



Message from the Principal

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we reach the end of another busy and productive half term, I would like to take this opportunity to thank our students, staff and families for their continued commitment and support. It has been a busy half term with many valuable experiences for our students.

This week, a group of our Year 9 students had the exciting opportunity to attend a Work Ready Workshop at the BT Group headquarters in London. The workshop was designed to inspire young people to explore how their existing skills can connect to future careers in the digital world. During the visit, students heard directly from BT experts, explored cutting-edge technology, and participated in activities that developed essential workplace skills such as critical thinking and problem-solving. We are very grateful to Ms Compton for organising this fantastic opportunity and to Ms Dennis, Ms Goolfee and Ms Robson for accompanying and supporting our students throughout the trip.

We were delighted to celebrate a significant milestone for our older students at the Year 13 Leavers' Celebration. The event provided a special opportunity to recognise and reflect on their many achievements, both academically and personally during their time with us. Students enjoyed the chance to come together as a year group, share memories, and mark the end of an important chapter in their lives. We are incredibly proud of all they have accomplished and wish them every success and happiness as they move on to the next stage of their journeys, whether in higher education, apprenticeships or employment.

Information regarding the Year 11 Leavers' Assembly and arrangements for their final examinations will be shared with parents separately.

As part of our ongoing commitment to improving systems and communication, staff are now successfully using the Arbor system to support behaviour procedures, including recording behaviour points and issuing detentions. The Go4Schools system is no longer in use for behaviour and updates will no longer appear on that app. Further details on how parents and carers can access Arbor will be shared after half term.

Following recent student feedback, we will also be placing an increased focus on positive behaviour during social times (break and lunchtime). Students are expected to move calmly around the school, keep to designated areas, follow staff instructions promptly and use respectful language at all times. We would greatly appreciate your support in reinforcing these expectations, helping us maintain a calm, respectful and safe environment for all.

Thank you once again for your continued support. We wish all our families a restful and enjoyable half term break.

Warm regards,

Dijana Piralic

Principal (Interim)



Dates for your Diary

Monday 25 May – Friday 29 May 2026

Half Term Holiday

Friday 5 June 2026

Confirmation of Year 9 Options

Monday 29 June – Friday 3 July 2026

Year 12 Work Experience

Wednesday 1 July 2026

Staff INSET Day – academy closed to students

Tuesday 7 July 2026

Y11 Prom

Tuesday 14, Wednesday 15, Thursday 16 July 2026

Cym & Dance Show

Monday 20th July - Friday 24th July

Year 10 Work Experience

Monday 20th July 2026

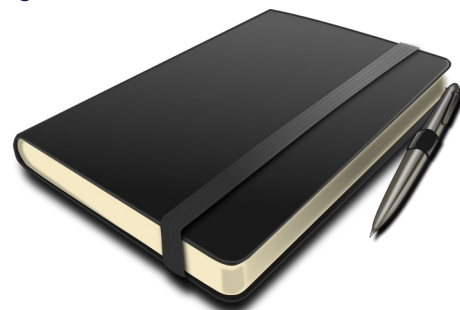
Academy Sports Day

Tuesday 21st July 2026

Year Group Trips

Wednesday 22nd July 2026

Academy closes at 1.50pm for Summer Holiday



Teaching Behaviours

End of Half Term Celebration

As we come to the end of yet another busy and successful half term, we would like to take a moment to celebrate the fantastic efforts of our students and staff.

A Half Term Full of Achievement

This half term has been packed with learning, enrichment activities, and personal growth. We have seen students demonstrate outstanding commitment in lessons, positive attitudes around the school, and excellent contributions to our wider community. We have selected our Sixth Form leadership team for Y12 as they take over from their Y13 counterparts. And we have seen a positive start to the Y11 and Y13 exams.



Celebrating “Club Zero”

A special mention goes to our Club Zero students—those who have achieved zero negative behaviour logs and zero days off this half term. This is an exceptional accomplishment, and we are delighted to share that over 500 students have met this high standard. Your consistency, positivity, and dedication set a wonderful example for others.



Being part of Club Zero is not just about meeting expectations—it reflects self-discipline, respect, and a commitment to making the most of every school day. Congratulations to each and every one of you as you enjoyed our non-uniform day!

Standing Together Against Bullying

This week, our assemblies have focused on an important theme: anti-bullying and being an “upstander.” We have encouraged students to understand the difference between being a bystander (someone who sees bullying but does nothing) and an upstander (someone who takes positive action to support others).

