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#### Welcome to our Year 7 Parents & Carers

Dear Parents/Carers,

I would like to welcome you personally to the Ormiston Rivers Academy community and hope that your child had an enjoyable and exciting first week at Rivers. Below is some information that you may find helpful to support your child throughout this academic year.

#### **CARE Values**

We encourage our students to display and adhere to our CARE values throughout their time at the academy with a particular focus this term on Ambition and Excellence:

"To participate and contribute positively to our school and local **Community**, have **Ambition** for ourselves, others and the school, **Respect** ourselves and others and be **Resilient** in the face of challenge and aim for **Excellence** in all that we do."

# **Rewards System**

Positive behaviour points will be given to students who demonstrate these CARE values. Our rewards system includes:

- Termly attendance draw each week that a student has 100% attendance they gain an entry into the termly draw for a £50 Just eat voucher.
- Teacher hero of the week recognising a student that has shown significant effort to progress their learning that week. This gains 25 positive points.
- PPA certificate scheme to recognise students achievements throughout the year more details to follow in the coming weeks.
- Club zero reward a termly reward for any student who has not been given any negative behaviour points.
- Community kindness tickets- staff and visitors will award a golden ticket for acts of kindness seen around the academy. The tickets will go into a termly prize draw.
- Yearly awards evening allowing us as a community to celebrate our students' success











**Go4Schools** allows you to access lots of information about your child about their timetable, attendance and behaviour. Details of how to login to the Go4Schools website and app are attached to this letter.

# Parent & Carer/Academy Communication

We encourage you to read the weekly newsletter which is sent out to parents/carers on Friday afternoon. This newsletter includes lots of updates and information about what has been taking place at the academy during that week. There is also a **ParentHub** page on the ORA website where you will find further helpful information.

The easiest way for us to communicate with you is via the **MyEd messaging app**. This app will allow you to receive messages from us and also report your child's absence if necessary. If you are unable to download the MyEd app, messages will be sent to you via text message and/or email.

# Parent & carer/Academy Agreement

At Ormiston Rivers Academy we are committed to:

- Listening to parents carefully and respectfully, including allocating an appropriate length of time for pre-arranged meetings
- · Responding appropriately to concerns raised
- Outlining any actions that may be required
- · Updating parents and carers on progress and outcomes of the concern
- · Listening and responding to updates from parents and carers

At Rivers we expect parents and carers to:

- · Communicate their concern respectfully and accurately
- · Listen to and consider the responses from the school
- Work in partnership with the school in order to reach a resolution, including supporting the Ormiston Rivers Academy Policies
- Allow time for the school to respond to concerns (unless an emergency, 24 hour email response to confirm receipt; 3-5 working days to follow up)
- Acknowledge past support and intervention made by the school, even if a problem reoccurs

If you have any questions or concerns about your child your first point of contact at the academy should be your child's Form Tutor and then the Head of Year, Mr Moon (smoon@ormistonriversacademy.co.uk).

Please bear in mind that our teachers and staff will be busy during the school day and may not be able to respond to you immediately. However, all of our staff will respond to you as soon as they can and where possible within 24 hours.

#### **Year 7 Form Tutors:**

7A1	Mr Chapman – rchapman@ormistonrivesracademy.co.uk
7A2	Ms Cope - tcope@ormistonrivesracademy.co.uk
7M1	Ms Sivakumar - msivakumar@ormistonriversacademy.co.uk
7M2	Ms Nicoll - nnicoll@ormistonriversacademy.co.uk
7D1	Ms Aleksandrova - saleksandrova@ormistonriversacademy.co.uk
7D2	Ms De Santos - adossantos@ormistonriversacademy.co.uk
7Z1	Ms May - rmay@ormistonriversacademy.co.uk
7Z2	Ms Dennis – adennis@ormistonriversacademy.co.uk

#### **Absence Reporting**

Students should attend school unless they are very unwell. On every day of absence please contact the school with the reason why your son/daughter is not attending. Please contact us as early as possible and at the latest by 8am on the first day of absence. This can be via the following methods:

MyEd Messaging App

ConnectED absence line: 0845 355 8104 or Attendance line: 01621 787855

#### **Change of Personal Details**

It is essential that we are kept up to date with changes in your contact details. This may be a change to a mobile number, an e-mail address, a full address or even a change of who is the first priority to contact. By keeping us up to date with changes we can ensure that you are receiving information regarding your child's progress and that we can contact someone in the case of an emergency. Or preferred means of communication is

by e-mail, please ensure that we have a current e-mail address for you. Please notify us of any changes by e-mail to: kcannon@ormistonriversacademy.co.uk.

