



**Ormiston  
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Academy**

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## **FORTNIGHTLY PARENT BULLETIN**

### **9<sup>th</sup> May 2025**

#### **IMPORTANT INFORMATION**

##### ***Year 11 Exams begin this week***

Best wishes to our Year 11 who begin their written BTEC exams this week and GCSE's next week.

##### ***Food Service Assistant Required at OSA***

Please see [HERE](#) if you are interested in applying for this position.

##### ***Water Bottles and New Recycling Rules for Schools***

Please can we ensure that students come into the Academy with a water bottle. Now the weather is getting warmer it is important that they keep hydrated. We have several water dispensers that students can refill their bottles during break and lunchtime.

Please can we request that students **do not bring canned drinks** into the Academy. Thank you.

##### ***Go4Schools***

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

#### **NEWS, EVENTS AND TRIPS**

##### ***DofE Expedition 2<sup>nd</sup> to 4<sup>th</sup> May***

Several of our year 10 students completed their practice silver DofE expedition weekend in Bures. They walked and navigated 17km on both Saturday and Sunday along with a 10km walk on Friday, as well as camping, cooking, and enjoying the outdoors - a big achievement for them all! Well done!

##### ***Forthcoming Events/Visits – Summer Term 2025***

##### ***MAY***

Date	Event	Information
15.05.25	Year 7 Parents/Curriculum Evening – Online	Booking details have been emailed to parents/carers.
15.05.25	Year 7 & 8 boys' and girls' multi-skills event	4.00pm to 6.15pm King Edward School, BSE
20.05.25	Y9 Rounders Tournament	OSA 3.30pm to 6.00pm
20.05.25	Duke of Edinburgh – Student Meetings	Compulsory after school session for students going on the DofE expedition (silver level). This will run until 4pm. Please see Miss Cooke for more information.
21.05.25	Year 10 Trip to BT Adastral Park, Ipswich	8.30am to 3.30pm – selected students

21.05.25	Year 8 HPS students Graduation at Cambridge University	Selected students – all day Further details have been sent to parents/carers of students concerned
22.05.25	Y10 Rounders Tournament	OSA 3.30pm to 6.00pm
23.05.25 to 25.05.25	Duke of Edinburgh Silver Award Weekend	Thetford – selected students

## JUNE

Date	Event	Information
04.06.25	U15 Athletics Competition	Bury St Edmunds 1.00pm to 6.30pm
05.06.25	Y7 Rounders Tournament	OSA 3.30pm to 6.00pm
11.06.25	Year 9/10 National theatre Trip 'London Road'	For Acting students - 11.00am to 8.30pm
11.06.25	Y8 Rounders Tournament	OSA 3.30pm to 6.00pm
12.06.25	Year 8 Parents/Curriculum Evening – Online	Booking details will be emailed to parents/carers nearer the time.
12.06.25	U14 Athletics Competition	Bury St Edmunds 1.00pm to 6.30pm
17.06.25	Duke of Edinburgh – Student Meetings	Compulsory after school session for students going on the DofE expedition (bronze level). This will run until 4pm. Please see Miss Cooke for more information.
18.06.25	Year 7/8 Big Bang Trip	Birmingham NEC 9.00am to 7.30pm. <i>Now fully booked</i>
19.06.25	Dance Show	Further details will be given to those students involved.
19.06.25	<b>Year 7 intake (only)</b> uniform shop	This will be held at OSA by Anglia Sports Wear from 3.30pm to 5.30pm
19.06.25	Year 11 leavers assembly	Year 11 students only to attend
19.06.25	U13 Athletics Competition	Bury St Edmunds 1.00pm to 6.30pm
20.06.25 to 22.06.25	Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Award Expedition	Selected students
24.06.25	Y7 County Final Rounders	OSA 2.00pm to 5.00pm
25.06.25 and 26.06.25	RSC Production at the Mercury Theatre, Colchester	Selected students
25.06.25 to 27.06.25	Year 8 residential trip to Ypres	<i>Now fully booked</i>
26.06.25	Y8 County Final Rounders	OSA 2.00pm to 5.00pm
26.06.25	Year 11 Prom	7.30pm to 10.00pm
27.06.25	Performing Arts OSCARS Showcase	<i>Further details to follow</i>
30.06.25	U12 Athletics Competition	Bury St Edmunds 1.00pm to 6.30pm

