

Fortnightly Newsletter for Students & Families



Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to the first edition of our newsletter for this academic year.

I apologise for starting on a negative note, but having just chatted to a wonderful Year 11 student who was knocked off her bike through irresponsible driving this week, I feel it's important to make a few points:

1. Please DO NOT drive into the gates and to the car park to drop off your children. There are a handful of young people who need this as part of their day and it has been agreed for this to happen. There is a turning circle if you do not have any other options, but the driving within the grounds has not been safe.
2. Please DO NOT ignore the above request and sit in your car on your mobile phone etc when staff are trying to get parked and get to work. I have asked on multiple occasions for you to consider the urgency of them getting to their allocated space so they can be at their lessons on time - several parents have ignored this. We even have parents vaping/smoking in the car whilst our students are arriving at school for the day - please don't do this.
3. The PE department have spoken to me about parents ignoring all of the above and getting parked in the grounds from 2:30pm and watching the PE lessons. Again, please do not do this - it's not appropriate at all for anyone to be parked and watching children in sports lessons. It makes the children feel uncomfortable.
4. Please try to remember that we have 1600 young people travelling to and from school each day and they are doing their best to meet everyone's expectations. They deserve to be safe when they are travelling. Part of this process is us adults understanding that they are still learning how to get it right - so please do not speed up past them on their bikes/shout at them/lose patience when they pick the wrong time to cross the road. Remember they are still young and need lots of guidance and patience.

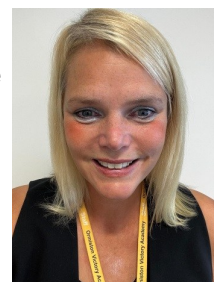
In happier news, we loved the Sixth Form extra performance of Chicago at the Maddermarket this week - the choreography by Emily was outstanding and we are so grateful to our Year 13 leavers who came back for one final showing! Not long now until Sister Act in December - ticketing details are included in this newsletter. If you've not seen a Victory show, make sure you come - they are PHENOMENAL!

Next Thursday, we welcome in our community of Year 6 students who are hoping to come to Victory next September - our annual Open Evenings are designed to be a fun experience for the family with many interactive bits and pieces to keep everyone busy. And samples of our lovely food from our great team of kitchen staff. The advert for the event is included here so please share it with anyone who might be interested. We now offer 300 places, but this year we have had to go to 308 to make sure everyone gets in!

A final piece of joy is the great news this week that our wonderful Helen Curson has (finally) received some recognition for her work in Performing Arts over the last 30 years! Helen is the winner of the Peter Wilson Special Recognition award from the 2026 Norfolk Arts Awards! We are so pleased for her and so proud of her dedication to our community.

Have a lovely weekend - and please help us to make travel safer for everyone at Victory.

Naomi Palmer, Principal



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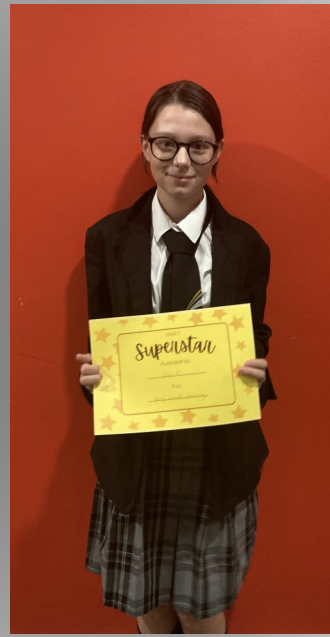


Year 7 Superstars @ Victory

Congratulations to our first Year 7 Superstars of the academic year - what an amazing start to your time at Victory:

Alfie, Junior, George, Jenny, Oscar, Frankie, Delvin, Mihin, Phoebe, Max, Juvia, Kyle, Sophia, Ranuda, Harriet, and Morne - all for a wonderful transition, contributing to class discussions, being smiley, kind and polite!

Well done to Albert for being lovely and polite every morning saying: "good morning" and "thank you"! Braydon for joining Victory with an amazing attitude and taking everything in his stride - being very polite in the corridors and helpful to others in form, Ranuda for participating very well in group discussions during form time and being consistently been very polite, Alfie for a great start to Year 7 - perfect uniform with a super positive attitude, Maili for being very kind to others, and Kyle for having a great start at high school and being a great member of form.





