

WELCOME TO CLIFF PARK CONNECT

Cliff Park Connect is the school's regular window into daily life at Cliff Park Ormiston Academy, helping bring the community together around students' achievements and school priorities.



OLIVIA SANDEMAN - ORMISTON'S GOT TALENT REGIONAL CHAMPION!

A huge congratulations to Olivia Sandeman in Year 10, who achieved first place at Ormiston's Got Talent, competing against 18 acts from across the trust.

Olivia wowed the crowd with an outstanding freestyle dance performance, showing incredible confidence, skill and stage presence. Her performance stood out on the night and earned her a well-deserved place at the top of the competition.

As a result of her success, Olivia will now go on to represent the academy at the national finals in Birmingham this July.

We are incredibly proud of Olivia's achievement and wish her the very best of luck as she prepares for the finals.

Finally, a big thank you to Miss Pacini for doing such a great job supporting all of our brilliant acts.

ATTENDANCE INCENTIVE - 10 DAYS TO THRIVE !

25 TO THRIVE

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		16/03/26	DOUBLE 17/03/26 ENTRY	18/03/26	19/03/26	DOUBLE 20/03/26 ENTRY
		23/03/26	DOUBLE 24/03/26 ENTRY	25/03/26	26/03/26	DOUBLE 27/03/26 ENTRY

Each morning, show **Resilience and Excellence** by being present and on time, and ask your form tutor to sign the box for that day.

Completing all 25 days demonstrates **Commitment to our Community** and personal **Aspiration**. Only students who return a fully completed card on the final day of the Spring Term will be entered into the £150 prize draw.

Take responsibility and keep this card safe. Lost cards cannot be replaced.

By attending each morning students show **Resilience and Excellence** by being present and on time. For the next 10 days we are asking student to complete a 'Thrive Card'.

Every student who completes all 25 days and hands in a completed card at the end of the Spring Term will be entered into the £150 prize draw.

ATTENDANCE MATTERS!

Good attendance is one of the most important factors in helping students achieve success at school. **Every lesson counts, and each day in school gives students the opportunity to build knowledge, strengthen routines and stay connected to their learning.**

When attendance is strong, students are better placed to make progress, develop confidence and maintain positive relationships with staff and peers. **Missing school can quickly lead to gaps in learning, making it harder for students to keep up and feel fully involved in academy life.**

At Cliff Park, we want every student to attend every day, on time, ready to learn.

Strong attendance supports not only academic achievement, but also resilience, belonging and future success. We are grateful to parents and carers for their continued support in helping students attend regularly and make the most of every opportunity.

UNIFORM REMINDER

A reminder to all students and families that blazers must be worn at all times in the academy, unless a member of staff gives permission to remove them.

Hoodies are not part of the school uniform and must not be worn on site. Any hoodies seen in school will be confiscated and can be collected at the end of the day.

MAIN RECEPTION OPENING

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

THIS WEEK IN CLASSROOMS:



Year 9 students recently enjoyed the opportunity to develop their practical cooking skills through a baking session as part of their learning.

The session gave students the chance to follow recipes carefully, practise key food preparation techniques and build their confidence in the kitchen. It was fantastic to see students showing creativity, focus and pride in their work as they produced some excellent bakes.

Year 9 students involved for their enthusiasm and effort.



Year 10 students recently took part in an exciting green screen photography session, exploring how digital technology can be used to create imaginative and professional-looking images.

During the activity, students learned how green screen techniques work and had the opportunity to experiment with composition, creativity and visual storytelling. It was fantastic to see them engage so positively, showing confidence, curiosity and a willingness to try new ideas.

YEAR 9 COUNTY CUP FINALISTS

I am please to inform you that the year 9 football will again be competing in the county cup final. This is the third year in a row they have made a county final having won the plate in year 7 and the cup last year.

To reach this years final the team had to overcome a very physical team from Ormiston Victory Academy. Cliff Park led 2 nil at half time but had to overcome a spirited comeback as Victory levelled the game 2 all before CPOA composed themselves and scored a goal 15 minutes from time and held on to the lead winning 3-2.

The final will take place after Easter and I'm sure you will wish the year 9 boys luck!

