

# Ormston School Weekly Newsletter – Issue 15

## Congratulations Mr Green!

Mr Green has been volunteering with us at Ormston since September and has now been awarded a 12-month TA contract.

Matthew said "for me this is a great achievement. It was a struggle at first as for someone who has autism it's difficult to find the right employer, however with the right help I managed to land this position at Ormston School. I would like to thank everyone who has helped along the way including my Job Coach, family, and Mr Brown. Having this job makes me feel responsible. It also lets me expand on my own development and work towards a career within education. I'm very happy to have this permanent job as it shows that even with autism you can achieve anything."

## First Climbing Session

Last week our Key Stage 3 pupils partook in their first climbing PE session at the Big Depot Climbing Centre. The first trip was a great success; our young people were a credit to Ormston and enthusiastic and eager to throw themselves into the activities, despite the height of the climbing wall! We look forward to our future trips to the Big Depot and improving our climbing skills even more!

## Rascal Update

Our therapy dog, Rascal, has truly settled in after his first few weeks at Ormston. He's formed a special bond with our Primary class, where he's quickly become a beloved presence in our school environment. Both staff and students eagerly anticipate Rascal's visits to school, as he brings joy and positivity to everyone. We'd like to extend a huge thank you to Miss Eckersley for bringing Rascal into our school community and making this wonderful addition to our team possible!

## School aged immunization service

For our year 9 pupils in Snowy owl, you will find a letter about more vaccinations attached to this newsletter (Please ignore this section if your child is not in **Snowy Owl Class**). The service is for DTP (Diphtheria, Tetanus and Polio) and Meningitis ACWY immunisations, and will take place on 04/03/2025, with mop-up sessions on 03/04/2025 if necessary. Please complete the steps outlined on the letter to consent to/refuse the service.

## KS2 Swimming Update

We apologise for our mistake in our previous letter about KS2 swimming, which stated that sessions would take place on Monday afternoons, but I can confirm that they will in fact be taking place on **Tuesday afternoons**. Apologies for the inconvenience.

## Key Dates

Friday 14<sup>th</sup> February 2025 – INSET Day, no school for young people as staff are training

Monday 25<sup>th</sup> February 2025 - INSET Day, no school for young people as staff are training

Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> March – Year 9 DTP (Diphtheria, Tetanus and Polio) and Meningitis ACWY immunisations



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