



Dear Parents/Carers,

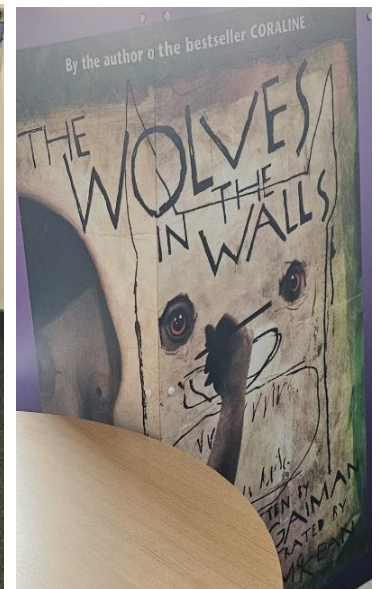
Welcome back to Edward Worlledge Ormiston Academy for the new school year. A special welcome to any parents that are new to us, we hope you feel very welcome and your children have settled quickly into their new classes and routines. It has been a delight to see all of the children coming through the gates with their smiling faces and smart new uniforms and I am sure they are looking forward to their weekend break after a hot and busy week. I have been impressed with how quickly they have adjusted to being back in school, working hard in lessons and following the academy routines. With the weather cooling down a little next week the temperatures in the classrooms should become far more comfortable.

Over the summer break there have been a number of improvements made to the academy, these include:

New Early years entrance to help with the flow of children as they move between their outside and inside activities



Locker displays that brighten up our cloakroom areas and encourage children to read quality books

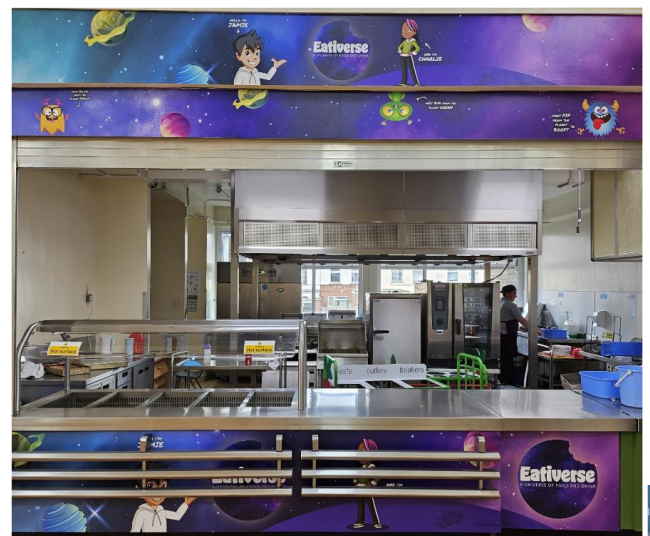


An inclusion base called 'Bure class' that helps us to ensure we are meeting the needs of all our school community.

Curriculum booklets in History, Geography and Science that match and extend curriculum plans in those subjects.

A new website which launched over the summer break, it looks fantastic and more importantly should be easier to navigate and find the information you need. Please check the website regularly as that is where we publish important information for parents (inc. term dates, upcoming events, curriculum info and more).

Kitchen servery brightened up and made more colourful and enjoyable for the children





**Contact details - Can I remind you to ensure your contact details with us are up to date. It is important that all pupils have at least 3 emergency contacts listed on our system.**

### Start and end of the day routine

Pupils in Yr1-6 line up on the main playground, which is a great chance for the teachers to chat with them individually and welcome them into school. Year 1 and 2 then go straight to class and Year 3, 4, 5 and 6 children have a very quick message and reminders before heading into class as well. After 4 days of this routine we have noticed it has made the start of day much calmer and children are more ready to start their lessons.

### Academy uniform

I have placed a link below to our uniform policy on the academy website

<https://edwardworlledgeoa.co.uk/key-info/uniform>

Children do need to wear their full academy uniform including black school shoes or plain black leather trainers. On days that they have PE they will change in and out of their uniform before and after their PE lesson.

**ParentMail – Please make sure you have signed up for your account. Visit the link below for information on cashless payment, communication and help. A printed copy will be sent home with all pupils next week. <https://tinyurl.com/Parentmail0923> Around 70% of families are registered with an email address Around 50% of families have registered for an account**

### Calendar

We want to give parents as much warning as possible on important dates throughout the year, such as parents evenings, half term dates, Christmas concerts, sports days etc. We are in the process of finalising our calendar for this school year and will have key dates available on the academy website by the end of the week and included in next week's newsletter.

### Clubs

Breakfast and Care Club are up and running. Booking opens every Thursday at 8:00am and closes on Friday at 3:30pm (this is for the following week).

**Breakfast club** runs from 7:45am – 8:30am and costs £2.00 per session.

**Care Club** runs from 3:00pm – 5:00pm and costs £2.50 per hour.

**Enrichment Club** sign up is now live! Sign up here – <https://forms.office.com/e/gFu6qwqKUE> (this link will close on Tuesday). Confirmation texts will be sent out next week to start W/C 18/09/2023.

### Fundraising

We will be holding a Macmillan coffee morning on **Friday 29<sup>th</sup> September from 9:00am – 10:30am** please come along and support the cause also get yourself a cake and a drink, bring family and friends along too or meet some other parents. If you can't come along, please help with donations of cakes.



### Learning with Parents Launch Event –

**SAVE THE DATE! Friday 29<sup>th</sup> September 2023**

This year we are continuing to work with Learning with Parents as part of our homework programme. Lots of parents are already signed up from last year and your details will roll over this year, however, we have lots of new parents and some of you may want a refresher on the site and how to use it. The session will take place as part of the MacMillan Coffee morning. There will be cake and coffee and a chance to meet other parents.

**Online Reading Records, how does it work? <https://tinyurl.com/LWP080923>**

Thank you for all your kind words of support – they are always very much appreciated.

