



**Ormiston
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Academy**

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FORTNIGHTLY PARENT BULLETIN

14th March 2025

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Meet the School Governors – Wednesday 19th March

The governors would like to give parents/carers an opportunity to meet them and give feedback regarding Academy Development Plan Focus - Student Outcomes. If you would like to book an appointment, please let us know by contacting us at contact@ormistonsudbury.co.uk

This will be held in **the Curve (at the front of school) between 3:00pm to 3.25pm on Wednesday 19th March.**

If you are unable to attend but would like to give feedback to the governors about any aspect of communication between the Academy and parents/carers, please send that via e-mail to the contact@ormistonsudbury.co.uk address with 'For Governors' as the subject line and we will pass on your thoughts. Please ensure we receive your feedback before the end of the day on Monday 17th March.

Year 9 MenACWY/DTP Immunisations – Tuesday 25th March

Please be aware you must accept or decline the vaccinations. Please see [HERE](#) to complete the online form.

On the date of vaccination, the nursing team ask to see the whole year group. It is important for you to discuss and complete the consent form with your child, so they are aware of your wishes.

Go4Schools

For Go4Schools - please follow the link [HERE](#)

NEWS, EVENTS AND TRIPS

Forthcoming Events/Visits – March 2025

Year 10/11 Revise with your child evening – Thursday 20th March 5pm to 6.30pm – **Cancelled**

STUDENT OPPORTUNITIES

OSA clubs

Please find all lunchtime club information* [HERE](#)

Please find all after school club information* [HERE](#)

**PE clubs may differ*

COMMUNITY INFORMATION

10 Top Tips for Parents – Using Technology to Boost Reading Skills

Please see [HERE](#) for more details.

Suffolk County Council – Funded School Travel

Message to parents

If your child is eligible for Suffolk County Council (SCC) funded school travel, you will need to opt-in by 31 May 2025 to receive travel for the start of the 2025/2026 school year.

If your child already receives SCC funded school travel, you still need to opt-in every year.

If your child is starting secondary school in September 2025 and they are eligible for SCC funded school travel, you will be contacted by the 3 April 2025. You will need to opt-in if you would like your child to use this service.

For more information on the SCC school travel policy and getting your child to school please visit:

www.suffolkonboard.com/optin

My Health, Our Future – My Family

Please find a survey for parents, carers and guardians about family health and wellbeing [HERE](#)

If you are a parent, carer, or guardian, please take a few minutes to tell Healthwatch Suffolk about the wellbeing of your family and the support you get from the NHS or social care services

To parents/carers of students over 13 years of age

Dear Parents/ Guardians,

My name is Gemma Rides, a PhD researcher from Royal Holloway University of London, and we are collaborating with your child's school on a research project which explores **how young people are interacting with social media and how this might influence the way they think and feel**. We are contacting you as we would like to invite your child to take part in this timely research project. To compensate for your child's time, participating students will have the opportunity to **win one of ten £50 vouchers!**

To find out more about this project, please see the flyer [HERE](#) with a QR code that will take you to an online information sheet and consent form. Once you have provided consent, the form will load an information sheet and consent form for your child to read and complete.

If you have any questions, please contact me via email (gemma.rides@rhul.ac.uk).

Best wishes,

Gemma

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Change to bus colour and logo – in Suffolk from Summer 2025

Over the next few months, some of our buses which are used on school contracts in Norfolk will be repainted blue and feature a modernised logo and name. This rebrand will have the greatest impact on our contracted services across Suffolk and Essex where our Hedingham and Chambers brand will transition from being **Red and Burgundy** painted buses to become Dark Blue and the name will be changed to Konectbuses as shown below:



Please see more details [HERE](#)

Information from Suffolk County Council – Household Support Fund – February half term and Easter Holidays

Please see [HERE](#) for more information/how to redeem vouchers.

Teens and Tweens Book Club – Sudbury Library

This will be held on the following days/dates from 10.30am to 11.30am:

1st March/29th March/26th April/24th May/ 21st June

- Please come along with your library card – no charge
- Free drinks and snacks available
- Recommended age: 10-14 years

IMPORTANT CAREERS INFORMATION FOR STUDENTS/PARENTS/CARERS

Forthcoming Careers Events

Career events this half term

Monday 17 March, Year 8 Green Careers Event with West Suffolk College – workshop for student to find out about sustainability and ‘Green Careers’ – please see below for more details

Tuesday 18 March, Year 9 Future Steps with West Suffolk College - workshop introducing students to different Post 16 pathways and qualifications – please see below for more details

Tuesday 25 March, Year 10/11 – Apprenticeship Assembly and Workshop with Suffolk Apprenticeships – Information on Apprenticeships and how to search for opportunities.

National Careers Week

Next week is National Careers Week, please find [HERE](#) a Parent’s Guide to Careers for NCW.

Green Futures Career Event

On Monday 17th March all Year 8 students will be taking part in a ‘Green Futures’ career event at the Academy. Students will be participating in a range of activities relating to green careers and building a sustainable future. This event is supported by West Suffolk College, the Environment Agency, MACE Construction, FCC Environment and Scrummi.

If you have any questions, please email Miss Boreham on hboreham@ormistonsudbury.co.uk

Year 9 Future Steps Workshop

On Tuesday 18th March 2025 all Year 9 students will be taking part in a 'Future Steps' workshop hosted by West Suffolk College. The workshop will last an hour, and student will be finding out about different Post 16 options available to them. This workshop is to ensure we are compliant with Provider Access Legislation for KS3. For further information see link below:

[2024-04-23-OAT.OSA-Provider-Access-Policy-Released-April-2024.pdf](#)

If you have any questions, please email Miss Boreham on hboreham@ormistonsudbury.co.uk

Year 10 Parents Work Experience

Students that have secured work experience placements for July can now set these up on the Unifrog careers platform. All Year 10 students have been emailed instructions on how to do this, a guide on how to upload information to Unifrog can be found here:

[Guides - Placement - Unifrog](#)

If you have any questions regarding work experience, please email Careers Adviser Miss Boreham at hboreham@ormistonsudbury.co.uk

Post 16 Applications

Please remind your young person to check their emails regularly for updates on their college application. Some students have missed interviews because they have not done so and may need to book an interview slot with the college. If your child has not yet had a response, then please do get in contact with the college/6th Form directly to check that they have the right contact information.

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Copies of **Letters to Parents/Carers** may be found on our website [here](https://ormistonsudburyacademy.co.uk/key-info/letters-to-parents-carers)
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Previous versions of our **Parent Email Bulletins** may be viewed on our website [here](https://ormistonsudburyacademy.co.uk/key-info/letters-to-parents-carers/electronic-bulletins)
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