



ORMISTON SIX VILLAGES ACADEMY



7th March 2025

Dear Parents and Carers

Please see this week's notices below:

Early finish – Thursday 13th March – all students except Year 11 Design Technology students

A reminder that students will finish early on 13th March. This means they attend periods 1-4 on these days and leave at the start of lunch break, missing only their period 5 lesson. School buses will pick students up from site at 1.10pm on this day. Students catching the public bus 66A will need to make their own arrangements to get home.

Please note that all students (except Year 11 Design Technology students) must leave site, without exception, at 1.10pm as staff will be occupied with online appointments and unable to supervise students. Students eligible for free school meals can collect their lunch from the canteen at break time.

Year 9 Parents' Consultation – Thursday 13th March

Subject teachers look forward to meeting with you next Thursday to discuss your child's progress. If you have not yet booked your appointments, please take a moment to do so over the weekend. The booking system closes at 6pm on Monday 10th March.

As with the Year 11 parent consultation last term, you can book online appointments from 2pm-3.30pm or face to face appointments in the Gate Theatre from 4pm-6.30pm. If you have any difficulty booking your appointments, please contact Miss Ryder on rrr@ormistonsixvillages.org.uk who will be very happy to help you.

Year 9 Options

Thank you very much for attending the online Options Evening meeting yesterday evening. The Options Information Hub is now live on the website and can be viewed under the Curriculum tab.

Please note the remaining key dates:

- Monday 10th-17th March - Tutor Time focus on Option Subjects
- Monday 24th March - Deadline for submission of option entries via Microsoft form

If you have any questions during the options process, please don't hesitate to contact either Mrs May, Year 9 Director of Learning (lmy@ormistonsixvillages.org.uk), Mr Case, Vice Principal (jce@ormistonsixvillages.org.uk) or Mr Kidd, Assistant Principal (tkd@ormistonsixvillages.org.uk)

Year 7 Team Building Enrichment Day - Wednesday 23rd April 2025

We have planned an exciting day of team building events for Year 7. During the day students will have the opportunity to problem solve in teams, compete against teams in fun challenges, take part in laser tag, the laser shooting game is played inside a darkened inflatable arena, and climb an eye catching 8-metre rock climbing wall. Please read the letter that was emailed to Year 7 parents and carers earlier today for further information on this event.

Team building enrichment days for Years 8, 9 and 10 will take place in June.

Red Nose Day – Wear it Red

A reminder that we will be holding a non-uniform day on Thursday 20th March to provide an opportunity for our school community to donate funds which will be shared equally between Comic Relief and Year 11 Prom.

Students have the option to wear non-uniform, in line with the theme 'Wear it Red' and need to bring a £1 donation into school which is payable in tutor time by Thursday 13th March. If you are in a position to donate a little more, it would make a great difference.



When your child is deciding on their clothing on 20th March, please can you ensure that they observe the following expectations, which apply to all students:

1. They must wear something red, eg. red t-shirt, red jumper, etc
2. Their clothing is to be safe and practical for stairs, and the classroom without language or slogans which may offend
3. Tops/t-shirts cover shoulders, chest and midriff
4. Footwear is safe for stairs and appropriate for school.
5. Normal rules for jewellery and face piercings apply due to health and safety

Any student not wearing suitable clothing will need to go back home and change. Please note that whilst we are aiming to raise funds, this will still be a normal school day of learning and full attendance is expected. This 'own clothes' day is optional and students are welcome to wear their school uniform.

There will be a tuck shop available in the Gate theatre on 20th March as well as other activities including putting teachers in stocks in the courtyard. If your child would like to visit the tuck shop or put a favourite teacher in stocks, they will need to bring some cash in on the day.

We appreciate your support in helping Six Villages to raise funds.

Year 9 Vaccinations programme

The Immunisation Service are coming into school to offer your child the Tetanus, Diphtheria, Polio (Td/IPV) and Meningitis ACWY (MenACWY) vaccination(s).

Attached to this letter is the Td/IPV & MenACWY parent letter which contains information about the upcoming vaccination session and instructions on how to complete the online consent form. If you are unable to open the links within the attached document, please follow the links below.

For information about the Td/IPV & MenACWY vaccines and frequently asked questions: <https://www.sussexcommunity.nhs.uk/patients-and-visitors/resources/patient-resources/tetanus-diphtheria-and-polio-and-meningitis-vaccinations>

To complete a consent form: <https://www.susseximmunisations.co.uk/Forms/DTP>

You will need the school code found within the attached parent letter to complete a consent form.