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Year 8 Pink Tie Positivity @ Victory

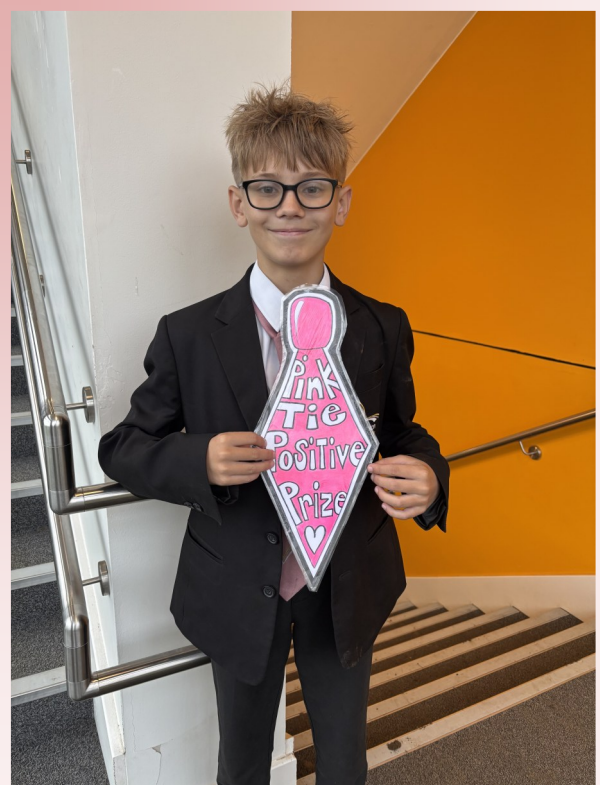
A huge congrats to our first Year 8 Pink Tie Positivity winners of the academic year:
 Zoe for being super polite, kind, and caring; Ryan for an act of bravery and doing the
 right thing; Barnaby for a huge turn around in every aspect in school;
 Henly for trying his best at everything he does;
 and Aaminah for being true to herself, and sticking to her values!





Year 8 Pink Tie Positivity @ Victory

Congratulations to these Year 8 Pink Tie Positivity winners:
Isaac, Kevin, Zara and Aurora for an amazingly positive start to Year 8,
and to Ollie for doing a really brave thing, standing up for a friend.





Year 10 Fist Bumps @ Victory

Well done Jensen, Riley, Bobby and Issy, our awesome Fist Bump winners!





Chicago @ Victory

Thank you to everyone who supported are special performances
at the Maddermarket Theatre!





Performing Arts @ Victory

Norfolk Arts Award Winner

Congratulations to our wonderful Ms Curson, winner of this year's Peter Wilson Outstanding Contribution Norfolk Arts Award (Supported by The Lord Lieutenant's Office).

This award celebrates individuals who have made a significant positive impact on the arts in Norfolk over the last year! Ms Curson does this every year - not to mention the impact she has, and has had, on many peoples' live every day. We are so proud of you.



Christmas Song Writing Competition!

We are proud to announce our first Christmas Song Writing Competition! The winning song will be recorded by a choir of students and members of our community and will be published on our social media pages.

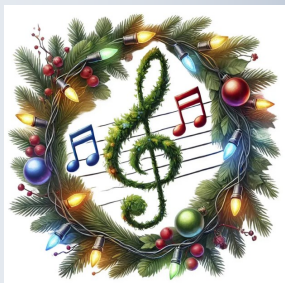
To enter, you will need to write a Christmas song consisting of 2-3 verses and a catchy, repeating chorus. Your song may also include a bridge and/or an introduction. Submissions may be lyrics only, or they may include a melody and/or musical accompaniment, which can be adapted or edited for the recording.

Lyrics should be simple and may include the following themes:

Being with friends and family
What Christmas means to you
Our (Victory) family
Lights, candles, trees, and decorations
Cold, warmth, and coming together

All submissions should be sent to Mr Shelbourn - t.shelbourn@ormistonvictoryacademy.co.uk - by Friday 8 October.

