



ORMISTON DENES ACADEMY

Dear Parent and Carers,

5th September 2025

It has been a pleasure to welcome students back into the academy for a new academic year and to meet our incredible new Year 7 students. Students have been fully inducted back into the academy with our student inset sessions which has not only focused on The Denes Way but has included sessions on the Learning Pit, the Denes Learner and Glimmers. I'd like to take this opportunity to thank you for ensuring your child has returned ready for the year ahead with the correct uniform and equipment, it has really helped students begin the year with the right focus. Could I ask for your help in reminding your child to bring their bag with them to school every day to help them stay organised and ready for every lesson.

This has been our first few days of running our own catering service and feedback from the children about both the quality of the offer and how much further their money or free school meal credit goes has been really positive.

The official school photographer is here on 10th September. Please remind your child of this as I know many like to make a special effort on that day.

Our Key Stage 4 (Year 10 and 11) Raising Achievement evenings taking place on 18th September. Letters were issued to parents on 1st September, please also see our social media sites for details. We look forward to seeing you there enabling us to work together to help your child be as successful as possible this year.

The school nurse begins the flu vaccination programme on 23rd September. Details have been issued to all parents but if you do not wish for your child to receive this vaccination, please ensure you use the opt out service on the vaccination website [Vaccination UK East Anglia Immunisation](#).

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

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 – Does life have value?

Year 10 – What is mental health?

Year 9 – What is news?

Year 8 – How do rules and laws differ?

Year 7 – What is PSHE?

Votes for schools - This week students have been voting on "Have you kept up with the headlines this summer? 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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