## JULY

Date	Event	Information
01.07.25 & 02.07.25	Year 10 Summer Insight Day – University of Essex (Humanities and Science)	8.45am to 3.30pm – selected students See Miss Boreham for more information
02.07.25	Y9 County Final Rounders	OSA 2.00pm to 5.00pm
03.07.25 and 04.07.25	Sports day	All year groups
03.07.25	Meet the tutor welcome evening	For parents/carers of <b>new Year 7 students</b> joining us in Sept 2025

From 07.07.25	Year 10 work experience week	
07.07.25 and 08.07.25	Y6 transition days	
08.07.25	Y10 County Final Rounders	OSA 2.00pm to 5.00pm
10.07.25	Year 10 into 11 transition evening	<i>Further details to follow</i>
10.07.25	OATS Got Talent Final	Birmingham – selected students
11.07.27	Colchester Castle trip Y7	Letters sent to parents this week
14.07.25 to 16.07.25	Year 9 residential Trip to Kingswood	<i>Now fully booked</i>

## STUDENT OPPORTUNITIES

### OSA clubs

Maths support clubs are available to students after school:

*Tuesdays 3.15pm to 4.15pm – Years 9 and 10*

*Wednesdays 3.15pm to 4.15pm – Years 7 and 8*

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

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

Up to date **PE** clubs can be found [HERE](#)

## IMPORTANT CAREERS INFORMATION FOR STUDENTS/PARENTS/CARERS

### Parents/Carers – Can you help us?

We are still looking for work experience placements for our Year 10 students. If you run a business or work for a company that might be able to support a young person by offering a placement then please contact Miss Boreham at [hboreham@ormistonsudbury.co.uk](mailto:hboreham@ormistonsudbury.co.uk) for further details. Our work experience week is 7-11th July 2025.

### Year 10 - 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](mailto:hboreham@ormistonsudbury.co.uk)

### Suffolk County Council Letter – Next Steps after Year 11

Please see the letter from Suffolk County Council requesting information from parents [HERE](#)

### 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/6<sup>th</sup> Form directly to check that they have the right contact information.

# COMMUNITY INFORMATION

## ***Suffolk Parent Carer Forum***

### **For Information - parents of children with a SEND**

Suffolk Parent Carer Forum are pleased to share that The **SPCF Annual Survey 2025** is now live.

We are gathering the experiences of parents and carers on Special Educational Needs & Disabilities (SEND) in the last year, to influence positive change in Suffolk for children and young people.

The survey is open from **1st - 31st May** to all Suffolk based parents and carers who have children and young people with special educational needs and/or disabilities.

Please would you share the survey with your SEND parents and carers for them to complete. You can start the survey by clicking this link -here – <https://forms.office.com/e/1XtzZ3LXeJ>

Thank you for your continued support.

Kind Regards,

**Suffolk Parent Carer Forum**

## ***FAQ guide to Kooth for parents and carers***

Kooth is an online, mental health and wellbeing service for children and young people. Please see [HERE](#) and [HERE](#) for more details/information.

## ***NHS Norfolk and Suffolk – Supporting Young Peoples Mental Health***

Please find [HERE](#) the booking details of upcoming parent/carers mental health and wellbeing workshops for the summer term.

## ***10 Top Tips for parents – Safety on the road***

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

## ***What parents need to know about MAKING FRIENDS ONLINE***

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](http://www.suffolkonboard.com/optin)

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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>)

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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