

# The Denes Directory Spring Term 2025-2026

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## **Key Contacts**

#### Main switch board

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#### Attendance Officer, Mrs Zoe Petersen

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## Designated Safeguarding Lead. Ms Rosie Horsfield

01502 574474 then extension 108 rhorsfield@ormistondenes.co.uk

## Safeguarding Officer. Mrs Michelle Read

01502 574474 then extension 167 mread@ormistondenes.co.uk

## SENDco. Mrs Jenny Wood

01502 574474 then extension 191

jwood@ormistondenes.co.uk (maternity cover)

#### **Senior Leadership Team**

Mrs Kate Williams – Principal

Mrs Rebecca Andrews – Senior Vice Principal

Mr Adrian Donovan – Vice Principal Teaching & Learning

Mr Neil Ketteringham – Assistant Principal Behaviour & Attitudes (maternity cover)

Miss Caitlin Beales – Assistant Principal Raising Achievement

Ms Rosie Horsfield – Assistant Principal Attendance & Safeguarding

Mr Matthew Wallace – Assistant Principal Teaching & Learning

Miss Charlotte Leeming - HR

## **Key Dates**

## Spring Term 1. Starts Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> January. Ends Friday 13<sup>th</sup> February

(Half Term Monday 16<sup>th</sup> February to Friday 20<sup>th</sup> February).

# Spring Term 2. Starts Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> February. Ends Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March

(School closed to students on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> February for staff training. Easter Break Monday 30<sup>th</sup> March to Friday 10<sup>th</sup> April)

## **Parents' Evenings and Events**

Year 11 Parents Evening 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2026

Year 9 Parents Evening 12<sup>th</sup> February 2026

Year 10 Parents Evening 26th February 2026

Year 8 Parents Evening 7<sup>th</sup> May 2026

Year 7 Parents Evening 18th June 2026

## **Communications**

## **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 messages communicated very quickly.



From January 2026 will be replacing our G4Schools system with Arbor and allow us to communicate more effectively with you. This will happen incrementally, and we will keep you informed in advance of each step with what this will mean for you. Key benefits mean you can:

- Stay in touch easily and for free with in-app messaging.
- Receive important updates instantly, so you never miss key information.
- Contact us quickly through the app.
- Go cashless with secure card payments for meals, trips, and more.
- Manage bookings for clubs, trips, and meetings with just a few taps.
- Check your child's attendance, behaviour, and progress anytime, anywhere.

Eventually, Arbor will also replace our Parentmail app, which will take care of all trip payments, student lunch account top ups and parental permissions.

#### Social Media

We have the following social media accounts;



Facebook: OrmistonDenes



Instagram: @ormistondenes



Twitter: @OrmistonDenes

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 Abor after each Parents Evening and ask if you would kindly take the time to complete them.

## **Contact Us**

Key Contacts can be found on page two of this booklet and on the following two pages, however you can also contact us using the "Contact Form" on our website. 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.

## **Photo Consent**

We kindly ask that you review the current photo permissions we have on file for your child. In instances where we do not have the appropriate consent, your child's face will be obscured in any group photographs used in school publications or shared on our social media platforms.

If you would like to update or confirm your preferences, please contact us at **ODA** info@ormistondenes.co.uk.

# **Curriculum Leaders**

English	Mrs Caitlin Dobson	cdobson@ormistondenes.co.uk
Maths	Mrs Claire Wilkinson	cwilkinson@ormistondenes.co.uk
Science	Mr Simon Roper	sroper@ormistondenes.co.uk
History	Mr Daniel Hissey	dhissey@ormistondenes.co.uk
Geography	Miss Sophie Steward	ssteward@ormistondenes.co.uk
Modern Foreign Languages	Miss Georgina Best	gbest@ormistondenes.co.uk
Physical Education	Miss Cherelle Gogar	cgogar@ormistondenes.co.uk
Art & Technology	Mrs Jo Westgate	<u>iwestgate@ormistondenes.co.uk</u>
Performing Arts	Mrs Charlotte Howard	choward@ormistondenes.co.uk
IT/Business Studies	Mr Derek Haysom	dhaysom@ormistondenes.co.uk

## **Year Teams**

Head of Year 11	Miss Megan Arnold	marnold@ormistondenes.co.uk
Pastoral Manager Year 11	Miss Kayleigh Ward	kward@ormistondenes.co.uk
Head of Year 10	Miss Liberty Grimmer	lgrimmer@ormistondenes.co.uk
Pastoral Manager Year 10	Mrs Nicola Schroder	nschroder@ormistondenes.co.uk
Head of Year 9	Miss Hannah Smith-Howell <sup>1</sup>	HaSmith-Howell@ormistondenes.co.uk
Pastoral Manager Year 9	Miss Lizzie Eaton	<u>Leaton@ormistondenes.co.uk</u>
Head of Year 8	Miss Lisa Parish-Heath	<u>Iparish-heath@ormistondenes.co.uk</u>
Pastoral Manager Year 8	Mrs G Calver	gcalver@ormistondenes.co.uk
Head of Year 7	Mrs Jolene Sheriff-Horner	jsheriff@ormistondenes.co.uk
Pastoral Manager Year 7	Miss Annie Ward	award@ormistondenes.co.uk

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> During Miss Hannah Smith-Howell's maternity leave, Miss Lizzie Eaton will step into the Head of Year role.

# **Other Points of Contact**

Immediate concerns about your child's welfare or safety	Mrs Michelle Read, Safeguarding Officer  mread@ormistondenes.co.uk
Pastoral support	Relevant Pastoral Manager (see page 6)
Concerns about any additional needs your child has	Mrs Jenny Wood, SENDco
	jwood@ormistondenes.co.uk
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	Mr Adrian Donovan
resolve	adonovan@ormistondenes.co.uk
Questions regarding a particular subject	Curriculum Leader (see page 6)
Questions that the Curriculum Leader has been	Mr Adrian Donovan
unable to resolve	adonovan@ormistondenes.co.uk
Careers and Options	Mr Ollie Cooper
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Transition and Curriculum Enrichment	Mrs Julie Richings
Co-Coordinator	<u>irichings@ormistondenes.co.uk</u>
Admissions	Mrs Kathy Osborn
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Clerk to the Governors	Mrs Sarah Pitts
	Sarah.Pitts@ormistonacademies.co.uk
Complaints Co-Ordinator	Miss Sarah Watson
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