# **Academy Mobile Phone Policy**

Phones need to be off/silent and out of sight during the school day. Phones and earphones will be confiscated on first sight and parents/carers only will have to collect them from the academy. A message will be sent to inform you if your child's phone has been confiscated. Students will not be able to collect the device.

## Dates for your diary

Wednesday 25 September 2024 @ 3.30pm - Year 7 Parents Meeting with Form Tutors

Thursday 26 September 2024 @ 7pm - E-Safety Parents Meeting

Tuesday 6 May 2025 - Year 7 Parents evening

Term dates can be found on the academy website here: **ORA Term Dates** 

Yours sincerely,

Joanne Williams,

Principal

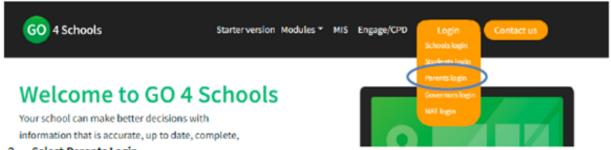
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# Parent / Carer Login

Go4Schools is an online platform providing parents and carers with live attainment, timetable, targets & attendance. This will also be where pupil reports are released.

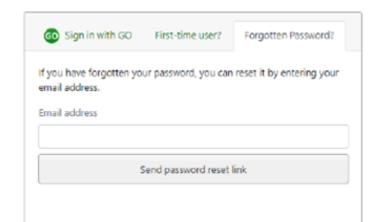


1 - www.Go4schools.com through any web browser.



- 2 Select Parents Login
- 3 Click First-time user
- 4 Enter email address registered with Ormiston Rivers
- 5 Click New password
- 6 Select Sign in to Parent Site
- 7 Open link sent to personal email address entered and activate account
- 8 Set your Go4Schools password
- 9 Sign in

8	Overview	Attendance live percentage for the academic year (24hr update).
80	Attendance	Behaviour positive and negative points.
28	Behaviour	Homework see what homework has been set.
128	Homework	Inbox messages from the school will be displayed here.
$\square$	Inbox	
lln	Progress	Progress grades for assessments taken over the academic year.
9	Reports	Reports Annual written communication including strengths and next steps.
0	Timetable	Timetable full academic timetable.



## Forgotten Password

If you have forgotten your password, click 'Forgotten your Password' which is located just below the sign in option.

Enter your school email address and a password reset will be emailed to your school account.

# G4S App Login

1 – Download the app.





Click here

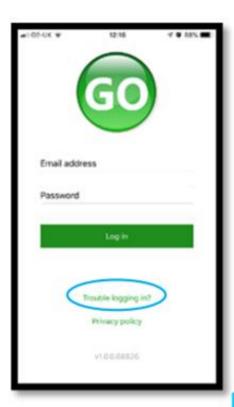
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- 2 Type in your school email address.
- 3 Type in your password.

This is the password you have already set in go4schools.

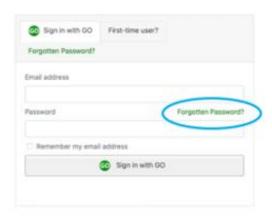


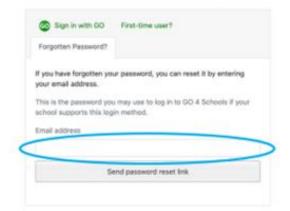




#### FORGOTTEN YOUR PASSWORD?

If you have forgotten your password, click 'Trouble logging in?'
This will open the web browser where you will click forgotten password.





Type in your school email address and click 'Send password reset link.

Open Outlook from Office 365 (your school email) and you will have received an email from Go4schools that include instructions on how to reset your password.