



ORMISTON SIX VILLAGES ACADEMY



16th February 2026

Dear Parents and Carers

I would like to begin this week's letter by thanking the parents and carers who came to Thursday's parent forum. Your time, openness and thoughtful discussions were much appreciated. The discussions were constructive and helpful in shaping our ongoing work at the academy. We value your partnership and the supportive dialogue that helps us continue improving the experience all of our students at Six Villages have. Thank you for your engagement and commitment.

Please find this week's notices below.

Principal's Drop In

I am re-introducing Principal's Drop-In Sessions, which I held some years ago. These are designed to provide parents with a supportive and constructive space to talk to me about suggestions or any element you wish to discuss. Principal's Drop In will take place on Tuesday afternoons from 3pm from 24th February. Meetings are by appointment only, please book a slot with Mrs Canadas on ccs@ormistonsixvillages.org.uk.

I encourage parents to make use of the Principal's Drop-In Sessions as this will allow us to address matters more thoroughly and constructively. To support our drive for more effective communication, I would ask that email correspondence be reserved for essential or urgent matters. Engaging in direct conversation will help us work together and ensure matters are passed to the relevant staff and resolved in a timely and collaborative way.

Year 11 mocks (23rd February – 4th March)

Please can you take a moment over the half-term break to ensure that your child has all the required equipment for their upcoming second round of mocks. They need to write with a black pen (blue is not permitted), and need a spare in case it runs out, pencils, pencil sharpener, rubber and Mathematics equipment for Maths and Science examinations in particular. This should include ruler, protractor, a pair of compasses, and a Scientific calculator (without the case). Equipment must be in a clear pencil case. Bottles of water are allowed in the exam hall; there cannot be any label or writing on the bottle.

Please see below the timetable for warm up sessions and period 6s during the mock weeks. After this point, period 6 sessions will return to non-core subjects following the same previous timetable for the remainder of the half term (3 weeks).

Week B	Mon 23 rd Feb INSET Day	Tues 24 th Feb	Weds 25 th Feb	Thurs 26 th Feb	Fri 27 th Feb
Warm-up		Eng language	Maths	Science	Eng literature
Period 6		Maths	Science	English	Maths

Week A	Mon 2	Tues 3	Weds 4
Warm-up	Maths	Science	T and T and F. Maths
Period 6	Science	T and T and F. Maths	

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Year 11 photograph orders

Please be advised if you have NOT yet placed your School Photograph order, the order closing date is **Tuesday 24th February**. Please visit www.smileYellow.com using the passwords on the Proofcard.

Year 10 exam information evening - Thursday 26th February – save the date

We look forward to welcoming you to this event on Thursday after half-term. Please complete this form [Year 10 Exam Information Evening - Thursday 26th February – Fill out form](#) to confirm your attendance and number of you attending.

Year 9 Options Evening – save the date

Next week starts an important period for our Year 9 students as they begin to think about their key stage 4 option subjects. It is important for families to engage with upcoming events so that the correct choice is made moving forward. Students have already completed the pre-options survey. Tutor activities for the week after half-term will focus on Options. The key dates and information are as follows:

- Thursday 26th February - Options Assembly
- Thursday 5th March - 6pm, Options Evening in the sports hall (NB. It is vital that all parents and students attend)
- Wednesday 25th March - Year 9 Parents' consultation
- Friday 27th March - Deadline for submission of option entries via Microsoft form
- Summer term 2 - Students will find out their options for September 2026

Prior to the Options Evening, you may want to take a look at last year's information [Ormiston Six Villages Academy - Options Process](#) on our academy website, which will give you a taste of some of the subjects on offer and the application process.

Please take a moment to complete this form to confirm your attendance [Year 9 Options Evening - Thursday 5th March – Fill out form](#)

If you have any questions during the options process, please contact either Mrs May, Year 10 Director of Learning (Imy@ormistonsixvillages.org.uk), Mr Case, Vice Principal (jce@ormistonsixvillages.org.uk) or Mr Kidd, Assistant Principal (tkd@ormistonsixvillages.org.uk)

Tutee of the Week

Congratulations to the following students who have been nominated by their tutors this week:

7O	Brooke C	8O	Ellie P	9O	Mya B	10O	Kian W	11O	Hannah B
7R	Michael P	8R	Isla WB	9R	Chloe P	10R	Jayden P	11R	Sophie L
7M	Finley R	8M	Henry H	9M	Bradley H	10M	Matilda H	11M	Alex P
7S	Lucas N	8S	Judah C	9S	Albie S	10S	Lilly H-S	11S	Lucy F
7T	Ted P	8T	Nikola M	9T	Taylor M	10T	Demi S	11T	Joleon A

Director of Learning Student of the Week Award

Congratulations to the following students who have this award for making the best contribution to their year group this week.

Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11
Charlie M	Mia F	Teddy W	Sophie W	Caelen M

Sparx Rewards

English

Sebastian C	Noah J	Jack B	Matilda M	James D
Willow-Rose H	Katie H	Noah T	Ella F	Brody M

Young Minds

The Young Minds parents helpline provides free, expert, confidential, 1-1 advice. Their [Parents Helpline](#) advisors are just a click or phone call away and they have hundreds of [online guides](#) and [real stories](#) from parents. Some of the top concerns parents talk to Young Minds about are school avoidance, talking to your child, anxiety and low mood.

Key dates

23 rd February	-	INSET day
23 rd February	-	Start of Year 11 mocks (to 4 th March)
26 th February	-	Year 10 information evening, 6pm
5 th March	-	Year 9 Options Evening
25 th March	-	Year 9 Parents' Consultation
26 th March	-	Last day of term for students
27 th March	-	INSET day

This half-term has passed quickly and has been filled with lots of enriching activities, not least Thursday's careers fair. We look forward to welcoming your children back on Tuesday 24th February (INSET day Monday 23rd February) and wish you a restful half-term break.

Yours faithfully



Paul Slaughter
Principal