waisome



## Year 8 Mexican Day of the Dead T-shirts

Our Year 8 students completed a Textiles T-shirt project this term where they designed and decorated T-shirts in line with a design brief and the theme of Mexican Day of the Dead. They used stencil printing techniques and some students went on to also apply hand embroidery to their final T-shirts. Oasis Academy Silvertown put on their very first staff fashion show featuring the work of the Year 8 students.



L-R Mr Chad Moses, Mr Rob Hayes, Mr Kenneth Udeoka



L-R Mrs Coreen Grant-Nembhard, Ms Helen Hadley, Mrs Nadya Waisome

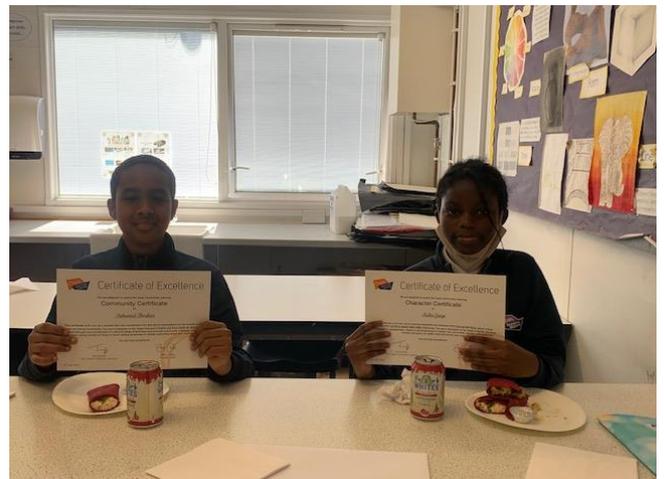


L-R Mr Sam Polston, Mrs Clare Spargo, Ms Emma Kingdon

Mrs Nadya Waisome



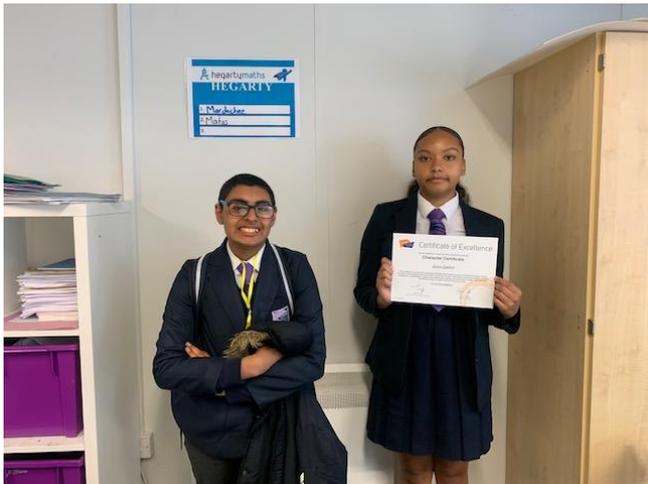
## OCL National Student Awards 2021



Mohamed and Aicha Year 8 with their certificates for "Community" and "Character" at the Virtual National OCL Student Awards.

On Friday 09 July five of our amazing students gathered together for a special afternoon tea whilst participating in the Oasis National Student Awards. The National Student Awards is one of

the largest events Oasis holds, bringing together our family from across all 52 of our academies in honour of our students and their achievements. This year, due to the pandemic, the event took place virtually. Five students were nominated for the awards from Oasis Silvertown. These were Dhillon Year 10 (Community), Lauren Year 11 (Character), Aman Year 9 (Competence), Mohamed Year 8 (Community) and Aicha Year 8 (Character). Well done students, we are so proud of you!



Lauren (Year 11) and Aman (Year 9) with their certificates for "Competence" and "Character" at the Virtual National OCL Student Awards

Ms Johanna Thompson



## Stephen Lawrence Day

### 'Cause I'm black

By Jayden

'Cause I'm black I don't fight,  
'Cause I'm black I don't bite,  
'Cause I'm black you call me night,  
'Cause I'm black I have no birth right,

'Cause I'm black I'm treated unequal  
'Cause I'm black I'm don't recoil  
'Cause I'm black I'm estranged  
'Cause I'm black I want a change

'Cause I'm black I will fight for my right  
'Cause I'm black I will bite  
'Cause I'm black you can't call me night  
'Cause I'm black I have birth right

'Cause I'm black It's not equal  
'Cause I'm black I do recoil  
'Cause I'm black I have to pay  
'Cause I'm black - Bless Stephen Lawrence Day!