Advice for Students:

- Speak up if you see bullying—report it to a trusted adult, form tutors see you daily
- Support others with kindness and inclusion, encourage the sense of community
- Do not join in or encourage negative behaviour, even indirectly, be kind in the corridors
- Be proud to do the right thing, even when it feels difficult. The right decision may not be the popular one

Advice for Parents/Carers:

- Encourage open conversations with your child about friendships and online behaviour.
- Remind them that reporting concerns is a strength, not a weakness.
- Look out for changes in behaviour that may indicate they need support.
- Work with the school—we are here to help and take all concerns seriously.

Together, we can create a safe, respectful, and inclusive environment where every student feels valued.

Moving to Arbor and away from Go For Schools:

As a school we continue to migrate towards our new report system called Arbor. Our teachers are using Arbor for attendance, registers and behaviour reporting. We are no longer using Go For Schools for this communication. We will keep parents and carers informed about how/when to log on, how to access the online account and then how to access the app for Arbor.

We wish all our families a restful and enjoyable break. Thank you, as always, for your continued support.

We look forward to welcoming students back next half term, ready for another successful half term, the final one of this year!



Attendance Matters

100%

Each week we are giving a shout out to the tutor groups with the highest attendance for Years 7 to 11. This is something that needs to be celebrated, as attendance really does matter!

If you see your child's year group mentioned, give them a big high five for their contribution towards this fantastic achievement.

Year 7
7M2

Year 9
9D1

Year 8
8A2

Year 10
10M1



Year 11
11A1

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
- Attendance line: 01621 787855

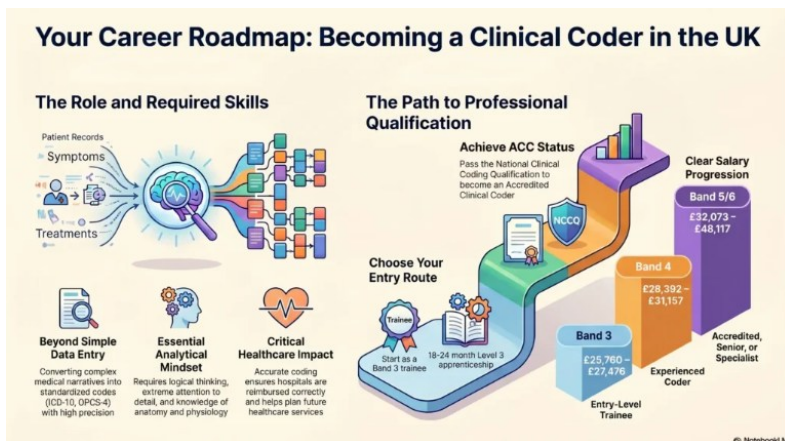
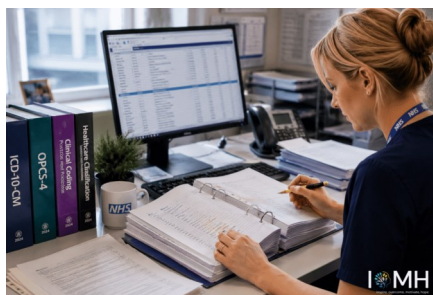


CAREERS
WORK
JOB

Careers Spotlight

Career of the week

CLINICAL CODER



<https://www.unitasterdays.com/event-incentives/>

Use the UniTasterDays “university event discounts and rewards” tool to see if there are any travel incentives to help you when booking in university open days. Examples include Arts University Plymouth offering travel expenses of up to £80 for eligible students attending their undergraduate open days and campus tours or De Montfort University offering a £5 voucher for Uber or Uber Eats for those booked to attend their open days.

Webinar: A guide to university for parents/carers

This informative webinar from UEA introduces key stages of the application process, from choosing courses and understanding deadlines to making the most of open days. With practical advice and a live Q&A, it’s a great opportunity to build confidence and help families to support their young person.

Tuesday 16 June - [Register now: Parent and carer webinar](#)

For Students in Yr 10, 11, 12 and 13

Lloyds Banking Group - May Half Term Virtual Work Experience
Friday 29th May - 1pm - 3:45pm

Join us for the Lloyds Banking Group Virtual May Half Term Work Experience for a fast-paced afternoon of challenges, real-world scenarios and networking with professionals from across the industry. Lloyds Banking Group are one of the largest banks in the UK and offers so many fantastic opportunities to students across the UK. This hands-on experience is designed to help you build the skills employers are looking for within the industry. Sign up here on the link: [Lloyds Banking Group May Half-Term Virtual Event\(Via YouTube\) Survey](#)

Careers Adviser - Fliiss Compton

Fliiss is available for Careers Meetings on Wednesdays - if you would like your child to have a careers meeting please email on fcompton@ormistonriversacademy.co.uk



WORD OF THE WEEK

One of the literacy challenges we run weekly is "Word of the Week" where students are invited to use the word in a sentence and submit it in order to receive merit points. The WOTW for next week is **"Corruption"**.

