



ORMISTON DENES ACADEMY

Dear Parent and Carers,

18th October 2024

Students have continued to be excellent ambassadors for the academy. Congratulations to Ella and Harry who have been elected to OAT student leadership regional roles and to all our students who have represented Ormiston Denes at sporting events this week. There is a real buzz around the academy and a sense of pride of what we are achieving together. Suggestions from our student leaders include running charity events and building a reputation for helping others by showing true community spirit.

Attendance - This is a long half term, and we know that some students are finding it harder to get out of bed in the mornings. Please support your child by ensuring they have set an alarm each evening and maintaining positive conversations about school. Even better, set their alarm earlier so that they come to breakfast club and start the day with a free breakfast and more opportunities to prepare for the day ahead. Every minute matters, if we are late, we miss important messages and learning that starts at 8.40am.

RSE/PSHE consultation. Consultation on our Relationships and Sex Education (RSE) and Health Education curriculum opened last week. If you wish to make comments, please use [this Microsoft Form](#). The consultation will close on Friday 25th October 2024.

The Form Time Focus next week will be "Ready".

We will be teaching the following **PSHE topics** next week. If you do not wish for your child to participate or have a question relating to the subjects, please contact your child's Head of Year.

Year 11 – How might my health affect my performance?

Year 10 – What else should I know about drugs and alcohol?

Year 9 – Why might people use steroids?

Year 8 – What should I know about knife crime?

Year 7 – What is bullying?

Votes for schools - This week students have been voting on "Are we getting better at talking about periods?" If you would like to continue this discussion with your child, please click [here](#) for further resources.

Have a lovely weekend.

Yours faithfully

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