



# ORMISTON DENES ACADEMY

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Dear Parent and Carers,

16<sup>th</sup> May 2025

It has been another really positive week at the academy. Our Year 11 students have embraced the exam season and so many are also engaging in extra revision sessions that their dedication to success has made us even prouder.

Whilst exams are hugely important, school life for everyone else continues with the RNLI holding workshops for our year 7 students teaching them all about water safety. Our Y10 students had a Pathways trip to the University of East Anglia and all our normal sporting activities continued including a good uptake in our tennis club on Wednesday.

We have also had a visit this week from our Education Director Richard Dolding focusing on learning in classrooms and in books and he maintained his positive attitude about what our staff and children are achieving.

Thank you to those of you who gave us such lovely feedback after Year 8 parents' evening. We have shared this with staff who always appreciate it.

### **Deadline approaches to apply for Suffolk County Council (SCC) funded transport.**

The deadline to opt-in for SCC funded school travel for the 2025/26 school term is fast approaching. If your child is eligible for 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. For more information on the SCC school travel policy and getting your child to school, please visit: [Opt-in - Suffolkonboard \(suffolkonboard.com\)](https://suffolkonboard.suffolkonboard.com).

**The Form Time Focus** next week is "Proud"

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 – Exams

Year 10 – What is international law?

Year 9 – How are condoms used?

Year 8 – Careers and the climate.

Year 7 – Careers/UEA Workshop.

**Votes for schools** - This week students have been voting on "Should shoplifting below £200 be treated more seriously? 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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