Why not have a go? Send the definition and the word in a sentence to

wotw@ormistonriversacademy.co.uk.

Say it: kuh·ruh·p·shn **Spell it:** Cor-rup-tion

Corruption
(noun) **Stem:** rupt:- break / burst

Understand it
Dishonest behaviour; the act or result of turning someone else to dishonesty.

(Prefix) cor - together, with
(Stem) rupt - break, burst
(Suffix) tion - act, process, result

Exams News



We are very proud of the positive, mature attitude that has been shown by all students inside the exam rooms over last few weeks. Hopefully their preparation and hard work will show in their results in August. Thank you to families for ensuring that students have been punctual every morning, this allows a smooth and calm start to exams.

We hope that everyone has a little bit of time to relax, around their revision, over the half-term and look forward to an equally good second half to the Summer exam season.

Please could students remember to keep their school email passwords up to date so they can access any communications about results.

Year 12 mocks are scheduled for the 16th to the 24th June, timed to avoid any diary conflict with real unit exams, the D of E expedition and Work Experience. We hope to have individual timetables with students within about a week of our return from Half Term.



HOBBY CLUB

Don't forget that Hobby Club is open to all students in years 7, 8 and 9 on Fridays in D05. We have some things for you to do, but please feel free to make suggestions or bring in your own hobby to share with the group.



Science = mc² NEWS



INVASIVE SPECIES CHALLENGE!

Your ideas. Your impact. Our waterways.



COULD YOU HELP PROTECT OUR CANALS?

Invasive species are taking over our waterways – damaging wildlife, water quality and the ecosystem. It's time for your ideas to make a difference!

YOUR MISSION:

Design a practical and creative solution to help manage **invasive species!**

CHOOSE YOUR ROUTE:



1. BUILD SOMETHING

Invent a tool, gadget, or digital system to **detect, map, or safely remove** invasive species.



2. CHANGE BEHAVIOUR

Design an **awareness campaign** – posters, videos, social media, or a whole-school strategy.



3. ORGANISE ACTION

Create a plan for schools and communities to work together to **monitor or manage** the issue.

AMAZING PRIZES!



1st Place:
STEM-related class trip up to **£800**



2nd Place:
£250 STEM resources voucher



3rd Place:
£100 STEM resources voucher



PLUS: All participating students receive a **digital participation certificate.**

Prizes will be awarded to the supervising school or group.

OPEN TO STUDENTS FROM YEAR 7 TO 13

FLOATING PENNYWORT



WATER FERN



JAPANESE KNOTWEED



HIMALAYAN BALSAM



For more information:
Contact Mr Williams via email or visit S04
kwilliams@ormistonriversacademy.co.uk



DEADLINE FOR ENTRIES:
JUNE 12, 2026

Year 7 - Mr Adair

I would like to begin this week's newsletter by extending a heartfelt thank you to all Year 7 parents and carers for your continued hard work and support. Your encouragement plays a vital role in helping our students thrive, and it does not go unnoticed. This week, we have had a wonderful opportunity to reflect on and celebrate some truly incredible moments from our Year 7 cohort.

At Ormiston Rivers Academy this week, we were proud to host an inter-school track meet, where our Year 7 students represented the school with immense pride, determination, and sportsmanship. It was fantastic to see their hard work and enthusiasm on display. I would like to make special mention of a few students who demonstrated exceptional heart and excellence. Firstly, Beau in 7M1 delivered an outstanding performance in the 200m, accelerating past competitors from other schools to secure victory in remarkable style. It was a truly impressive display of athletic ability and confidence. Secondly, our Year 7 girls' relay team deserve huge recognition. Competing against older students, they showcased some of the smoothest baton handovers Mr Moon has seen this year—an achievement that reflects both skill and teamwork. Finally, I would like to celebrate Reggie in 7D1, who competed in the challenging 1500m race against students from Years 7 through to 10. Demonstrating incredible determination and resilience, Reggie powered through to an outstanding 4th place finish against much older competitors—an achievement to be extremely proud of.

