



ORMISTON  
DENES ACADEMY

# **The Denes Directory Autumn Term 2024-2025**

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## **Key Contacts**

### **Main switch board**

01502 574474 [info@ormistonden.co.uk](mailto:info@ormistonden.co.uk)

### **Attendance Officer. Mrs Zoe Petersen**

01502 574474 followed by number 1 [attendance@ormistonden.co.uk](mailto:attendance@ormistonden.co.uk)

### **Designated Safeguarding Lead. Mrs Rebecca Andrews**

01502 574474 then extension 120 [randrews@ormistonden.co.uk](mailto:randrews@ormistonden.co.uk)

### **Safeguarding Officer. Mrs Michelle Read**

01502 574474 then extension 167 [mread@ormistonden.co.uk](mailto:mread@ormistonden.co.uk)

### **SENDco. Mrs Karen Hillier**

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[khillier@ormistonden.co.uk](mailto:khillier@ormistonden.co.uk)

### **Senior Leadership Team**

Mrs Kate Williams – Principal

Mrs Rebecca Andrews – Senior Vice Principal

Mr Adrian Donovan – Vice Principal Teaching & Learning

Ms Megan Aves – Assistant Principal Behaviour & Attitudes

Miss Caitlin Beales – Assistant Principal Raising Achievement

Mrs Rosie Horsfield – Assistant Principal Attendance & Safeguarding

Mr Matthew Wallace – Assistant Principal Quality of Education

## **Key Dates**

### **Autumn Term 1**

Starts Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> September

Ends Friday 25<sup>th</sup> October

### **Autumn Term 2**

Starts Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> October

Ends Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> December

(school is closed to students on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> October for staff training)

### **Spring Term 1**

Starts Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> January

Ends Friday 14<sup>th</sup> February

(school is closed to students on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January for staff training)

### **Spring Term 2**

Starts Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> February

Ends Friday 4<sup>th</sup> April

(school is closed to students on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February for staff training)

### **Summer Term 1**

Starts Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> April

Ends Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> May

(school is closed on Monday 21<sup>st</sup> April and Monday 5<sup>th</sup> May for Bank Holidays)

### **Summer Term 2**

Starts Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> June

Ends Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July

## **Parents' Evenings and Events**

Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> September. Year 11 Raising Achievement Evening

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> September. Year 7 Settling In Evening

Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> September. Welcome to GCSE Evening (Year 10)

Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> October. Open Evening

Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> January. Year 11 Parents Evening

Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> February. Year 9 Parents Evening & Options

Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> March. Year 10 Parents Evening

Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> May. Year 8 Parents Evening

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> June. Year 7 Parents Evening

## **Communications**

### **ParentMail** | ParentMail

Primarily, ParentMail is used to send out the vast majority of letters from the school, as well as important notices and information. Any family without email will receive communications in the post, or with a letter given to their child to take home. If you would like to add or update an email address, please send this information to [info@ormistonden.co.uk](mailto:info@ormistonden.co.uk), along with your child's name, year and form group.

### **Text message**

Text messages are used to send truancy notifications. A truancy call is triggered when your child is absent from the school and we have not been contacted to provide a reason why. Text messages are also used when we need to get an important message to parents and carers very quickly.

### **Form Packs**

Letters/packs are occasionally given to students in form time to bring home. If this happens, we will send an alert via email so you are aware.

### **Principal's Letter**

The Principal's letter is sent out via email every Friday and put on the school's website. If your child has achieved something outside of the school, please send details to [swatson@ormistonden.co.uk](mailto:swatson@ormistonden.co.uk) so we can include it in the newsletter and share the achievement with everyone.



Go4Schools gives you access to up to date detailed assessment information for each subject area, the timetable, attendance information and progress reports. To be able to see information about your child, log on to [www.go4schools.com](http://www.go4schools.com) and click the parent icon in the top right hand corner. Use the email address you provided to the school, you will be sent a password to that email address to enable you to log on to the site. If you have any issues please contact us.

## Social Media

We have the following social media accounts;



Facebook: OrmistonDenes



Instagram: @ormistondenes



Twitter: @OrmistonDenes

*Please follow us to keep up to date with everything we do.*

**Please also check out our website at <http://www.ormistondenes.co.uk/>**

## Parent View

We want to understand which areas we are doing well in and where we could improve our provision even more. To facilitate this, we will send out surveys via Parentmail after each Parents Evening and ask if you would kindly take the time to complete them.