We look forward to reading your entries!





Student News @ Victory



POLAND 2027

World Scout
26th Jamboree
Scout Mondial



Ormiston students chosen to attend the World Scout Jamboree 2027!

Liet D'Arcy and Jack Higginbottom in Year 11 have had the incredible opportunity of being accepted into the World Scout Jamboree for 2027.

The World Scout Jamboree is a major international event organised by the World Organisation of the Scout Movement. Held every four years, it brings together tens of thousands of Scouts aged between 14 - 17 from around the globe, to promote cultural exchange, friendship, and adventure.

Liet and Jack, along with 48 other Scouts, will be a part of the UK Contingent's Unit 50 from Norfolk: The Bootiful Bisons. They will be going to Gdansk in Poland and camping with Scouts from across the globe for a week. There will be lots of opportunities to improve their independence, learn new skills, and have fun. So far on their fundraising journey, they have organised and taken part in many different events which you might have seen in the Bowthorpe area.

We really appreciate the generosity of everyone who has already donated or taken part in an event we have organised.

In order to boost our fundraising total, we would like to kindly ask for a donation of any kind, via the GoFundMe links below, and for you to watch this space for our stall at Victory events like a Halloween bake sale and the Christmas Fete!

Any donations would be incredible and would go a very long way towards our goal as a group.

Thank you for reading.

[Liet's GoFundMe](#)

[Jack's GoFundMe](#)



Enrichment @ Victory

It was great to see over 30 Year 7 - 9 girls at football club!
This year's teams are looking strong!
Join us from 3 - 4pm on Thursdays.



Well done to our Year 10 and 11 football team who played amazingly well this week.
POTM went to Ruby!





Year 6 Open Evening

Thursday 1st October 2026

4:30 - 6:30pm

Principal Talks 4:45 and 5:45pm

Join us for an exciting evening and
meet the staff who will help shape
your future.

Scan the QR Code to
register for additional
tours



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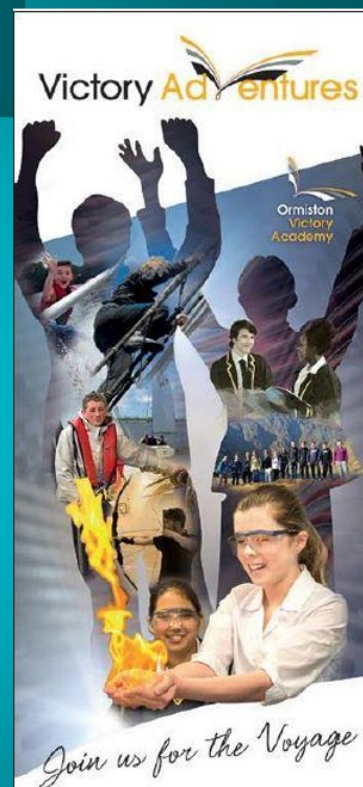


Enrichment Clubs @ Victory

MONDAY

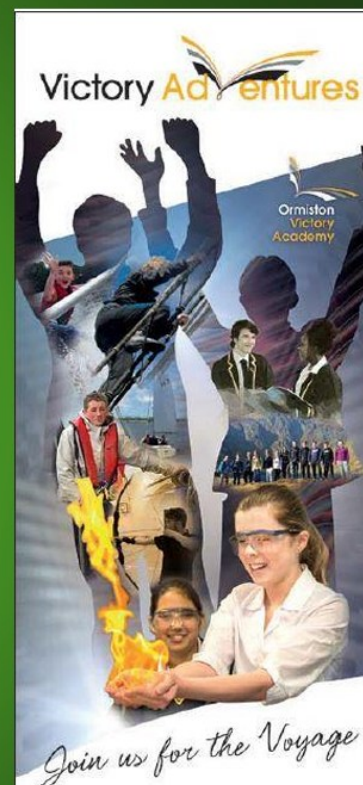
CLUB		STAFF	VENUE	TIME
Basketball		RTI	Plat	08:00-08:20
Daily Music Lessons (Pre-booked)		TSH	Various	Various
Basketball		ECH	Sports Hall	3:00-4:00
Art Club		MPA	Art 1	3:00-4:00
Bugle Newspaper Club Week1		GTO	Library	3:00-4:00
KS3 Creative Writing Club		AGL	Plat 1	3:00-4:00
VCA Cheerleading (team only*)		ZBR	Sports Hall	3.30-5.30