I was also fortunate enough to attend a very special event on Wednesday evening, having been invited by one of our Year 7 parents. I travelled to Chelmsford Civic Theatre to watch a superb performance of *The Carpenters Story*. Within this professional production, five of our Year 7 students shone brightly as part of the choir, lighting up the stage with their talent and confidence. It was a genuinely proud moment to witness their performance. Congratulations to Nancy (7A2), Eloise (7A2), Edith (7A2), Catalina (7A2), and Annabella (7M1) for representing themselves and the school so beautifully. Moments like these remind us of the breadth of talent within our year group. Please do continue to inform us of any events, performances, or achievements your child is involved in, as we are always keen to celebrate their successes both inside and outside of school.



To conclude this week's newsletter, I would like to share a message from Mr Higgins, who is offering an exciting opportunity for students to get involved in.

"This week, we celebrated National Numeracy Day, taking time to reflect on how maths makes us feel, how it supports learning across different subjects, and how numbers feature in our daily lives at home, in our communities, and in our extracurricular activities. As part of this, there is a colouring competition available via Go4Schools, with a fantastic prize of £50 in vouchers. Students are encouraged to express how they see numbers through both words and pictures, and we hope to see many of our Year 7 students taking part."

With such a positive and inspiring week behind us, we look forward to continuing to celebrate the achievements of our students—and hopefully soon, another Year 7 winner of this exciting competition. Thank you once again for your continued support.

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Year 8 - Mr Moon

Year 8 have finished the final week of the summer half term on a really positive note, with plenty to celebrate across the year group. In assembly this week, we focused on the important topic of anti-bullying, reinforcing our expectations around kindness, respect and standing up for one another. Students engaged thoughtfully with the message, and it was encouraging to see such maturity in their reflections on how they can contribute to a safe and supportive environment for all.

We were also delighted to celebrate our Attendance Race reward, recognising the continued efforts of the year group to attend regularly and punctually. Students enjoyed a slightly earlier break as a reward, and it was fantastic to acknowledge those who have achieved 100% attendance this term. Their commitment really sets the standard and highlights the importance of being in school every day to maximise progress and opportunities.

It has also been an exciting week for PE, with our first athletics meet of the season against William de Ferrers. The students represented the school brilliantly, showing great determination and sportsmanship throughout. There were some outstanding individual performances, with Fraser impressively winning his 200m race, and Monet delivering an exceptional performance in the 300m, not only beating all of the Year 8 girls but also outperforming the Year 9 competitors from both schools. We are extremely proud of their achievements and the way all students conducted themselves.

In lessons this week, there has been a strong focus on assessments in both Maths and English. Students have been working incredibly hard in preparation for these, and we hope they feel confident in the effort they have put in. We encourage you to speak with your child about how they feel the assessments went and to celebrate the hard work they have shown.

As always, we are pleased to recognise our top merit earners this week. In first place is Lilly (8A2) with an impressive 24 merits, followed by Lexi (8A2) with 23 merits, and Envy (8A2) with 21 merits. A fantastic achievement by all three students, reflecting their consistent effort and positive attitude.

Thank you for your continued support this half term. We hope you all have a restful and enjoyable break, and we look forward to welcoming Year 8 back for the final half term of the academic year, refreshed and ready to finish the year strongly.

Many thanks,
The Year 8 Team

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Year 9 – Mr Chapman

I hope everyone has had an enjoyable half term break.

Following our transition from Go4Schools to Arbor for recording merits, our merit leader boards will resume after half term. Please keep an eye out for updates as we continue to recognise students' achievements.

For those awaiting options confirmation, there has been a slight delay. This is to allow us to finalise staffing arrangements so that we can offer the full range of courses wherever possible. Thank you very much for your patience; and confirmations will be shared in the second week back.

With the warmer weather continuing into this half term, I encourage students to stay well and make the most of the sunshine responsibly.

Wishing everyone a pleasant and restful half term.

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Year 9 English End of Year Assessment

In the first week back after half-term, all of Year 9 will be sitting an unseen reading assessment to determine their working level in English. This, combined with their in class assessments and OAT writing assessment in February, will be used to determine their sets into Y10 when English will no longer be taught in mixed ability. Therefore, please encourage your child to try their hardest in the lessons in order to placed into the appropriate GCSE set for them.

Thank you for your support

Ms Smith
Head of English



Year 10 - Mr Field

As we approach the end of Year 10, we would like all students to take a moment to reflect on their attendance this year. Every day in school truly matters, evidence shows that strong attendance is one of the biggest factors in achieving success at GCSE.

