



ORMISTON SIX VILLAGES ACADEMY



23rd October 2026

Dear Parents and Carers

Please find this week's notices below.

Year 11 mock exams

Please read the letter from Mr Kidd and Mrs May emailed separately. It contains a lot of important information about the mock exams which begin on Thursday 5th November.

Students must come fully equipped for the exams they are taking, therefore a full set of black pens, a pencil, ruler, calculator and maths set are essential. Students need a clear plastic pencil case and can bring in a CLEAR bottle with the label removed, containing water.

It is vital that year 11 students arrive before 8.20am during the exam season. At this time, during roll call, students will be told where they are going to complete warm up sessions for their morning exam. If they arrive late they may miss the opportunity to get in some last-minute preparation. Their warm up session will be in the subject of that morning's exam.

The mock exam timetable is available on the website [Ormiston Six Villages Academy - Exam Information](#)

Curriculum

I would like to draw your attention to the curriculum information available on the website [Ormiston Six Villages Academy](#).

Throughout the second half of the autumn term, students will begin preparing for forthcoming assessments. Detailed curriculum maps and subject overviews are available on the website, providing clear guidance on the topics being studied and the knowledge and skills students are expected to secure. Taking a few moments to explore the curriculum information can be a great way to start conversations at home about learning, celebrate progress, and help your child feel confident and well prepared for their assessments.

Trusted Adults

At Ormiston Six Villages Academy, we want every student to feel supported, valued and listened to. Every child has a trusted adult in school who they can go to for help and guidance. If your child has a concern, needs support, would like some advice or simply someone to listen, they are encouraged to go to their trusted adult, tutor or director of learning. We want all students to know there is always someone available to support them.

Behaviour on the Buses

We have recently received a number of concerns regarding student behaviour on school buses. We would like to remind all students that when travelling to and from school, they are ambassadors for Ormiston Six Villages Academy and are expected to demonstrate the same high standards of behaviour, respect and courtesy that we expect within the academy.

The vast majority of our students travel responsibly and are a credit to the academy. However, a small number are not meeting our expectations. Poor behaviour on buses can, of course, affect the safety and comfort of other passengers and can damage the reputation of the academy within our local community.

We would be grateful this message could be reinforced at home. Students should remain respectful to bus drivers and fellow passengers, follow instructions, remain seated and behave in a manner that reflects our academy values. We will continue to investigate the reported incidents and, where necessary, apply sanctions in line with our behaviour policy. If poor behaviour continues the students concerned may need to be banned from travelling on the bus for a period of time.

Thank you for your support in ensuring all students travel safely and responsibly.

Remembrance Day

As outlined last week, we will gather as a whole community in the courtyard for our annual Act of Remembrance on 11th November. Students who are members of the Scouts, Guides, Cadets or other recognised uniformed organisations are warmly invited to attend school in their organisation's uniform and take particular pride in representing their organisation during the ceremony.

Flu vaccination programme

A reminder of the need to complete the Flu vaccination consent form if you have not already done so for the NHS Immunisation Service, who are coming into school to offer Year 7-11 students the Flu vaccination on 26th November. The Flu parent letter which contains information about the upcoming vaccination session and instructions on how to complete the online consent form has been emailed separately. For information about the Flu vaccine and frequently asked questions: <https://www.sussexcommunity.nhs.uk/patients-and-visitors/resources/patient-resources/flu-vaccinations>.

To complete a consent form: <https://www.susseximmunisations.co.uk/Forms/Flu> You will need the school code found within the attached parent letter to complete a consent form. If you have any questions please contact the NHS team.

Fixtures

The fixtures for next half-term can be viewed here: [Ormiston Six Villages Academy - Enrichment](#)

INSET day

A reminder that after the half-term break we have an INSET day on Monday 2nd November and students return to school on Tuesday 3rd November.

We wish all of our families a happy and enjoyable half-term break. As the evenings become darker and Halloween and Bonfire Night celebrations begin, please take extra care when travelling, attending firework displays and spending time outdoors. We look forward to seeing students return safely after the holiday on Tuesday 3rd November.

Yours faithfully



Josh Case
Head of School