

Where the journey begins

# Parent Weekly Communication Letter – Friday 19th April 2024.

#### **Academy News**

#### Mrs Rogers

Herman is a very close community of people, and Mrs Rogers is a much-loved and respected member of staff. We have all been deeply affected by the terrible news this week. I have been in daily communication with her, and she knows that we are all thinking of her. We have been overwhelmed with lovely messages from parents and carers, wanting to send their condolences and I have passed these on to her. Several people have asked if they could make a donation for flowers. Please do not feel obliged, but if you would like to contribute, we have created a collection point at the office.

# **Diary Dates**

Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2024: Earth Day.

Wednesday 24th April 2024: Y2 Kenyan Art Workshop.

Thursday 25th April 2024: Mental Health Support Team Parent Drop In.

Friday 26th April 2024: Voyagers Swimming.

Monday 29th April 2024: Y5 Time and Tide Museum.

Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> May: Venturers Swimming. Monday 13<sup>th</sup> - 16<sup>th</sup> May 2024: Y6 SATS.

Thursday 16th May 2024: YR Time and Tide Museum.

Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> May 2024: Disco.

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May 2024: Academy closes for May Half Term. Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2024: Academy reopens for Summer Term 2.

### **Safeguarding**

Every member of teaching and non-teaching staff has up to date Safeguarding Training. Six members of staff have enhanced training to deal with any concerns that are raised.

The Designated Safeguarding Officers at Ormiston Herman Academy are:

Kristy Redhead - Principal and Lead DSL

Mark Thorpe - Vice Principal and DSL

Veronica Longman – Assistant Principal and DSL

Catriona Smith – Assistant Principal and DSL

Paula Milham - Family Liaison Officer and DSL

Janet Upton - Special Educational Needs and Disability Coordinator and DSL

If you have concerns about the wellbeing of a child, you should call the Norfolk CADS number (0344 800 8020) to report what your concerns are.

## Weekly Winners

Each week, teachers select a pupil who has particularly impressed them with their attitude to learning, behaviour, effort etc. This week's stars are:

Adventurers: The whole class!Explorers: The whole class!

Searchers: HarrySeekers: Roman

Pioneers: Amazing-Grace

Investigators: Leo
Wayfarers: Shyla
Navigators: Tommy
Creators: Oliver
Pathfinders: Daisy
Voyagers: Andrew
Venturers: Sophia
Crusaders: Jamelia
Discoverers: Aadhidev

This week's Best Dressed class is Seekers class.

This week's winning marble colour is the YELLOW team.

#### Attendance

The Summer Term Attendance Prize will be a family ticket to a local attraction, such as Banham Zoo, Africa Alive, Pleasurewood Hills, The Pleasure Beach, or Pettit's. We will contact you if your child wins to determine where you would like us to book the tickets.

There will be a prize for EYFS / KS1 and a prize for KS2. Winners will be drawn at the end of the Summer Term. All children whose attendance is 98% or above will have the chance to win.

The winning classes for the collective highest attendance this week are:

Early Years and Key Stage 1: Searchers Key Stage 2: Wayfarers and Voyagers

A big well done to both classes!

We are always striving to improve our attendance figures. Children who are in school are safe and accessing education to help them thrive. They are socialising with peers and learning how to be positive members of their community.

Our year-to-date attendance target is 96%, the whole school's attendance is 94.6% this week. Wherever possible, please ensure your child is attending every day to avoid missing valuable learning opportunities.