Looking ahead to September, we're excited to be launching our Prom Invitation Incentive. This is a fantastic opportunity for students to work towards and be rewarded for their commitment and attendance. We want every student to have the very best chance of securing their place at this special end-of-year celebration.

Further details will be shared with students and parents after the half term break, please so watch this space!

Let's finish Year 10 strong and set the foundations for a successful Year 11!

Have restful half term and see you in June

Mr Field

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ATTENDANCE
to 22nd May

Every day in school counts.
Every lesson shapes your future.

ATTENDANCE	NUMBER OF MISSED DAYS	NUMBER OF MISSED LESSONS
92% EXCELLENT ATTENDANCE ☆	7.5 DAYS	37.5 LESSONS
90% VERY GOOD ATTENDANCE 😊	11.5 DAYS	57.5 LESSONS
85% GOOD ATTENDANCE 👍	14.5 DAYS	72.5 LESSONS
75% CAUSE FOR CONCERN ⚠️	29.5 DAYS	147.5 LESSONS
65% SERIOUS IMPACT ⚠️	44.5 DAYS	222.5 LESSONS

ATTEND TODAY, **ACHIEVE TOMORROW!**

MORE ATTENDANCE = MORE LEARNING
MORE LEARNING = MORE SUCCESS ☆

♥ BE HERE. BE READY. BE YOUR BEST.

EARN YOUR PROM PLACE

YOUR FUTURE. YOUR CHOICE. YOUR PROM. ☆

95% ATTENDANCE ← BE IN IT TO WIN IT

ATTENDANCE TO ALL LESSONS ← EVERY LESSON COUNTS

GOOD BEHAVIOUR ← GOOD CHOICES. BIG OPPORTUNITIES.

SECURE YOUR PLACE

DON'T MISS OUT. MAKE IT YOUR NIGHT.

BE PRESENT Show up. Stand out. | BE RESPECTFUL Treat others right. Earn respect. | BE RESPONSIBLE Own your actions. Shape your future.

EARN IT. OWN IT. CELEBRATE IT.



Year 11 – Ms Taylor

A massive congratulations to Year 11 who are now halfway through the exam series. Invigilators and exam colleagues have been very complimentary about their conduct, and I commend them for this.

On the first week back, there are the following exams:

Tuesday 2 June - Physics Paper 1 - 9am

Wednesday 3 June - Maths Paper 2 - 9am

Wednesday 3 June - Health & Social Care - 1pm

Wednesday 3 June - Geography Paper 2 - 1pm

Thursday 4 June - History Paper 2 - 9am

Thursday 4 June - French Paper 4 - 1pm

Friday 5 June - English Language Paper 2 - 9am.

Wishing you all a happy, sunny and restful half term.

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RIVERS SIXTH FORM

Year 12 & 13 - Mrs Wilkins

It has been another incredibly busy and exciting week in Rivers Sixth Form, particularly for our Year 13 students as they begin to prepare for the end of their Sixth Form journey. This week, our Year 13s took over the Sixth Form social media accounts, giving a fantastic insight into a "day in the life" of a Sixth Former, sharing their fondest memories, future aspirations and plans for life after Sixth Form. Meanwhile, our Year 12 students officially began the UCAS process and will continue this important next step after half term within their new career-focused tutor groups. We have also been incredibly impressed with the initiative shown by Year 12 students, who collected donated sofas to help create a more comfortable and welcoming Sixth Form space. If any families have cushions or throws they would be willing to donate, we would be extremely grateful. On Wednesday, our newly appointed Sixth Form Leadership Team had their official photographs taken, and we have already been inspired by the enthusiasm and proactive ideas they are bringing to their new roles. Finally, the Sixth Form students would like to wish Mrs Sexton all the very best as she leaves us today and thank her for her support, care and guidance over the past seven years.

Sixth Form in the Community

We are also pleased to see many of our Year 12 students beginning to pass their driving tests and gain greater independence. A reminder that any students wishing to drive to Sixth Form and use the student car park must first speak to Mrs Penberthy to complete and sign the Sixth Form car park agreement form before bringing their vehicle onto site.

Year 13 Leavers Information

Today we celebrated with our Year 13 students during their final Sixth Form assembly. It was wonderful to see the cohort come together one last time to reflect on and reminisce about their time at Rivers Sixth Form. Students enjoyed a celebratory buffet and spent time chatting with friends and staff, sharing memories and looking ahead to their exciting next steps.