*Information about a second round of tryouts will come out soon, if you are interested in trying out for this season



TUESDAY

CLUB		STAFF	VENUE	TIME
Basketball		ATY	Sports hall	08:00-08:20
Snack & Study		CRE	Library	3:00-3:45
Daily Music Lessons (Pre-booked)		TSH	Various	Various
UKMT Club		TKI	Jubilee 2	3:00-4:00
Netball		KWE	Netball Courts	3:00-4:00
Maths Homework & Games Club		NKN	Jubilee 7	3:00-4:00
Badminton		KZE	Sports Hall	3:00-4:00
Dungeons & Dragons		AWI	Teach 10	3:00-4:00





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WEDNESDAY

CLUB		STAFF	VENUE	TIME
Basketball		KZE	Sports Hall	08:00-08:20
KS4-KS5 Pride Club Week 2		AWI	Drama Studio	Lunch B
Football		ATY	Field	3:00-4:00
Greenpower Kit Car		DGR	DT1	3:00-4:00
Daily Music Lessons (Pre-booked)		TSH	Various	Various
Eco collective + Gardening Club		MSM/ LTU	Allotment + DT2	3:00-4:00
Warhammer Maths Club		TKI	Jub 2	3:00-4:00
History Club		DCO	Teach 3	3:00-4:00
Chess Club		OJA	Jubilee 8	3:00 – 4:00



THURSDAY

CLUB		STAFF	VENUE	TIME
Basketball		LBU	Sports Hall	08:00-08:20
Daily Music Lessons (Pre-booked)		TSH	Various	Various
Maths Games Club		ECO	SEN3	Lunch A
SEN Boxing		TCH	External	13:30-3:30
Boys Dance Club		CSE	Drama 2	3.00-4.00





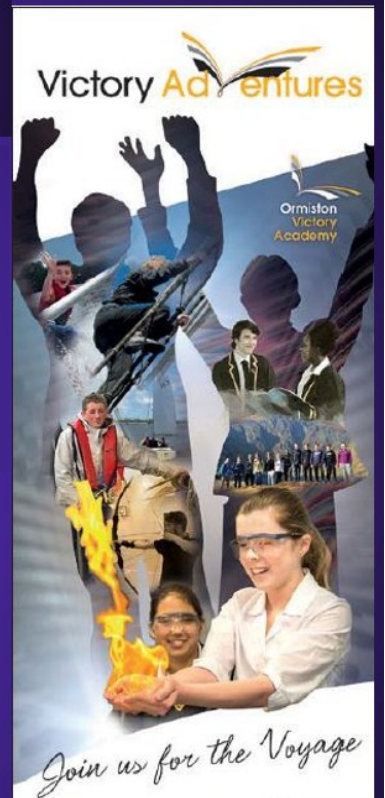
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FRIDAY

CLUB	STAFF	VENUE	TIME
Basketball	ECH	Sports Hall	08:00-08:20
Daily Music Lessons (Pre-booked)	TSH	Various	Various
Year 11/6 th Form Multi Sports	OWI	Sports Hall	3:00-4:00

To contact us with any suggestions or feedback,
please email
VictoryAdventures@ormistonvictoryacademy.co.uk
or tweet us [@VictoryAdventur!](https://twitter.com/VictoryAdventur)





Career pathway specialists for academic,
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LORD NELSON SIXTH FORM OPEN EVENING

