Parent Bulletin



Monday 14th July- Friday 18th July 2025

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Upcoming dates

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Date	Event
Monday 14th July 2025	Year 10 Sixth Form Taster Day (Morning Only) Career Advisor in School
Tuesday 15th July 2025	-
Wednesday 16th July 2025	KS3 Trip - Mary Poppins (birmingham Hippodrome) - Evening Show
Thursday 17th July 2025	'Do Something Different Day' Career Advisor in School
Friday 18th July 2025	Break up from School at 12.15pm

Thankyou

Please can you pass on our thanks to all the students for the maturity they have shown this week. Every student has been so accommodating with the changes we have had to make due to the canteen being closed. In most schools that I have worked, this would have caused massive disruption, but our students have been so sensible and adapted to the changes incredibly well. I am very proud of them.

Matilda

I don't honestly know what to say except wow!

I think the feedback from one of the school governors sums it up perfectly:

What a triumph! It was such a pleasure to be there and see the pupils giving it their all and having a lot of fun on the way. Some great talents and a chance for them to try out performing in public. But most of all a real sense of everyone included and a pulling together and connection between the girls. Well done everyone involved and especially the teachers that I am sure worked very hard to pull it all together.

Thankyou to all the students and parents who have supported this years production, but most of all thankyou to the Performing Arts team who have spend hours of their own time rehearsing with the students.

End of term reminder

School will finish at 12:15 on Friday 18th July for the summer. Students should attend on this day with normal equipment and full uniform (unless we contact you otherwise due to warm weather).

Students will return to school at normal time on Thursday 4th September.

Uniform for September

Just the usual reminder about uniform expectations.

Piercings - We do not permit piercings in school, with the exception of one pair of plain gold or silver studs in the earlobe. Any other piercings should be removed. If planning to have any new piercings over the summer, please ensure that these are undertaken at the start of the holidays so they can be removed in September.

Skirts - these should be just below knee length at the start of the year, to allow room to grow. Please DO NOT purchase skirts shorter than the required length because these will not be permitted in September. Please also do not purchase skirts made of stretch material. They should be fitted or pleated as detailed in the uniform policy.

Trousers - just a reminder that these should be tailored style school trousers that are below the ankle. Please do not purchase tight fitting/stretch material trousers as these will not be permitted.

Finally, a massive thankyou to the vast majority of parents and students who wear their uniform perfectly every day - we get so many compliments about how our students present themselves both from people who visit the school and members of the public who encounter our students on the way to and from school.

Uniform donations

As we come to the end of term, thoughts often turn to preparing for September. This often involves some items of new uniform. If replacing uniform because it no longer fits, it would be massively appreciated if you could donate your old uniform to the school. This uniform is then used to support students who forget uniform, spill something on their uniform, or can't afford a replacement uniform.

Uniform that is particularly useful includes:

- Ties
- Shirts
- Skirts
- Trousers
- Blazers
- Jumpers
- PE kit (jumpers, t-shirts, shorts, skorts, joggers, leggings)

If you have any uniform that you can donate, please can you bring it to reception and they will collect it.

Year 7 Parent Survey - Your views required! - REMINDER

Thank you to all those Year 7 parents/carers who have already provided feedback. Your views are very important to us.

There is still time to respond to the survey and have your say.

Please <u>click here</u> to complete the survey.

Please note that this survey will be open to accept responses **until 5:00 pm on Monday 14th July 2025**

Many thanks

Mrs Finucane

AHT:Personal Development

Year 12 Parent Survey - Your views required! - REMINDER

We would like to gather the views of **Year 12 parents and carers** on a range of school related areas to help us ensure we are providing the best provision for our students.

We would appreciate you taking the time to fill in a short survey at your earliest convenience.

Please <u>click here</u> to complete the survey.

Thank you to all those parents who have already provided feedback. Your views are very important to us.

Please note that this survey will be open to accept responses **until Wednesday 16th July 2025**

Many thanks Mrs Finucane AHT:Personal Development

Emptying Lockers - WC Monday 14th July - Friday 18th July 2025

Please could you remind your child that all lockers **MUST** be emptied before students leave school on Friday 18th July 2025. This is so we can get ready for the summer clean and renumbering. If you would like to book a new locker for your child for the new academic year, please use the website below:

https://www.rentmylocker.co.uk/book-locker

Any belongings left behind after Friday 18th July will be discarded.

Many thanks

Mrs K Dean Student Services and Administration Manager

Confiscated Items:

If your child's had any items confiscated, please can you remind them to come and collect their items on Wednesday 16th July after school in the Ante Hall. If they have had perfumes, sprays, make up etc confiscated that are not collected, those items will be disposed of.