As part of the celebration, students also wrote personal messages to members of staff who had made a positive difference during their Sixth Form journey. These messages were shared today, and it was incredibly heart-warming to see just how many teachers, support staff, fellow students and catering staff have had such a meaningful impact on our young people during their time with us.

What's Coming Up

- Year 12 Work Experience - W/C 29th June 2026 - Upload to Unifrog
- Charlie Dix leading sessions on Finance and Future Careers
- House competitions
- Summer Ball 3rd July 2026 - letters coming out next week

Bring Your Own Device (BYOD)

Rivers Sixth Form operates a Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) policy. The laptop trolley has been removed from the Sixth Form area, meaning students will need to bring their own devices into Sixth Form sooner than planned. If any students do not currently have access to a laptop or suitable device, please speak to a member of the Sixth Form team so that appropriate support can be arranged. Alternatively there are 10 laptops available in the LRC for Sixth Form students to rent for the day.



RIVERS SIXTH FORM

Exam Behaviour & JCQ Regulations

As we approach the exam season, it's important to remember the expectations for behaviour during all exams. To ensure a smooth and fair exam experience, students must adhere to the JCQ (Joint Council for Qualifications) regulations, which are in place to maintain integrity and fairness for all candidates.

Key points to remember:

- Arrive on time: Make sure you arrive at least 15 minutes before the exam starts. Late arrivals can lead to complications, and in some cases, may not be allowed to sit the exam.
- Clear water bottle: Only clear, unlabelled bottles are permitted in the exam room. No labels or logos are allowed on the bottle, and the bottle should be free from any writing or stickers.
- Prohibited items: Phones, smartwatches, or any electronic devices must be turned off and left in your bag, which should be placed at the back of the exam room. Only pens, pencils, and necessary equipment should be on your desk.
- Respect and Focus: It is essential to maintain a calm, respectful environment for everyone in the exam hall. Please follow the instructions given by the invigilators, remain focused, and take the time to carefully read all instructions. Following these regulations is vital for a smooth exam experience and for your success in the upcoming assessments. Let's all do our part to ensure that everything runs smoothly!

Sixth Form Dress Code

As the weather begins to get warmer, we would like to remind all Sixth Form students to continue to adhere to the Sixth Form dress code. Thank you for maintaining the high standards expected within our Sixth Form community. If you are ever unsure about what is appropriate, don't hesitate to check with the Sixth Form team.

Please note: Following a first warning, students who do not meet the dress code expectations will be asked to return home to change before re-joining lessons. Thank you for your cooperation and continued high standards.

Exams/Study

Mrs Penberthy will continue to host an optional revision session in the Sixth Form area titled "Pemboodle's Revision". She provides snacks and light background music to create a warm and inviting environment. This session will run every Wednesday 3:20 - 4:20pm.

The Rivers Sixth Form Team

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Absent reporting to Mrs Penberthy: 01621 787882



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**BURNHAM ON CROUCH CARNIVAL
2026 COURT SELECTION EVENING
FRIDAY 12TH JUNE @ 7PM**



Always the last Saturday in September

COULD YOU BE OUR 2026 CARNIVAL QUEEN, KING, PRINCESS OR PRINCE?

Kings Hall, Chapel Road, Burnham on Crouch (Back of Con Club)

This is a fantastic chance to represent our town at a variety of carnivals and other events across the county. It's a brilliant opportunity to build your confidence and people skills. You'll meet a host of people, have some great times and make lots of friends and many happy memories.



We are looking for 1 Queen/King and 2 Attendants (Princess/Prince)

Entrance Requirements

- All entrants must live in the Dengie area.
- **Queen / King must be aged between 13 and under 25 and Princess / Prince must be aged 8 to 12 by September 2026**
- You must be available for the following dates: Court Crowning on Saturday 5th Sept / Burnham on Crouch Carnival on Saturday 26th Sept and Burnham Festive Fayre on Saturday on 5th Dec.
- In addition, you will be required to commit to attending up to 7 other carnivals/events per year.

For more information email burnhamcarnivalsecretary@gmail.com

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2026 COURT SELECTION EVENING**



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COULD YOU BE OUR 2026 CARNIVAL QUEEN, KING, PRINCESS OR PRINCE?