'Cause I'm black' by Jayden Year 9



Portrait by Daniella Year 8

This year we marked Stephen Lawrence day with PSHE sessions, an assembly and a competition. Students were invited to submit a picture, poem, presentation or anything else inspired by Stephen Lawrence day. The competition was between students at all Oasis Academies across the England and so we were delighted that two of our students submitted winning entries!

Congratulations to Jayden for his poem and Daniella for her drawing.

Ms Emily Boxer



## Mentoring Programme – WSF

This term we have worked with two organisations to run mentoring programmes for Year 9 and Year 10 students. West Silvertown Foundation recruited and trained local professionals who ran a 12 week programme working one to one with 35 Year 10 students.



Year 10 mentoring sessions in the playground with West Silvertown Foundation Volunteers

Mentoring sessions focused on career aspirations and preparation as well as personal development. West Silvertown Foundation will run the programme again in the Autumn term. If you would like to make a difference to one of our students' lives, please email [manager@wsfroyaldocks.org](mailto:manager@wsfroyaldocks.org)

London City Airport and 15 Billion have also run a mentoring programme this year. This has been for a group of our year 9 students who are exploring future career paths, motivation and aspiration. We are looking forward to continuing this exciting partnership in September.

Ms Emily Boxer



## Summer Activities

There are so many things for children, young people and families to do in the summer in Newham! West Silvertown Foundation and other organisations are running brilliant programmes throughout the holidays. For more information, click below:

<https://www.newham.gov.uk/downloads/file/3446/summer-21-activities-3>



Ms Emily Boxer



## MCAS Reminder

We have changed how we communicate with our parents, as of February 2021 when we rolled out the My Child At School App (MCAS). We are asking all parents to follow the instructions, provided in this link to our website, <https://www.oasisacademysilvertown.org/academy-life/my-child-at-school-mcas> to access step by step details on how to install the app on your phones, laptop or desktop; This will give you access to and allow you to receive;

- Messages from us
- Letters and reports
- Update your contact information
- Grant permission/consent
- View your child's attendance
- View your child's timetable/classes
- View our academic calendar



Bromcom's MyChildAtSchool Parental Portal (MCAS)

We strongly recommend that you use the mobile phone app, as this will send notifications to you immediately to alert you of new communications sent by the Academy, whereas laptops and desktops, do not have this notification option. By signing up with the app, it will be more convenient for you to access information, and we will be able to save money on text message fees and printing costs.

If you require assistance with this please contact the academy on [office@oasissilvertown.org](mailto:office@oasissilvertown.org) and we will be happy to support you.

Mrs Anna DuCran

At Silvertown, we are committed to supporting all of our students and their families during these uncertain and challenging times. If you feel that anyone in your family needs to talk to someone, seek support from a service or find out more details on what is available, we hope the providers listed below will help address your needs.

If you or your family are in immediate danger, please contact the emergency services by dialling 999. If you have an urgent safeguarding concern which cannot be resolved by using the services listed below you can contact a member of the safeguarding team during the summer holidays via the **Silvertown safeguarding email: [safeguarding@oasissilvertown.org](mailto:safeguarding@oasissilvertown.org)** A member of the Academy Leadership team will respond within 24 hours.

If your concern cannot wait for a response within 24 hours, you can contact Oasis National office 020 7921 4200

