Unified Academy Newsletter

DON'T FORGET!

Reminders

- Nurses will be in during March for the Year 9 vaccinations - DTP & MEN ACWY
- Please remember to bring in PE kits or wear suitable clothing & footwear for PE
- Whilst this awful weather is set to continue, please bring coats into school

Legends of the week!

Thrive = Leo
KS3A = Hayden
KS3B = Alfie
KS3C = Daniel
9A = Alfie
9B = James
Year 10 = Callum
Year 11 = Ronnie
Super Legend of the week = Lucas Chapman

Rocking it!!

Modroc sculptures

This half term, KS3A have been studying Alberto Giacometti - the Swiss sculptor, painter, draftsman and printmaker. who was one of the most important sculptors of the 20th century. They have been inspired by his tall, slender figures with elongated limbs & have been creating their very own!
Students were asked to think about the mood of their sculpture before then twisting wire as an amrmature to hold it up & then finally covering this with Modroc.
Next week, the students will paint their sculptures & hope to show off their skills by inviting SLT & other staff to visit the Art room in ntheir very own exhibition!

Skating on thin ice!

This half term, some students opted for ice-skating during their PD sessions. Each week, they have been growing in confidence & have excelled in their growth mindset in staying up right & being able to skate more independently!
Congratulations to all students - you are gliding with pride!

What's cooking?

Frankie completed his practical task this week to a really high standard, demonstrating a number of complex skills to produce a lemon meringue pie! There are three components to this dish which he carried out really well. The first skill is to produce sweet shortcrust pastry to the correct consistency and then roll it out, line a pie dish and blind bake it. Then, the lemon curd filling is made and added to the pie case. Finally, egg whites are whisked with a very slow addition of sugar to produce the meringue mix. If this is not done properly and rushed, the meringue mix will collapse and won't be suitable for piping. As you can see from the photo, Frankie worked to a professional standard on this! Well done Frankie!

Orchard Hill College & Academy Trust

Here is INCLUDE magazine www.ohcat.org/about-us/publications/ a review of 2025.

This offers an inspiring insight into the life and work of Orchard Hill College & Academy Trust. Content includes uplifting stories that celebrate the achievements of our pupils and students with SEND, alongside the dedication of the staff, families and partners who support them. The magazine showcases outstanding practice, innovative learning approaches and real-world experiences that help pupils and students build confidence, independence, and life skills.

Across its pages, INCLUDE highlights major milestones such as award wins, Ofsted successes, new school and college openings, and influential visits to places like Parliament and Buckingham Palace. It also brings to life everyday moments that make a difference - from outdoor learning, therapy animals and creative arts projects to Supported Internships, community partnerships and student voice initiatives.

Above all, INCLUDE magazine reflects a shared commitment to working together to transform lives, celebrating progress, inclusion, and the powerful impact of specialist education on individuals and communities.