“You can always trust the untrustworthy because you can always trust that they will be untrustworthy. It’s the trustworthy you can’t trust.”

- Captain Jack Sparrow

Dear Parents,

On Thursday of this week I was transported back to my years in the Caribbean where pirate festivals were part of local lore and where seafaring fashions, accessories and jargon were celebrated and enjoyed.

Indeed the F5 musical production, featuring a cast of all the F5 pupils, was a wonderful celebration and a huge success. I wish to thank Mr. Evans, Mr. Bridges, Miss Lee, Mr. Gore, Mr. Harrison and all the volunteers that assisted in some way. The hours and weeks of rehearsals bore fruit and we had an event that will remain in our memories of what makes this school special. This is when our pupils shine and so many of them dazzled on the night. I was delighted and so proud of all our pupils. Together we are greater than the sum of our parts and when we work together we can produce amazing things. This production is one of those.

I also wish to thank all the parent volunteers especially Cristina Silva who prepared the wonderful costumes that added so much to the spectacle.

If you haven’t had the opportunity to attend the musical I would urge you to come along on Friday evening at 7pm for the finale. Tickets are available from the front office but are dwindling quickly.

Tom McGrath, Headmaster
LIVE LOUNGE - 01st JULY

Live Lounge - Wednesday 1st July - 18:00-20:00 in the Marquee. Featuring the OBS Choir and a wide range of talent from across the School.

Tickets available from the Front Reception. €4 including refreshments.

Rob Gore, Head of Music

WORK EXPERIENCE REQUEST

As a school we would like to request your help in finding a work experience solution for Francesco Pellegrino between the dates of 15th to the 19th June. Francesco’s family lives abroad and consequently has had difficulty helping him find a suitable company to be placed with. His main interests are in Business Management and Economics; he has proven to be a reliable and hard working student over the last year at OBS.

Every year our F10 pupils take part in a week of work experience, allowing them to gain experience in a professional activity giving them day-to-day experience of the working environment. This will therefore provide them with an insight into the world of work. It will also help them to develop work related skills and support them in their future career decisions. In previous years, pupils have been placed with port wine companies, travel agents, hotels (Sheraton, Yeatman & Tiara Hotels), Hospital Veterinário Dr. Francisco Corrêa Cardoso, Hospital Pedro Hispano, Hospital de Santo António, Hospital S. João; law practices (Bernardo Andrade & Castro Advogados), TVI, Optimus, Porto Canal, Sonae and Museu Soares dos Reis, amongst others.

If you feel that you are able to accommodate Francesco during this week, please contact Profª Raquel Malheiro: Raquel.Malheiro@obs.edu.pt Thank you in advance for your help in this matter.

Profª Raquel Malheiro

ESCOLA DAS ARTES JUNE PROMOTION

Anyone who would like to try out drum or singing lessons this month we are offering either 1 free lesson, or a months’ lessons (June) at half price, 30 euros for the month. Please contact us at escoladasartesobs@Hotmail.com or speak to Nancy or our drum teacher Prof. Mariana. She is at school in the room next to the music room on Thursdays and Fridays.

TRINITY EXAMS

The Trinity international exams have now taken place and we are happy to inform you that yet again Escola das Artes students from both OBS and Valadares achieved the highest results from all the schools and individual music teachers that follow this system, with the examiner actually telling the Trinity representative here in Porto how excellent and well prepared our students were. Between the pop/rock and classical exams there were over 200 candidates this year. Out of the 44 students (29 of which were from OBS) taking exams, 18 students achieved distinctions and 15 merits. The other 11 passing comfortably. Congratulations to all students who participated and to the teachers for all of their hard work.

Escola das Artes Teachers
PRIMARY NOTICES

HEAD OF PRIMARY COMMENDATION AWARD

Commendation awarded to Rodrigo who has continued to encourage people with his kind words and praise for their work throughout this term

5L

RODRIGO REIS

Commendation awarded to João for his continued enthusiasm and wonderful progress this term with his independent writing in English.

1L

JOÃO BRUSCHY

Commendation awarded to Rodrigo for his excellent effort and progress this term in writing independently in English

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RODRIGO RIBEIRO

PRIMARY SPORTS DAY - FRIDAY 19TH JUNE

We will return to the Oporto Lawn Tennis & Cricket Club a week after the Secondary Cricket championships to hold our annual primary sports day. Pupils from Prep through to Form 5 will compete on a Junior and Intermediate circuit of events during the morning, vying to earn points for their houses. The events are due to start by 10.00 and finish at 11.30 (Prep to Form 2) and 12.00 (Forms 3 to 5). If you are a parent wishing to enter the mum and dad`s sprint races, please see Mr Homewood at the event to register.

Could parents please ensure that their children have snacks for the morning, their caps and sun cream applied in preparation for a day of good weather and fun competition?

As always we would be happy to have your support for the athletes on the day. However, please note that there will be no provision for parent car parking at the club during the morning. So please leave early enough to find an alternative space within the surrounding areas.

PRIMARY DATES FOR THE DIARY

17th June  
Book Fair

17th June  
Transition Day

17th June  
Prep Assembly to Parents

18th June  
Form 3 Citânia de Briteiros Trip

18th June  
Form 5 Trip to Parque Biológico

19th June  
Primary Sports Day

26th June  
Form 5 Parque Aquático Trip

30th June  
F2-F5 Parque da Pasteleira outing

01st July  
Prep and Reception`s trip to Quinta do Seixo

01st July  
Live Lounge

03rd July  
Speech Day
SECONDARY NOTICES

MATHS DEPARTMENT NEWS

Towards the end of the Easter term an elite selection of mathematicians from Form 6 and 7 sat the United Kingdom Junior Maths Challenge.

The UKMT Individual Maths Challenges are lively, intriguing multiple choice question papers, which are designed to stimulate interest in maths in large numbers of pupils.

The three levels cover the secondary school range 11-18 and together they attract over 600,000 entries from over 4,000 schools and colleges.

Gold, silver and bronze certificates are awarded to 40% of participants nationally in the Junior challenge.

A huge congratulations to all our certificate winners, 3 Gold, 5 Silver and 9 Bronze - a fantastic effort!

GOLD
Filipe Encamacao
Antero Baldaia
Gui Moreira

SILVER
Ziheng Zhuang
Jerry Yang
Jose Cunha
Ines Fontes
Miguel Ramos

BRONZE
Mathilde Palsson
Francisca Santos
Manuel Azvedo
Tomas Koehler
Joana Sa
Jie Li
Carol Goncalves
Carolina Figueiredo
Lourenco Silva

Here is an example of the type of question they were asked…..

Sam wants to complete the diagram so that each of the nine circles contains one of the digits from 1 to 9 inclusive and each contains a different digit. Also, the digits in each of the three lines of four circles must have the same total. What is this total?

A 17  B 18  C 19  D 20  E 21

Solution in next week’s bulletin!
LUCKY 7 BIG BASH - THURSDAY 11TH JUNE

The Oporto Lawn Tennis & Cricket Club has generously agreed to host the school’s first limited overs cricket festival. Three house teams from forms 6&7 will compete in the morning with forms 8 and above competing in the afternoon. Pupils demonstrating good levels of effort and technical skill within cricket PE lessons have been invited and will experience the competitive game, in an excellent setting and enjoy a traditional cricket tea.

This is the start of, what I hope to be a new era of cricket at the school with talks underway to play against St Julian’s school both home and away next year. Mr Packett’s Cricket club continues between 4.15 and 5.00 on Wednesday after school if any pupils still wish to join.

Matt Homewood, Head of PE and Games

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