



14 July 2025

End of Summer Term & Arrangements for the Start of Autumn Term 2025

Dear Parents/Carers,

As we approach the end of the school year there are a number of important dates and notices below to share with you.

End of Summer Term Arrangements

The last day of term for all pupils is Friday 18 July 2025. Pupils will be dismissed from the site at 11:10. If your child is entitled to a free school meal, you will receive a text/in-app message with a link to complete an online form (one form per child) confirming that you would like them to collect a packed lunch before they are dismissed.

Arrangements for the Start of Autumn Term

From Tuesday 2 September 2025, we will be staggering pupils' return to school as follows:

Date	Pupils Return/At Home
Monday 1 September 2025	Staff Training Day - school closed to all pupils
Tuesday 2 September 2025	Year 7 & 11 will start school at 08:30
Wednesday 3 September 2025	All year groups in school at 08:30
Thursday 4 September 2025	
Friday 4 September 2025	

The School Day

	Entry/Exit Point	Start	Finish
Year 7	Key Stage 3 Gate	08:30	Monday: 16:10 Tuesday - Thursday: 15:10 Friday: 13:40
Year 8			
Year 9			
Year 10	Key Stage 4 Gate	08:30	Monday: 16:10 Tuesday - Thursday: 15:10 Friday: 13:40
Year 11			

Punctuality

Pupils need to arrive at the school site ready to enter by 08:30; pupils who arrive before this time are welcome to use our free breakfast club in West Canteen. The school gates are locked at 08:37, so any pupil arriving after this will be marked as late and will receive a 30-minute detention.

Reusable Water Bottles

As part of our commitment to sustainability—driven by the work of our Year 8 pupils on their Solutions for The Planet project—we are a no single-use plastics site. Therefore, please ensure your child brings a reusable water bottle when they return to school. Water bottle filling stations are available around the school for pupils to use.

Learning Wallets

All pupils have been issued with a learning wallet this year which includes all equipment they will need in the classroom to ensure no lost learning time. Please can you make sure your child keeps this safe over the summer holidays and brings it with them on their return in September as new ones will not be issued. Pupils also need remember to bring a school bag with them every day to carry their learning wallet and any learning materials.

ParentPay

Please ensure you top up your account before the start of the Autumn Term. This also applies to pupils bringing packed lunches or those eligible for Free School Meals. If your child is eligible for Free School Meals, you may top up their account if they wish to make purchases beyond their daily allowance. If you have not yet activated your account, you can request your login details by calling the School Office at 0121 783 7807 or emailing enquiry@hodgehill.bham.sch.uk.

Free School Meals

Parents and carers are encouraged to apply for Free School Meals via our website at <https://www.hodgehill.bham.sch.uk/freeschoolmeals>. Alternatively, they can call or visit the school to complete the application with a staff member, and we will assist if needed. Please have the National Insurance Number of the person receiving either working tax credit or child tax credit ready when applying.

Please note that more parents will be eligible for Free School Meals from September due to government changes to the eligibility criteria.

Uniform

Pupils are expected to attend school in full uniform, including the Hodge Hill College tie, blazer, and black shoes. I would like to take this opportunity to remind parents and carers of our expectations regarding PE kit: no hoodies are allowed in school, and jogging bottoms should be plain navy. Full details of the school PE kit can be found on our website: <https://www.hodgehill.bham.sch.uk/uniform>.

May I take this opportunity to wish you and your families a safe and restful summer period and I look forward to welcoming our pupils back to Hodge Hill College in September.

Yours faithfully,



Hannah Herrmann
Headteacher