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Dear Parent or guardian

Firstly, I wish to introduce myself as the new Principal of Ormiston Maritime Academy (OMA). I am extremely passionate about education and very excited to be involved with the Academy on its improvement journey. At the beginning of the term I have worked with the staff body over two INSET days. I have been very encouraged by the commitment and passion shown by all staff – it is clear they want the very best for their students.

### **Early closure – Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> September**

It is Ormiston Maritime Academy's Year 6 Open Evening event on **Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> September 2019**. In order to fully prepare for this lunch for students will finish slightly earlier at 12:50pm followed by a short 10 minute registration in period 4. Students will then be dismissed at **1:00pm** on this day only. If your child is unable to leave at this time, they are welcome to stay in the library under supervision until the normal finish time of 2:00pm.

### **Uniform**

It has been an absolute pleasure to see students following the dress code. I wish to remind parents that students will be placed into isolation if the dress code is not followed until it is corrected. This particularly includes extreme hairstyles and facial piercings. Parents will be contacted if this is the case. I wish to thank those parents who have continued to support the Academy with such high standards.

### **Rewards and Homework**

After welcoming all students I am pleased with the great start made to their new academic year. Being the new Principal, I have decided to place a new rewards and homework system in place so it has purpose. This half term will be used to put together these two systems and you receive more information over the next few weeks with regards to this. Homework still may be set in the meantime, but a more formal way of how these systems will work will be with you in due course.

### **Detentions**

It may be the case that your child could receive a detention as per our behaviour policy. All detentions set by teaching staff will be 40 minutes long which take place, on most occasions, the next day of it being set. Teachers will telephone home to inform you of this if this should occur. Late detentions will be completed on the same day after school which is 30 minutes plus the number of minutes late.

### **Principal Drop-In sessions**

It is important to me that I get your views as parents about the Academy so please look out for communication about forthcoming drop-in sessions that parents may choose to attend.

I wish all students a fantastic academic year. Please feel free to contact me if you have any queries.

Yours sincerely

Mrs C Robson  
Principal