Lost Property Items:

If your child has lost any items over this term, please could you remind them to come and check lost property before leaving school on Wednesday 16th July. We will be discarding any items that are left that evening.

Many thanks

Mrs K Dean Student Services and Administration Manager

Medication held in School

If your child has any medication held in school, please could you collect this on the last day of term. Reception will be open until 12.30 that day.

Please could you send your child in with the relevant medication on their first day back. Many thanks Miss S Chahal

Online Safety Act: Children's Codes coming into effect on 25 July

On Friday 25 July, enforcement of the Online Safety Act's Children's Codes will come into effect. The enforcement of the codes marks a major shift in how children will experience the online world. Tech companies will have to design their platforms with children's safety front of mind and will need to provide more protection against harmful content like self-harm, eating disorders, pornography, and online grooming. They will also need to implement stronger age checks to keep children away from age-inappropriate sites and content.

Ofcom, the UK's online safety regulator, will be able to penalise and fine platforms that do not comply with the new codes.

More information on the changes is available on <u>How Ofcom is helping children to be safer</u> <u>online – a guide for parents - Ofcom</u>

Thanks Mrs Betty

Support for feeding families over the summer holiday

We appreciate that the six-week summer holiday can be a challenging time for families with regard to activities, childcare and meal-planning.

With this in mind, please note the following provisions that may support children who are in receipt of benefits-related free school meals:

- The 'Bring it on Brum' initiative of summer schools, camps and activities that students can book a place for, and FSM students will be provided with daily lunches. https://bringitonbrum.co.uk/
- Applying for the Household Support Fund through Birmingham City Council: https://www.birmingham.gov.uk/info/50274/cost of living support/2497/household support fund 2025 to 2026
- Various local food banks and community hubs -https://www.birmingham.gov.uk/info/20152/financial employment and benefits help/2289/foodbanks
- The 'Kids Eat Free' scheme, in which many local cafés and restaurants participate you can find a list here:
 https://www.bigissue.com/life/food/all-the-places-where-kids-eat-free-during-the-holidays/

Please do get in touch if you have any queries relating to this information.

Best wishes,

Mr Goetschel
Director for Raising Achievement (Temporary)

Celebrating Success!

As a school, we love celebrating the achievements of our students, both in and out of the classroom. While we can easily recognize successes within school, we know that many students accomplish incredible things outside of school as well.

To help us celebrate these achievements, please take a moment to complete the <u>form</u> and let us know about any successes your child has had. Whether it's a sporting victory, a music or drama performance, a charity effort, or any other accomplishment, we'd love to share and celebrate their hard work with our school community.

Thank you for your support!

Library Book Returns for the Summer

Please can I ask you all to return any library books you may have at home, or in your lockers.

Don't worry if your book is very overdue, they just need to come back into our stock so that we can prepare for September.

Books can either be returned directly to the library or you can use the library book box that you can find in the reception area (by the drinks machine).

Thank you all for your wonderful use of our library over this past year! It has been really great to see so many of you borrowing books or attending 'Lunchtime in the Library'!

Look forward to seeing you all in the library in September.

Enjoy your Summer holiday!

Mrs Pollard

Bring It on Brum - Free Bus Travel



Free Bus Travel – Offered by TfWM

Free 2 weeks bus travel

The form will be open to applications from 7th July 2025 and will close on 18th July 2025 at 12pm – all applications will be processed after the closing date.

Important Information – If you have applied for this offer previously you will not be entitled to the offer again – You may still receive a code, but this code will not work when you try to redeem it.

Optional onward scheme discounts also available.

Those eligible for the Bus Scheme will be supported with free bus travel via Swift technology and the nBus multi-operator bus ticketing scheme.

West Midlands Bus Scheme is applied through Government funding and enabled by Transport for West Midlands, to encourage modal shift, specifically to bus travel – available to eligible individuals seeking to change their travel habits.

To register for the scheme, please use the QR code below, or click on the weblink if this message has been digitally delivered.

Please note: Only one application per person can be processed

Individual eligibility dependant on webform survey response.





Please click the link below to apply for the free two weeks bus travel:

https://forms.office.com/pages/responsepage.aspx?id=RetZCK7xCk6e-ubWa7tnL29lz3Bp97dNm1T0WIC4dhVUNUVETzU5MllUTUc5Q0M3WlhWMTNPWlUzMyQlQCN0PWcu&route=shorturl

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