Please note that once you have completed the consent form, to say YES or NO to these vaccinations, there is no need to forward the information to the academy as we liaise with the Immunisation Service.

STEM Young People's Book Prize results are in!

The Science department would like to say well done to the 30 students from Year 7 to 10 became part of the Royal Society's Young People's Book Prize national judging panel. We can announce that *Mission: Arctic: A Scientific Adventure to a Changing North Pole* by Katharina Weiss-Tuider won our overall best STEM book of 2025. All six books will soon be available from the school library to borrow.



This week's tutee of the week

7O	Indy W	8O	Charlie M	9O	Max B	10O	Keely W	11O	Rhianna P
7R	Sebastian C	8R	Aimee H-J	9R	Summer H	10R	Izzy A	11R	Ellie T
7M	Evelyn S	8M	Mia C	9M	Harrison T	10M	Elliot K	11S	Niamh G
7S	Hugh S	8S	Oscar B	9S	Lexie J	10S	Brooke S	11T	Alfie J
7T	Elsa D	8T	Archie D	9T	Louie L	10T	Farah B		

This week's Sparx Superstars: congratulations to the following students

Evelyn S	Noah P	Harry M	Tilly P	William T
Ella K	Kyle B	Maggie B	Jake G	Chloe S

This half-term's fixtures

Week Beginning	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
10 th March 2025		Year 8 Football – opponents not yet confirmed	Year 8 Netball Vs CFS (H) Collection time: 4:15 pm Year 10 Football Vs BCC (A) Collection time: 5:30 pm	U15 Girls Rugby Festival U16 Girls Football Vs TPS (H) Collection time: 5:00 pm
17 th March 2025		Year 7 Football Vs TRS (A) Collection time: 5:15 pm	Year 7 Netball Vs BL (H) Collection time: 4:15	U13 Girls Rugby Festival U14 Girls Football Vs MRC (H) Collection time: 5:00 pm
24 th March 2025		Year 7 Football Vs SPH (A) Collection time: 5:15 pm	Year 7 Netball Vs FCC (A) Collection time: 4:30 pm Year 10 Football Vs SPH (A) Collection time: 5:15 pm	
31 st March 2025		Year 7 Football Vs FCC (H) Collection time: 5:00 pm		U14 Girls Football Vs BCC (A) Collection time: 5:30 pm

Key dates for this half term

- 5th March - Dracula Trip, Y9
- 6th March - Year 9 Options Evening (online)
- 6th March - World Book Day (see above)
- 12th March - Animal Farm trip
- 13th March - **early finish, 1.10pm**
- 13th March - Year 9 Parents' Consultation evening online and face to face, details above
- 20th March - Chichester Lit Quiz
- 20th March - Year 10 Exam information evening, details to follow

- 24th March - Deadline for Year 9 student options via Microsoft form
- 31st March - Year 10 internal theatre performance of Shakespeare's Macbeth
- 3rd April - Year 9 Tetanus, Diphtheria, Polio and Meningitis vaccinations
- 4th April - Last day of term

Does your child have a passion for musical theatre?

Encore Theatre Productions have asked me to share news of their upcoming auditions for SIX The Musical – Teen Edition taking place in Horsham this April with the final show in July. For further information, please visit www.encoretheatreproductions.com. Please note this organisation does not have any connection to Ormiston Six Villages Academy.

Easter Holiday Activities

Woodland Activity Day at Goodwood
 Tuesday 15th April, 10am-1pm
 FREE for young people age 11-17

Craft in the Garden
 Wednesday 9th April, 9.30am-2.30pm
 Green Door Centre, Bosham with The Willow Tree Forest School

Activity Day at Cobnor
 Wednesday 16th April, 9.30am-4.30pm, FREE for 14-25 year olds
 Hawk 20 Keelboat Sailing & Land Based Activity with lunch provided!

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For further information, and to reserve your space, email: contact@yps-south.org.uk
www.yps-south.org.uk Tel: 01243 839093

Craft, Fun, Relaxation
 FREE for girls aged 11-14 years
 to book, email: contact@yps-south.org.uk
www.yps-south.org.uk

To book your place, please email: contact@yps-south.org.uk
 or call us: 01243 839093, www.yps-south.org.uk

Please see above details of FREE Easter holiday activities being funded by the Young People's Shop. If your child is eligible for free school meals or is struggling with their mental health and wellbeing, please consider registering your interest to reserve a space for your child.

Yours sincerely

Paul Slaughter
 Principal