**Come along to Kings Hall, Chapel Road, Burnham on Crouch
(Back of Con Club)
FRIDAY 12TH JUNE @ 7:00PM**

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ENTRY FORM

Name: _____ Age/Dob: _____

Address: _____

Parent / Guardian Name: _____

Parent / Guardian Contact Number: _____

Signature: _____
(Parent / Guardian if under 18)

Entrance Requirements

- All entrants must live in the Dengie area.
- **Queen / King must be aged between 13 and under 25 and Princess / Prince must be aged 8 to 12 by September 2026**
- Successful entrants must be available for the following dates: Court Crowning on Saturday 5th Sept / Burnham on Crouch Carnival on Saturday 26th Sept and Burnham Festive Fayre on Saturday on 5th Dec.
- In addition, you will be required to attend up to 7 other carnivals/events per year.

Please complete and return this form and bring it with you on the evening

For any further information or queries please email burnhamcarnivalsecretary@gmail.com



Catering



Menu

We have pleasure of enclosing a link to next weeks [menu](#). Please note that items are subject to change at short notice due to availability of produce from our suppliers. We welcome feedback on our catering offer; so please email our catering manager, Leanne Warner at lwarner@ormistonriversacademy.co.uk with any comments / suggestions.

Nut Allergies

Any form of nut or products that contain nuts should not be brought into school. We do have students with severe nut allergies, which can be life threatening, and we would appreciate your support in keeping them safe.

Parentpay

The daily limit for students to spend is set at £4.50 as a default. This means, should a student select items at break and / or lunch which take them over the limit, they will be asked to put something back. If you would like to change the limit on your child's account please email our catering manager lwarner@ormistonriversacademy.co.uk. Please note: it can take a while before the cashless system updates once you have added funds to your child's catering account. Please be mindful of this and try and get the money on there in plenty of time for break / lunch. When adding funds please ensure you add it to Dinner money and make sure it's not just sitting in your parent account.

Free School Meals

The daily limit for free school meals is £3.30. Funds will need to be added to your child's Parentpay account should you wish them to be allowed to exceed the limit.

Catering Cards

Students must tap their catering card each time they wish to make a purchase, even if they are entitled to free school meals. Please remind them that they need to bring their catering card in every day. Those students without their card will be held back until the end of the queue, allowing those through with cards first. The cards really speed up the catering service, giving students more time to socialise with friends and eat their food. If a card is lost or damaged, a new one can be purchased for £1 on ParentPay. The new card will be delivered to tutors the following morning.

If you have any questions regarding any of the above please contact either Leanne Warner, Catering Manager lwarner@ormistonriversacademy.co.uk or Angela Mahoney, Finance & Business Director amahoney@ormistonriversacademy.co.uk.



Rivers Academy Shop

Academy Shop

All students are required to have sufficient equipment to allow them to learn and achieve their full potential. It is a students' responsibility to arrive at the Academy with the appropriate equipment for lessons:

Equipment:

- | | |
|---|---|
| 2 x black pens | Maths set (including a scientific calculator) |
| 1 x purple biro for assessment feedback | Student Planner (student organiser) |
| 2 x pencils | Reading book |
| 1 x 30cm ruler | Books / folders for the days lessons |
| Coloured pencils (not felt tips) | Water bottle |
| Eraser | Basic art equipment |
| Pencil sharpener | |

The Academy Shop, located near the main hall, is open before school 8.30 - 8.50am and at breaktime 11.20 - 11.50am every day. The shop stocks all of the above equipment, as well as a wide selection of revision guides & workbooks, for all year groups. You can also purchase new ties from here. We can only accept cash for shop purchases on site, we are unable to use credit on a students catering card. Alternatively, you can complete an order form and return it to finance@ormistonriversacademy.co.uk.

Year 10 & 11 -You will find an item on ParentPay - KS4 Revision Guides & Equipment- just overwrite the amount with the total to be paid, we will check it against your order and let you know when the items can be collected from the shop (or you can call in and collect from main reception if you would prefer).

Year 7, 8 & 9 (KS3) - Once we have received your completed order, we will add it to your ParentPay account. When payment has been confirmed we will let you know when the items can be collected from the shop (or you can call in and collect from main reception if you would prefer).

You can access the up to date [KS3 order form](#) and the [KS4 order form](#) here; these are also available on our website www.ormistonriversacademy.co.uk. Please contact finance on 01621 787845 if you have any queries.



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

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.

Lost Property

We have several items in lost property, mainly coats, PE kits, blazers and drinking bottles. Any student can check in Student Reception for lost items. Please note that items not collected before the end of each half-term may be donated to charity or disposed of accordingly, therefore, please remind your children to check for anything they have misplaced before this time. Thank you.



