

## **MEDIA CALL**

### **Official opening of the newly completed Ormiston Venture Academy**

**Where:** Ormiston Venture Academy, Oriel Avenue, Gorleston-on-Sea, NR31 7JJ

**When:** 23 April, 2014

**Time:** 1.30pm – 2.30pm

#### **Details:**

Students, staff and governors of Ormiston Venture Academy invite you to the official opening of the recently completed building that houses their outstanding school.

**1.30pm:** Guests gather on the grass at the front of the Academy.

**1.45pm:** Prior to Callum Cooke, a former student and Gresham's Scholar currently studying fine art at Oxford University, cutting the official ribbon there will be a series of speeches by:

- **Professor Toby Salt**, chief executive officer, Ormiston Academies Trust (OAT)
- **Nicole McCartney**, executive principal of Ormiston Venture Academy and national director of performance and partnerships for OAT.
- **Simon Gilbert-Barnham**, principal of Ormiston Venture Academy
- **Lesley King**, chair of governors

2.00pm: Tours of the new build begin

Profile for Professor Toby Salt, chief executive officer of Ormiston Academies Trust

Previously Deputy Chief Executive and Executive Director at the National College for School Leadership, Toby has extensive experience in the education sector including headships and as chief executive in various posts. Toby established the first hard federation, as chief executive of a group of schools, which was recognised by Ofsted as outstanding. Toby Salt has a Masters in Education from University of Birmingham and the National Professional Qualification for Headship from University of

Cambridge and Department for Education and Skills. Toby has been appointed as visiting professor at the University of Wolverhampton for education leadership and is a board member of UCAS. Ormiston Venture Academy is supporting Mrs Smith with a range of activities incorporating world sight day and her marathon run. This includes a team Marathon in December where 26 teams running a mile each will help raise more money. ENDS