Thursday 22 October 2026

5.00–7.00pm

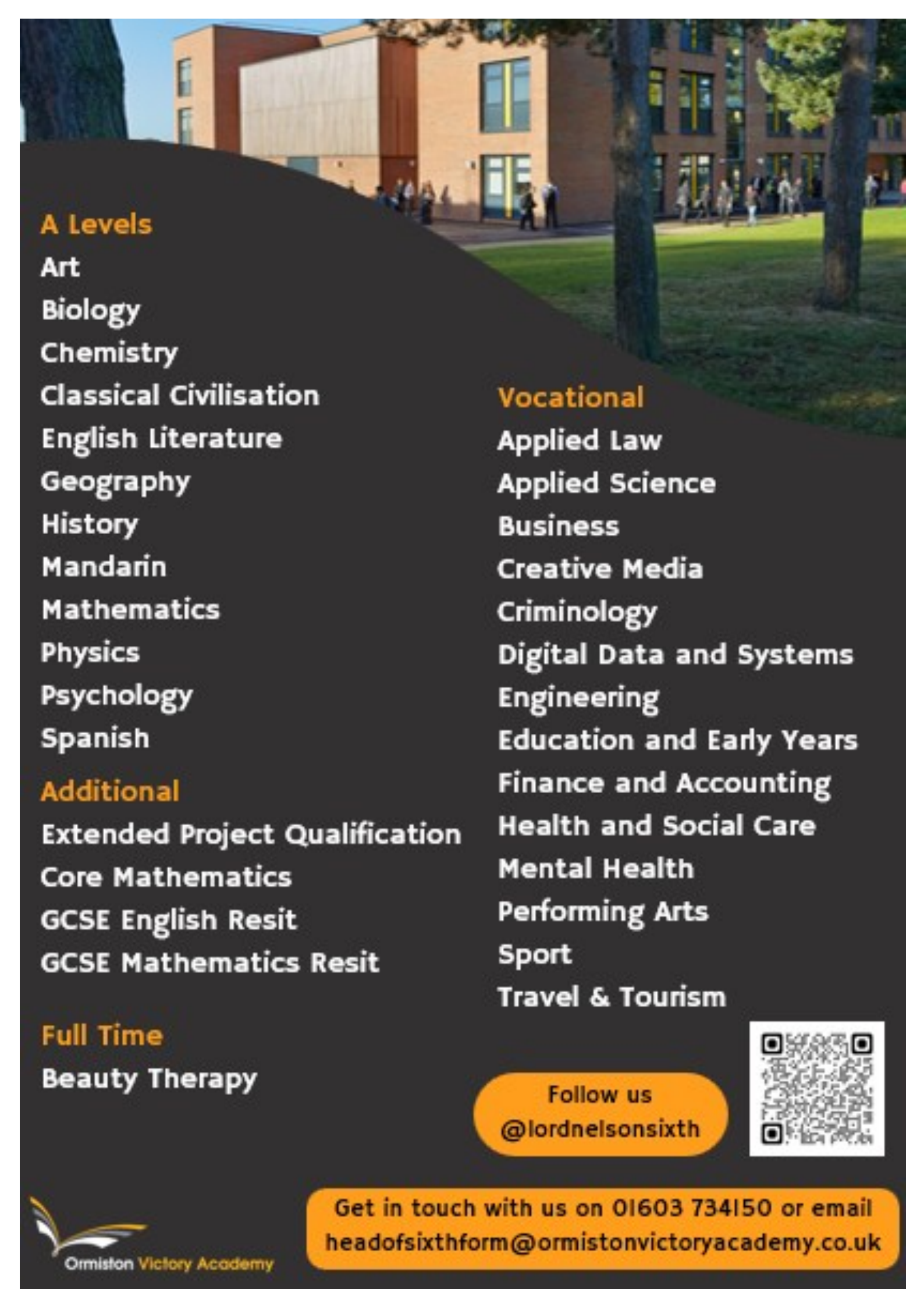
Talks: 5.15pm & 6.00pm

Ormiston Victory Academy
Middleton Crescent
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Open Evening
Sign Up





A Levels

Art
Biology
Chemistry
Classical Civilisation
English Literature
Geography
History
Mandarin
Mathematics
Physics
Psychology
Spanish

Additional

Extended Project Qualification
Core Mathematics
GCSE English Resit
GCSE Mathematics Resit

Full Time

Beauty Therapy

Vocational

Applied Law
Applied Science
Business
Creative Media
Criminology
Digital Data and Systems
Engineering
Education and Early Years
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