

Where the journey begins

Parent Weekly Communication Letter - Friday 26th April 2024.

Academy News

Mrs Rogers

Thank you to everyone who has added to the collection for Mrs Rogers. Mrs Rogers has asked that in lieu of flowers, any money raised will be donated to the charity of her choice in memory of her husband. Please take time to read the letter that will be sent out by email today about a slightly earlier closure on the day of the funeral.

Kenyan Art Workshop

On Wednesday, James the Artist visited our Year 2 classes for a Kenyan Art Workshop. Year 2 made some beautiful hanging wall art and enjoyed learning about Kenyan culture as part of this half term's topic. They really enjoyed their day.

Boys Football Match V. St Marys

On Wednesday, the Boys' Football Team visited St Marys for a Football Match. The team played a good game but missed out on a win this time. Excellent effort boys!

Best Dressed Class

Children at Herman almost always look very smart, and this is often commented on by visitors to the academy. It is getting harder each week to choose a best dressed class so well done everyone!

Academy Timings

Please can I reiterate the timings for the beginning of the school day. Unless your child is at Breakfast Club, no children or adults should be on the premises before 8.30am. Unfortunately, due to the layout of the Academy, children must cross the car park to access the playground. Whilst staff are driving into the carpark, to begin their working day, this is simply not safe. Please can I remind parents again that children and adults must wait until half past eight to access the premises. Thank you for your support with this.

Diary Dates

Monday 29th April: Y5 Time and Tide Museum.

Tuesday 30th April: Ormiston Venture Academy staff to see Year 6 pupils.

Wednesday 1st May: Selected Y3/Y4 pupils to OVA for Tennis.

Friday 3rd May: Venturers Swimming. Monday 6th May: Bank Holiday.

Tuesday 7th May: Ormiston Cliff Park Academy staff to see Year 6 pupils.

Tuesday 7th May: Girls Football Semi Final at Ormiston Cliff Park Primary Academy.

Wednesday 8th May: Y3 Art Workshop at East Norfolk Sixth Form College. Thursday 9th May: Y4/Y5 Art Workshop at East Norfolk Sixth Form College.

Monday 13th to 16th May: Y6 SATS.

Thursday 16th May: YR Time and Tide Museum. Thursday 16th May: Academy closes at 2.45pm.

Thursday 16th May: Disco. POSTPONED – new date to be confirmed.

Wednesday 22nd May: Y1 Merrivale Model Village. Friday 24th May: Academy closes for May Half Term.

Monday 3rd June: 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: Kassius
Explorers: William
Searchers: Harrison
Seekers: Imogen
Pioneers: Theo

Investigators: Breydon
Wayfarers: Logan
Navigators: Zirwa
Creators: Dani
Pathfinders: Bobbi
Voyagers: Elise
Venturers: Vasudev
Crusaders: Emily

• Discoverers: Lucy

This week's Principal Award goes to Oliver (Y3), Sofia (Y4), Parker (Y6).

This week's Best Dressed class is Searchers 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 Pettits. 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: Seekers

Key Stage 2: Navigators

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 92.68% this week. Wherever possible, please ensure your child is attending every day to avoid missing valuable learning opportunities.