



# ORMISTON SIX VILLAGES ACADEMY



11<sup>th</sup> September 2026

Dear Parents and Carers

We have had a fantastic first week at the academy and I would like to congratulate our students on the positive and purposeful start they have made. It has been wonderful to see students settling quickly into routines, engaging positively in their learning and demonstrating the high standards of behaviour that we expect at Ormiston Six Villages Academy.

## **Uniform**

I have to emphasise that our high standards include uniform. Shirts must be tucked in, ties should have the logo showing, skirts should not be rolled up. Also, acrylics, piercings except one stud in each ear and other jewellery except wrist watch are not permitted. As the weather cools down, coats over the blazers are, of course, permitted. However, hoodies are not permitted and will be confiscated at the gate on entry to school.

## **Punctuality**

As we look ahead, I would like to remind students and families that excellent punctuality to both school and lessons is essential and creates good habits for the workplace later. Arriving on time ensures that students maximise every learning opportunity and helps maintain the positive momentum we have established so successfully this week. If your child is regularly arriving late to school, please establish a morning routine that enables them to leave home earlier. I have to commend and thank the vast majority of students who always arrive at school and lessons on time.

## **Open Evening – Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> September**

Following on from last week's information, letters for student helpers are available in reception. Please provide consent on Parent Pay if your child would like to help. Timings are as follows;

- 4.30pm - students arrive at school in full, smart uniform including blazer
- 8.00pm – please collect promptly and ensure your child signs out before leaving.

## **School photos**

The proofs of the individual photos taken of Year 7, 9 and 11 students will be distributed as soon as we receive them. We anticipate that this will be next week. Orders are online only.

## **Year 11 Period 6**

It is Year 11's responsibility to be independent in their learning and for them to attend period 6 lessons. These are held on Tuesdays (English), Wednesdays (maths) and Thursdays (science). In addition to this, students should be doing two hours of revision every evening. Advice and support regarding revision will be provided at our forthcoming information evening. Please see below.

## **Year 10 and 11 Information and Careers Evening – 30<sup>th</sup> September, 6pm - save the date**

A reminder that one of our key events for years 10 and 11 students and parents is taking place on Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> September. Arrival is 5.45pm for a start at 6pm, to 7pm.

This event includes the opportunity for all to attend a post-16 careers fair including stalls from the major college and 6th form providers, as well as other further education opportunities and a 30-minute presentation on key information for the year.

I can't emphasise how important it is for you to attend. The two events will be run concurrently, but the content of them is vastly different. If you attended last year's for Year 10, we do need you to attend this year's for Year 11.

### **Advance notice for Year 7 parents – Tutor meetings – 21<sup>st</sup> October – save the date**

The appointment booking system will open in due course and you will receive a notification. It is essential that you attend this event to discuss how your child is settling into Year 7. Mr Case will also be sharing important information that every family needs to know. Please save the date.

### **Sparx homework**

Sparx homework has been set in English, maths and science as of this week.

### **Parent Pay**

A reminder that parents can set financial limits and add any dietary requirements or note to the system which links with our canteen, which will show up on the screen when students purchase something.

### **Nuts**

We are a nut aware school. We have a number of students and staff at our academy who have very serious nut allergies which can develop into a potentially life-threatening allergic reaction. Anaphylaxis can occur as a result of digestion, inhalation or any other contact with nut-based products.

For their safety and for the benefit of new parents and carers, please ensure that your children do not bring any items that contain nuts in their packed lunches. This includes but is not limited to:

- Packs of nuts
- Peanut butter or Nutella sandwiches
- Fruit and cereal bars that contain nuts
- Chocolate bars or sweets that contain nuts
- Sesame seed rolls (children allergic to nuts may also have a severe reaction to sesame)
- Cakes made with nuts
- Any home cooked meals for packed lunches that are made from nuts

Please check the labels of all food and even if it says **may contain** nuts, then please do not send that food product into school. A lot of our students go to the local shops on their way to school to make purchases. If your child does this, please make them aware of nut products and ensure they understand that nut products cannot be brought into school. For further information, please visit the website [here](https://www.ormistonsixvillages.org.uk).

If your child has a known or suspected nut allergy and you have not brought this to our attention, please contact Mrs Hardman, our Lead First Aider, on [thn@ormistonsixvillages.org.uk](mailto:thn@ormistonsixvillages.org.uk).

### **Year 7 summer project and afternoon tea**

I would like to thank everyone who attended yesterday afternoon and supported the event. It was a wonderful afternoon, showcasing the hard work, creativity and dedication of our Year 7 students. The exhibits featured an impressive variety of projects, including PowerPoint presentations, models, posters and written work. We are incredibly proud of the effort and enthusiasm our students demonstrated in producing their work, which will go on display in the library for a period of time.

### **Head of School Drop In**

A reminder that I am holding Head of School drop in sessions on Wednesday afternoons. If you would like an appointment, please contact Mrs Canadas on [ccs@ormistonsixvillages.org.uk](mailto:ccs@ormistonsixvillages.org.uk).

### **Key dates this half-term**

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| 17 <sup>th</sup> September | - | Open Evening                                |
| 30 <sup>th</sup> September | - | Y10 and Y11 information and careers evening |
| 15 <sup>th</sup> October   | - | Y7 and Y8 Halloween disco                   |
| 21 <sup>st</sup> October   | - | Y7 setting in tutor appointments            |

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Josh Case', with a stylized, cursive script.

Josh Case  
**Head of School**