



11<sup>th</sup> March 2025

Dear Parents/Carers,

Further to some confusion which has arisen following a post on social media yesterday, I am writing to clarify the situation with regard to students' use of toilets during the school day.

Firstly, I would again like to remind you that posts on social media platforms are often incorrect or misinformed and can lead to further unnecessary confusion and concern, particularly when posted on large public forums. I would therefore ask you to use the correct channels of communication to raise any questions or concerns with the school. These can be found on our website via our parent help hub: <https://ormistonriversacademy.co.uk/key-info/parent-help-hub>. Direct contact with the school is the best way to ensure that you receive accurate information, and we will always provide responses and support as quickly as possible.

With regard to the toilets, we have introduced a small change at break and lunchtime. The toilets are open for the whole of break and lunch, except for the last five minutes when a barrier will be pulled across the entrance. The purpose of this is to ensure that students are at their line-ups and lessons promptly and are not missing valuable learning time. The barriers are removed after five minutes and the toilets remain open for the entire school day.

I hope that this has helped to clarify any misunderstanding. We continue to work hard to improve our school systems and processes and thank you for your support with our endeavours.

Yours faithfully,

Ms Williams

Principal