D OF E VOLUNTARY SERVICE



As part of their Duke of Edinburgh Award, students have been taking part in voluntary service, giving their time to support others and make a positive contribution to the community.

We are proud of the students involved for the maturity and dedication they have shown. Thank you for your hard work.

YEAR 10 PARENTS EVENING



Thank you to all Year 10 parents, carers and students who attended our Parents' Evening.

It was a really positive event and an important opportunity for families to meet with subject teachers, discuss progress and identify the next steps as students continue through this important stage of their GCSE courses.

Working together between school and home makes a real difference.

YEAR 8 VISITING POET



Year 8 students had the exciting opportunity to work with a visiting poet, taking part in a session designed to inspire creativity, confidence and a love of language.

During the visit, students explored how poetry can be used to express ideas, emotions and personal experiences.

We are very proud of the students who did a brilliant job creating amazing poetry.

YEAR 10 MOCKS - 4 WEEKS TO GO!

Year 10 will be sitting mock examinations after Easter, during the week beginning **Monday 13th April until Friday 1st May**. This mock exam window will enable students and their teachers to assess the progress that has been made, whilst identifying areas for develop that can then be targeted in Year 11.

All Year 10 Mock Examinations will take place in the Sports Hall, under examination conditions to enable students to experience what their final Year 11 Summer exams will be like. Mock timetables and revision materials will be made available to students in the coming weeks.

YEAR 10 REVISION RESOURCES

Year 10 students can access a wide range of revision resources through the Revision Hub on the academy website by following the QR codes below.

Please scan the QR codes to explore the available support and help your child build strong revision habits ahead of their mock examinations.



YEAR 10 WORK EXPERIENCE

Well done to the many Year 10s who have found a Work Experience Placement. A reminder that this will be taking place during the week beginning Monday 29th June.

Please encourage your child to find a Work Experience placement. Help is available for any student struggling to find a placement. Please email Mr Sorrento ssorrento@cliffparkoa.co.uk who will then organise a Careers Interview for them with our trained Careers Advisor.

PRINCIPAL 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.

YEAR 10 MOCK EXAM TABLE

Please ensure you keep a copy of this timetable for reference. Having it easily accessible will help students stay organised and prepared, and support smooth routines throughout the week.

	AM (PERIODS 1 AND 2)		PM (PERIODS 3 AND 4)	
	FORM BRIEFING	EXAM	P3 BRIEFING	EXAM
Wk 1				
13/04/2026	MCO (Main Hall)	Physics (45 mins)	SMI (Main Hall)	History (1hr 20)
14/04/2026	HRU (Main Hall)	English Language (1hr 45)	Music and Drama (Periods 4-5)	
15/04/2026	MHS (Main Hall)	Hospitality (1 hr 20)	RGN (Drama Studio)	French (1 hr 30)
	Photography Day 1 (All Day)			
16/04/2026	HAD (Main Hall)	Maths: Non-Calc. (45 mins)	Music and Drama (Periods 3-5)	
			Art (Periods 3-5)	
17/04/2026	MCO (Main Hall)	Biology (45 mins)	AJO (Lecture Theatre)	Health & Social (1hr)
			KMI (Main Hall)	Engineering (1hr)
Wk 2				
20/04/2026	HRU (Main Hall)	English Lit (1hr 45)	Media Studies coursework (Periods 4 and 5)	
			Art (Periods 4-5) + CATCH-UP	
21/04/2026	MCO (Main Hall)	Chemistry (45 mins)	KAD (Main Hall)	Geography (1 hr 30)
22/04/2026	Photography Day 2 (All Day) + CATCH-UP			
23/04/2026	Art Day 2 (all Day) + CATCH-UP			
24/04/2026	HAD (Main Hall)	Maths: Non-Calc. (45 mins)	SSO (Main Hall)	Media Studies (1 hr 30)

Please report any absence on examination days by calling 01493 661504 (Option 1) BEFORE 8.30am

IMPORTANT DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Date	Event
Thursday 12th March	Year 10 Parents Evening
Thursday 30th April	Y7 Parents Evening
Thursday 9th July	Y11 Prom – Great Yarmouth Racecourse