

**Volume 4.**

**27th June 2025**

Dear Parents / Carers,

**Welcome to *Cliff Park Connect* – your weekly window into life at Cliff Park Ormiston Academy.**

****We want to extend our sincere thanks to all parents and carers for your unwavering support. Whether it’s encouraging your child each morning, attending meetings, supporting behaviour expectations, or working in partnership with us when challenges arise - your involvement makes a real difference.

**Pupil Success**

**Top of the points**, Layla, Jacob and Jaimee have had an amazing week and earnt the top of the points certificate for this last week. Well done to you!

**Schools Athletics Championships**

Congratulations to Corben Pollard who was selected to represent Norfolk in the Anglian Schools athletics championships last weekend in 100m, 200m and mixed relay.

He won 3 gold medals in the events, and managed to beat the Norfolk county record time for U15 boys 100m with 11.2 seconds!

Corben is currently ranked 5th and 6th in the UK U15 boys in the 100m and 200m.

Following on from this, he has been selected to compete in the English Schools athletics championships on 11th/12th July in Birmingham.



**Nest Stop World Athletics Chamionships in Sweden**

 Thomas competed at the English Karate Club Championships in Clacton on Sunday. His last competition before the world championships in Sweden next month.
Thomas came away with a gold & a silver in his kata categories, a gold cup in individual kumite champions cup category and a silver in another individual kumite category .

Well done Thomas! Your hard work and dedication is paying off. We hear you’ve been training 6 days a week for this.

We wish both Corben and Thomas lucc with their forthcoming competions and look forward to hearing how they got on.

**Year 6 Transition Information**

We look forward to welcoming our new Year7 students to their Transition day next week:

* **Transition Days for Students**:
 **Monday 30th June and Tuesday 1st July**
 Your child will spend these two days with us, getting to know the school, their teachers, and fellow classmates.
* **Parent Information Evening**:
 **Monday 30th June at 6:00pm**

An opportunity for parents/carers to meet key staff, learn more about our routines, expectations, and how we will support your child’s journey at Cliff Park.

**Careers and futures**

This week we have had some key focus on Year 10's and looking to the future.

On Wednesday we took the students to East Coast College to engage in some workshops on different vocational areas.

Thursday and Friday we have had guest speakers to deliver workshops on CV writing, University, Apprenticeships, Pathways to work and mock interviews.

Thank you to all of external visitors who have made this possible and productive for our students.

Check out our Facebook and Instagram for pictures.

**Norfolk Show**

This week we have also seen students out on trips to the Royal Norfolk Showground. We had a group of performers there on Wednesday supported by Mrs Johson.  Well done all.

**Notice to all parents:**

With our increased presence on social media, we are reviewing our photograph permissions for all students. Please let the office know if you do not want your child to appear in any photographs or videos that we may share in this newsletter or online.Thank you

**Hot Weather**

As the weather warms up, we want to ensure all our students stay safe, comfortable, and ready to learn throughout the day.

Please remind your child to bring a refillable water bottle to school each day so they can stay hydrated. We also recommend that students apply sun cream before coming to school and bring a hat to wear during break and lunch times if they are outside.

Where possible, we will provide shaded areas during outdoor activities and encourage students to stay cool.

Thank you for your support in helping us keep everyone safe and well during the summer term.

**Summer Uniform Changes**

Thank You for Supporting Our PE Summer Uniform

We would like to extend a sincere thank you to all parents and carers for your support in ensuring students are wearing their PE kit as part of our summer uniform. Your cooperation has helped us maintain high standards while allowing students to stay comfortable during the warmer weather.

**We truly value your continued partnership and support.**

**PE Uniform Reminder:**

Students should wear a white polo shirt or T shirt, a plain blue or black jumper (without large logos) and either plain blue or black shorts or skort (No cycling shorts). Students are not allowed to wear leggings or jogging bottoms. No other clothing will be permitted.

 **Parent Forum**

We look forward to welcoming you to the next forum on **Thursday 23rd October**.

Please see below the video recording of our last forum which focused on our Ofsted report.

📺 [Click to watch the Parent Forum on YouTube](https://youtu.be/v1ligOIidKM)

**Stay Connected – Follow Us on Facebook and Instagram**

Want to stay up to date with the latest news, events, and celebrations from Cliff Park Ormiston Academy? Make sure you’re following us on social media!

Our **Facebook** and **Instagram** pages are the best way to get a behind-the-scenes look at life at Cliff Park – from student achievements and classroom highlights to important updates and upcoming events.

