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**PRIMARY ACADEMY**

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Welcome to our first newsletter of the academic year as Ormiston Cliff Park Primary Academy.

As informed earlier this week, our journey as the new Academy has had a fantastic start. Thank you everyone, for the contribution you have all made to make this happen.

### **New Prospectus**

Your child is bringing home a copy of our new Academy prospectus today which details the vision we have for your children and the values which shape our day to day working practices. We hope you find it an interesting and useful document.

### **Staffing**

We are delighted to welcome the following staff members to our team:

- Miss B Roper – Class Teacher
- Miss R Anguish and Miss O Mannell – Teaching Assistants
- Mrs B Edwards – Family Liaison/Pastoral Support Worker
- Mr T Garrod – IT Technician

Both Mrs Watkins (Vice Principal) and Mrs Haizel are really disappointed to have been unable to start the new term with the children. We look forward to them both returning very soon.

### **Uniform**

Thank you for your tremendous support of our uniform policy. Our uniform is an important part of Academy life in the way it is representative of our high expectations. The children are learning that when they ‘Put on their uniform’, they are putting on Ormiston Cliff Park Primary Academy and everything it stands for. We want them to feel proud to wear their uniform – as indeed they are showing they are!

### **Times of the Academy**

Our entry and exit procedures are becoming very well established. From Monday 13<sup>th</sup> September all children will be attending the Academy full time, accessing and leaving the site in the ways established during the first week. Please note **learning starts** at 8.50am, any child arriving after 8.50am will be recorded as late. It is best to aim to get your child into the Academy by 8.45am, to help them to be calm, organised and ready to start their learning at 8.50am. Gates are open from 8.30am to help families manage their time.

Please note end of day times:

EYFS and KS1 – 3.00pm

KS2 – 3.05pm

Regular attendance at the Academy is essential to maximise your child’s opportunities to make progress in their learning. For every day that a child does not attend the Academy, it is a day of

lost learning, which somehow has to be caught up. Attached to this letter is more information about the legal intervention which may be implemented where issues with attendance arise.

### **Accessing the Academy**

As you are aware, the entrance to the site is very restricted and is clearly an area where the parking of cars should not be occurring. We ask, in the interests of the safety of your children, that parents avoid driving (and parking!) on Orde Avenue. As the vast majority of children are within walking or cycling distance of the Academy, we would like families to seriously consider alternative, cheaper and environmentally friendlier forms of travel.

### **Bicycles and Pupil Independent Travel**

We really want to encourage children to use their cycles/scooters to travel to the Academy. Parents have the responsibility to ensure cycles and scooters are safe to use and that cycle helmets are worn. Parents of pupils in years 5 and 6 may choose to allow their children to walk/cycle to school. A signed permission slip from the parent is required before the child can leave the site independently, these will be being sent home very soon.

### **Cycle Scooter Safety**

May we remind parents that the Academy takes no responsibility for the safety of cycles/scooters whilst on the Academy site. It is advisable to provide a lock for the cycle. Pupils and adults must 'push' cycles/scooters whilst on site rather than ride them.

### **Communication with the Academy**

Please do not hesitate to contact the Academy office regarding any issue no matter how small.

If you wish to speak to your child's class teacher please contact the Academy office to make an appointment or use the class emails, which should be set up very shortly.

Our new website and Facebook pages provide a wealth of information as well as keeping you up-to-date with Academy life.

### **Dates for your Diary**

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> September – Year 3 Roman Day

Half Term 25<sup>th</sup> October to 29<sup>th</sup> October

End of Term 17<sup>th</sup> December 2021

### **Vacancy**

We currently have a Midday Supervisory Assistant vacancy, please contact the Academy office for an application form.

Thank you for your support.

Yours sincerely



Mrs K Rutherford  
Principal