Essex County Council

Helping parents to understand the changes to fines for term time holidays

With the introduction of the new National Framework for Penalty Notices, the following changes will come into force for Penalty Notice Fines issued for unauthorised holidays recorded by schools after 19th August 2024.

Who may be fined?

Penalty Notice Fines are issued to each parent who allows their child to be absent from school.

For example: 3 siblings absent for term time leave, would result in each parent who allowed the holiday receiving 3 separate fines.

First Offence

The first time a Penalty Notice is issued for an unauthorised term time holiday the fine amount will be:

£80 per parent, per child if paid within 21 days.

Increasing to £160 if paid between days 22-28.

National Threshold

There will be a single consistent national threshold for when a penalty notice must be considered by all schools in England of 10 sessions (usually equivalent to 5 school days) of unauthorised absence within a rolling 10 school week period.

These sessions do not have to be consecutive and can be made up of a combination of any type of unauthorised absence, including the U code (late after registers have closed).

For example: a 5 day holiday would meet the national threshold.

The 10-school week period can span different terms or school years.

Second Offence

(within 3 years)

The Second time a Penalty Notice is issued for unauthorised absence the amount will be:

£160 per parent (who allowed the holiday), per child, payable within 28 days.

Third Offence and Any Further Offences (within 3 years)

The third time an offence is committed a Penalty Notice will not be issued and local authorities will need to consider other available measures to address the absence concerns. This may mean that cases are presented before a Magistrate's Court.

Prosecution can result in criminal records and fines of up to £2,500.

Cases found guilty in the Magistrates' Court can show on the parent's future DBS certificate due to 'failure to safeguard a child's education'.



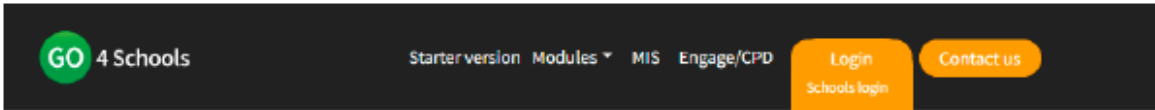
Parent / Carer Login

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



Ormiston RIVERS Academy

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



Welcome to GO 4 Schools

Your school can make better decisions with information that is accurate, up to date, complete,

- 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



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

GO Sign in with GO First-time user? Forgotten Password?

If you have forgotten your password, you can reset it by entering your email address.

Email address

Send password reset link

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.



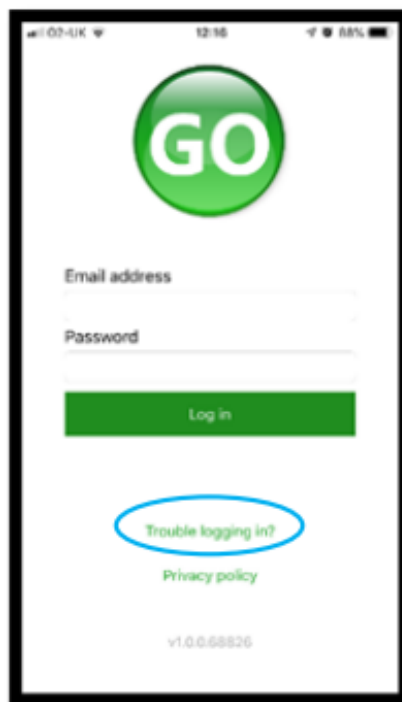
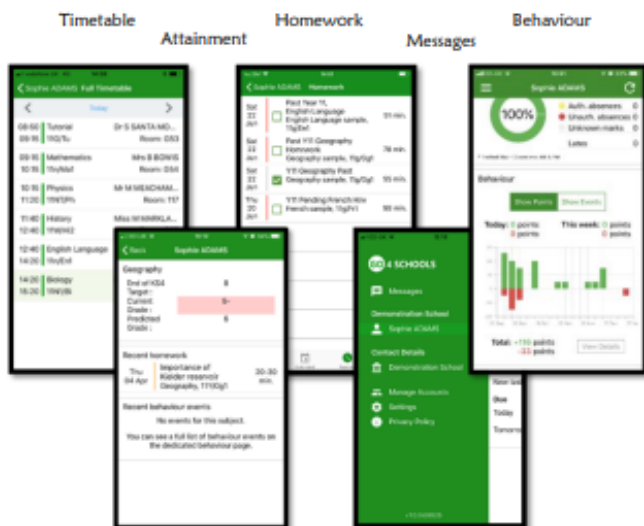
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2 – Type in your school email address.

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.