**Follow us today:**
**Facebook:** [Cliff Park Ormiston Academy](https://www.facebook.com/CliffParkOrmistonAcademy)
**Instagram:** @CliffParkOrmistonAcademy

We’re proud of our students and everything they’re achieving – come and see for yourself what makes Cliff Park such a special place to learn.

**Help Us Celebrate Your Child’s Success!**

At Cliff Park Ormiston Academy, we love to celebrate the achievements of our students – both in and out of school. Whether it’s a sporting success, a creative talent, community involvement or a personal milestone, we want to hear about it!

If your child has achieved something you’re proud of, big or small, we’d love the chance to share it with our school community through our newsletters and social media channels.

**How to share:**
Please email a short description and, if possible, a photo to CPOAnews@cliffparkoa.co.uk

Thank you for helping us shout about all the brilliant things happening beyond the classroom!

**Year 11 Prom Information**

We were delighted to invite Year 11 students to the Leavers Prom this week The details of the Year 11 Prom are as follows:

**Date:** Thursday 3rd July
**Time:** Arrive for 6.30pm – 11.00pm
**Venue:** Royal Assembly Rooms, Great Yarmouth
**Tickets:** Tickets can be purchased via Parent Pay for £40

Tickets are still available from the main school office so please pop along to collect your ticket.

**Attendance Trip Reminder**

If your child has been invited to the attendance trip, can you please ensure this is paid for via parentpay as soon as possible. Any issues please speak to the office.

**Breakfast Club**

We continue to offer a **FREE** breakfast for all our students. The Breakfast Club is available between 8.00AM and 8.25AM and all students are welcome.

**Please could I remind parents to make sure that you have placed sufficient funds on your child’s Parent Pay account to help maintain the smooth running of the checkouts.**

**Medication in the Academy**

Please can we remind parents that students are not permitted to carry any form of medication with them around the academy. If your child needs to take any medication during the academy day please complete a medical form and leave the medication with main office. Student will be able to access the medication when required at break and lunch (or as directed by GP). Thank you in helping us to support the safety of our students.

**Main reception Opening Hours**

Opening hours for our main reception – 8.00 am to 4.00 pm Monday to Thursday. 8.00 am to 3.30pm on a Friday. Telephone 01493 661504 option 2 or email enquiries@cliffparkoa.co.uk

**SEND drop in reminder**

If you have any concerns or questions around SEND, Parents and Carers are invited to attend a SEND drop in session which is held at the academy every Tuesday morning 8.30 - 8.50am.

**Parent Drop In reminder**

Parents / Carers are welcome to drop into the academy to meet with myself or a member of my Senior Team every Wednesday. **You do not need to make an appointment, please just come to reception between 8.50 and 9.30AM and we will be happy to meet with you**. I understand the crucial role that parents play in a community school and welcome discussion on any aspect of our school community.

**NEW Weekly Principal Drop-In – Tuesdays 3:00–4:00PM**

We’re pleased to introduce a new opportunity for parents and carers to speak directly with the Principal in an informal setting. Starting this term, Principal Drop-In Sessions will run every Tuesday from 3:00 to 4:00PM, right after school.

Whether you have a question, some feedback, or simply want to have a conversation about life at Cliff Park, you are warmly welcome to drop in – no appointment needed.

We look forward to seeing you there and continuing to strengthen the partnership between school and home.

Unfortunately, we will not be able to see parents who drop into reception outside of this period except where there is a safeguarding concern.

**Important Dates**

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| **Date**   | **Event**   |
| Monday 30th June – Friday 4th July | Y10 Work experience week |
| Monday 30th June / Tuesday 1st July | Year 6 Transition days |
| Monday 30th June  | Year 6 Parents Evening 6.00 pm |
| Thursday 3rd July  | Year 11 Prom |
| Friday 18th July | Last day of Summer term  |
| Wednesday 3rd September  | School reopens  |

**Heads of Year Contact details**

If you need to contact your child’s head of year please email them or call the main reception to pass a message on for you.

Year 7 - Ms Phillips ephillips@cliffparkoa.co.uk

Year 8 - Mr Warnes mwarnes@cliffparkoa.co.uk

Year 9 - Miss Harris mharris@cliffparkoa.co.uk

Year 10 – Mrs Dudley ddudley@cliffparkoa.co.uk

Year 11 - Mr Callaby rcallaby@cliffparkoa.co.uk

Thank you for supporting us in maintaining the high standards that we know you expect from Cliff Park Ormiston Academy.

Have a brilliant weekend.

Yours sincerely

Harry French
**Principal**