Name of the service	What does the service offer?	Contact Details
<b>National Online Safety</b>	A breadth of interactive services, which parents can access to support with parenting, mental health, wellbeing and other useful tips during self-isolation and government guidance. This service also offers an instant messaging app to support you with your questions and queries	Website <a href="https://nationalonlinesafety.com/guides">https://nationalonlinesafety.com/guides</a> General enquires <a href="mailto:hello@nationalonlinesafety.com">hello@nationalonlinesafety.com</a> Telephone 0800 368 8061
<b>Newham Council</b>	Where to find help is set out on the council's website.	Website <a href="https://www.newham.gov.uk/">https://www.newham.gov.uk/</a> Telephone 0208 430 2000 (Mon-Fri, 8.30-5pm)
<b>Childline</b>	A service which is available for all children to use for support on managing anxiety, domestic abuse, helping a friend, reporting online abuse, depression, boosting your mood and eating habits. This service also has an instant messaging service which is designed to help navigate you to the right areas and seek the support you need	Website <a href="https://www.childline.org.uk">https://www.childline.org.uk</a> Telephone 0800 1111
<b>Family Lives</b>	Support for parents on mental health, relationships, bullying, development and more. This service offers a phone line service and an additional skype service too. This service is operational between the hours of 9am – 9pm Monday to Friday and 10am – 3pm on Saturday and Sunday.	Website <a href="http://www.familylives.org.uk">www.familylives.org.uk</a> Telephone 0808 800 2222 Skype <a href="http://www.skype.com">www.skype.com</a> (open Skype Dialler and call 0808 800 2222)
<b>Yellow Door</b>	A service, which is available for children to access and gain the support from domestic and sexual abuse. The helplines are open between 12:00 – 3pm Monday – Friday and equally offers a Polish service by calling 02380 636313 within the same timings.	Website <a href="https://www.yellowdoor.org.uk">https://www.yellowdoor.org.uk</a> Telephone 02380 636313

<b>Simon Says</b>	A service, which is designed to help children and young people affected by bereavement. You can also sign up and follow Simon Says via Facebook.	Website <a href="http://www.simonsays.org.uk">www.simonsays.org.uk</a> Telephone 02380 647550
<b>No Limits</b>	A service offering 1:1 telephone counselling and 1:1 web chats to young people in Southampton.	Website <a href="https://nolimitshelp.org.uk">https://nolimitshelp.org.uk</a> Telephone 02380 224224
<b>Scams</b>	Please be aware that there are a number of scams at the moment. Please take care.	Government Website <a href="https://www.gov.uk/government/news/be-vigilant-against-coronavirus-scams">https://www.gov.uk/government/news/be-vigilant-against-coronavirus-scams</a>
<b>HeadStart</b>	HeadStart Newham is a mental health service improving lives for young people and families in Newham. The service is funded by The National Lottery Community Fund and delivered in partnership with The London Borough of Newham.	Website: <a href="https://www.headstartnewham.co.uk/">https://www.headstartnewham.co.uk/</a>  Telephone 020 33739983 E:
<b>Kooth</b>	Kooth, from XenZone, is an online counselling and emotional well-being platform accessible through mobile, tablet and desktop and free at the point of need.	Website: <a href="https://www.kooth.com/">https://www.kooth.com/</a>
<b>Place2Be</b>	Place2Be is a children's mental health charity with over 25 years' experience working with pupils, families and staff in UK schools. They provide mental health support.	Website: <a href="https://www.place2be.org.uk">https://www.place2be.org.uk</a>  Text help to 85258
<b>West Silvertown Foundation</b>	Relieve people in need and hardship Encourage healthy living Advance life-long learning Celebrate the arts and our rich cultural and historic heritage Help to create a vibrant and sustainable social and physical environment	Website: <a href="https://wsfroyaldocks.org/">https://wsfroyaldocks.org/</a>
<b>Local Information</b>	Newham has created a database on the OASLinked website where you can search for help, guidance and service. Here, you can find information and support on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Food bank</li><li>• Food parcels</li><li>• Support services</li><li>• Helplines</li><li>• Community based support groups</li><li>• Debt management</li></ul>	Website <a href="https://www.oasisacademysilvertown.org/uploaded/Silvertown/Academy_Life/Safeguarding/Covid_19/Support_for_Newham_Families.pdf">https://www.oasisacademysilvertown.org/uploaded/Silvertown/Academy_Life/Safeguarding/Covid_19/Support_for_Newham_Families.pdf</a>

<b>Internet matters.org</b>	Internet matters guide on; <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Getting screen time balances</li><li>• Screen time age guides</li><li>• Parent's tope screen time tips</li></ul> Get tips on learning safe internet access for your child.	Website: <a href="https://www.internetmatters.org/issues/screen-time">https://www.internetmatters.org/issues/screen-time</a>
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