## Curriculum Leaders

English	Mrs Caitlin Dobson	<a href="mailto:cdobson@ormistonden.es.co.uk">cdobson@ormistonden.es.co.uk</a>
Maths	Mrs Claire Wilkinson	<a href="mailto:cwilkinson@ormistonden.es.co.uk">cwilkinson@ormistonden.es.co.uk</a>
Science	Mr Simon Roper	<a href="mailto:sroper@ormistonden.es.co.uk">sroper@ormistonden.es.co.uk</a>
History	Mr Antony Bennett	<a href="mailto:abennett@ormistonden.es.co.uk">abennett@ormistonden.es.co.uk</a>
Geography	Mrs Sophie Steward	<a href="mailto:ssteward@ormistonden.es.co.uk">ssteward@ormistonden.es.co.uk</a>
Modern Foreign Languages	Miss Georgina Best	<a href="mailto:gbest@ormistonden.es.co.uk">gbest@ormistonden.es.co.uk</a>
PE	Miss Cherelle Gogar	<a href="mailto:cgogar@ormistonden.es.co.uk">cgogar@ormistonden.es.co.uk</a>
Art & Technology	Mrs Jo Westgate	<a href="mailto:jwestgate@ormistonden.es.co.uk">jwestgate@ormistonden.es.co.uk</a>
Performing Arts	Mrs Jackie Turner	<a href="mailto:jturner@ormistonden.es.co.uk">jturner@ormistonden.es.co.uk</a>
IT/Business Studies	Mr Derek Haysom	<a href="mailto:dhaysom@ormistonden.es.co.uk">dhaysom@ormistonden.es.co.uk</a>

## Year Teams

Head of Year 11	Mrs Jolene Sheriff-Horner	<a href="mailto:jsheriff@ormistonden.es.co.uk">jsheriff@ormistonden.es.co.uk</a>
Pastoral Manager Year 11	Mrs Honey Turpin	<a href="mailto:hturpin@ormistonden.es.co.uk">hturpin@ormistonden.es.co.uk</a>
Head of Year 10	Miss Megan Arnold	<a href="mailto:marnold@ormistonden.es.co.uk">marnold@ormistonden.es.co.uk</a>
Pastoral Manager Year 10	Miss Kayleigh Ward	<a href="mailto:kward@ormistonden.es.co.uk">kward@ormistonden.es.co.uk</a>
Head of Year 9	Miss Liberty Grimmer	<a href="mailto:lgrimmer@ormistonden.es.co.uk">lgrimmer@ormistonden.es.co.uk</a>
Pastoral Manager Year 9	Mrs Nicola Schroder	<a href="mailto:nschroder@ormistonden.es.co.uk">nschroder@ormistonden.es.co.uk</a>
Head of Year 8	Miss Hannah Smith-Howell	<a href="mailto:HaSmith-Howell@ormistonden.es.co.uk">HaSmith-Howell@ormistonden.es.co.uk</a>
Pastoral Manager Year 8	Miss Lizzie Eaton	<a href="mailto:Leaton@ormistonden.es.co.uk">Leaton@ormistonden.es.co.uk</a>
Head of Year 7	Miss Lisa Parish-Heath	<a href="mailto:lparish-heath@ormistonden.es.co.uk">lparish-heath@ormistonden.es.co.uk</a>
Pastoral Manager Year 7	Mrs Gemma Calver	<a href="mailto:gcalver@ormistonden.es.co.uk">gcalver@ormistonden.es.co.uk</a>

## **Points of Contact**

Immediate concerns about your child's welfare or safety	Mrs Michelle Read, Safeguarding Officer <a href="mailto:mread@ormistonden.es.co.uk">mread@ormistonden.es.co.uk</a>
Pastoral support	Relevant Pastoral Manager (see page 6)
Concerns about any additional needs your child has	Mrs Karen Hillier, SENDco <a href="mailto:khillier@ormistonden.es.co.uk">khillier@ormistonden.es.co.uk</a>
Questions the Form Tutor has been unable to resolve	Relevant Head of Year (see page 6)
Questions that the Head of Year has been unable to resolve	Mr Adrian Donovan <a href="mailto:adonovan@ormistonden.es.co.uk">adonovan@ormistonden.es.co.uk</a>
Questions regarding a particular subject	Curriculum Leader (see page 6)
Questions that the Curriculum Leader has been unable to resolve	Mr Adrian Donovan <a href="mailto:adonovan@ormistonden.es.co.uk">adonovan@ormistonden.es.co.uk</a>

**We try to answer any query within 24 hours, however this is not always possible.**

**During the school day, our students come first so it is not always possible for staff members to see parents or receive phone calls without prior arrangement.**

**Our staff expect to be shown the same respect as we show others.**