

Weekly Bulletin

26 January 2026 - 30 January 2026

Important Dates	
4 February	Year 8 HPV Immunisations & Year 9 Parents' Evening
16-20 February	February Half-term
23 February-6 March	Year 11 Spring Mock Exams
30 March-10 April	Easter Holidays
20 April-29 April	Year 11 Creative Design Practical GCSE Exams
20 April-8 May	Year 11 MFL Speaking GCSE Exams
4 May	Early May Bank Holiday (School Closed)
13 May	Year 9 SLB Immunisations
25 May-29 May	May Half-term
1 July	New Year 7 Induction Day & Welcome Event
3 July	Staff Training Day (School Closed)
6 July-16 July	New Year 11 Work Experience
17 July	New Year 11 Work Experience Debrief & End of Summer Term
20 July-31 August	Summer Holidays

Ofsted Inspection Report – December 2025

As you're aware, our school was inspected by Ofsted on 2 December 2025 and 3 December 2025. The report has now been published and is available to read on our school website using the link below:

<https://www.hodgehill.bham.sch.uk/ofsted>

During the inspection, inspectors spent time in school observing lessons, speaking with pupils, staff and governors, and reviewing a range of information, including responses to the Ofsted Parent View survey. We would like to thank all parents and carers who took the time to share their views through this process.

We would like to thank our pupils for their positive conduct and our staff for their continued commitment and professionalism. We also value the ongoing support of our school community.

As always, we remain committed to building on our strengths and continuing to improve outcomes for all our pupils, and we are grateful for your continued support.

Useful Links



[Hodge Hill College](#)



[ParentPay](#)



[MyEd](#)



[Birmingham City Council](#)

A message from Bridget Phillipson



Dear Hannah,

Congratulations to you and your team on the excellent outcomes the disadvantaged pupils at Hodge Hill College achieved at the end of the 2024/25 academic year. Your school's performance places it among the very best nationally, and this is a significant achievement.

This success reflects the dedication of your staff and the hard work of your pupils. It shows what can be achieved when ambition and commitment come together. Thank you for everything you do to give children the best possible opportunities to succeed.

Your school's achievements demonstrate what is possible, and I hope you will continue to share your experience and best practice with others. Even the strongest schools can go further. We encourage you to lead the way as a system leader - sharing effective practice, championing networks, supporting collaboration, and helping raise standards across the sector.

There are real opportunities available for you to support improvement for a wider group of pupils including through:

- engaging actively with your region's RISE networks and partnering with nearby schools and trusts;
- contributing to regional roundtables and professional communities to spread the approaches that are working in your context; and
- sustaining excellence by continuing to focus on disadvantaged pupils

Please pass on my thanks and congratulations to your staff and pupils. I look forward to working with you as we strive together to raise standards for all.

Your sincerely,

Bridget

Bridget Phillipson
Secretary of State for Education



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YEAR 9 PARENTS' EVENING

Wednesday 4 February
16:00-18:30

0121 783 7807  www.hodgehill.bham.sch.uk

Parents' Evening is a crucial event for parents, pupils, and teachers. It gives teachers the opportunity to discuss your child's academic progress and provide advice on the next steps for improvement.

We value working in partnership with families and encourage you to take this opportunity to discuss your child's performance and how we can support them further.

Pupils will receive their reports during the evening, which will be the basis for discussing their achievements and efforts. Teaching staff will be available to meet with you from 16:00 to 18:30.

If you wish to meet with all your child's teachers, please allow at least an hour and a half and try to arrive no later than 17:00.

Year 11 Leavers' Hoodies – Now Available to Order

Leavers' hoodies for Year 11 pupils are now available to order online. Parents have been sent a letter containing a unique code to place their order. All orders must be made directly with the company via their website: <https://shop.fizz-group.co.uk/shop/hoodie>. The deadline for placing orders is 27 April 2026, and each hoodie costs £28.99.

Attendance - Why It Matters

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ATTENDANCE - WHY IT MATTERS

Persistent absence means pupils who miss more than 10% of the school every year

-£750

For each additional day of absence between Years 7 to 11, the typical pupil could miss out an average of **£750** in future lifetime earnings

-£10,000

Persistently absent pupils in Year 10 and 11 could earn **£10,000** less on average at age 28, compared to pupils with near perfect attendance

This rises to almost **£20,000** less on average at age 28 for those who are severely absent



For employability over a sustained period, people age 28 were around:



Less likely to be employed when **persistently absent***



Less likely to be employed when **severely absent***

*Compared to their peers with near perfect attendance

APPLICATIONS ARE NOW OPEN FOR

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APPLICATIONS CLOSE 15TH MARCH 2026

Important Update from the School Aged Immunisation Team & Year HPV Immunisations

All immunisation consents will now be managed online. The School Aged Immunisation Team (SIAS) will no longer accept paper consent forms. Their new system, MAVIS, is live. Parents will receive a link approximately 3–4 weeks before the scheduled session.

Year 8 Parents: Please keep an eye out for an email this month to provide consent for HPV vaccinations, which are planned for 4 February 2026.

The immunisations will take place on school premises, and pupils will be required to attend school as usual. They will be called out of lessons for the immunisations. Please note that only pupils with parental consent will be vaccinated. If you need more information about the HPV vaccine, please visit [NHS - HPV Vaccine](#). If you need help or advice completing the consent form, please contact the Birmingham SAIS team on the phone at 0121 466 3410 or via email at bchnt.hpvteamcentral@nhs.net.

Year 11 Extra Tuition Available Throughout the Week

We are pleased to offer extra tuition sessions for Year 11 pupils throughout the week to help support their learning and exam preparation. We encourage all parents to check the [Year 11 Extra Tuition Timetable](#) for more information.

Absence Reporting

If your child is going to be absent from school, please let us know before 08:30. You can do this by sending an in-app message (free of charge) to the Absence Hotline via our MyEd app or calling 0121 783 7807.

Parents/Carers may be asked to provide medical evidence where there are repeated absences due to reported illness.

Punctuality

All pupils must arrive on time each day to run the school efficiently. Pupils are expected to be on school premises by 08:30.

The Key Stage 3 and 4 gates will close at 08:37, and any pupil who arrives after this time will need to sign in via the School Office.

If a pupil is late for school, they will receive a 30-minute detention on the same day. Similarly, if a pupil is late for a lesson, they will receive a 30-minute detention on the same day. If a pupil is marked late more than once in a day, the detention time will be increased on the same day.

Learning Wallets, School Bags & Equipment

All pupils have been given a learning wallet containing the equipment they need to bring to school to support their access to the curriculum. This needs to be brought into school every day in a school bag to ensure it is kept safe. Pupils without a bag have been provided with one. Failure to bring in the learning wallet or school bag will result in a 60-minute detention.

If pupils lose any of their equipment, they are responsible for replacing it. Stationery items are available for purchase at both canteens for a nominal amount of 10p per item (cash).

If your child needs to replace their calculator, you can either provide one or purchase a new one through ParentPay/the School Office for £15 (cashless).

Empty learning wallets are also available to purchase through ParentPay/the School Office for £1.70 (cashless).

School Policies & Documents

Parents can access the latest school policies and important documents on the [policies page](#) of our website.

Parents can view the school's stance on prominent issues that may affect their child and see the codes of conduct that their child should adhere to as a member of the school student body.

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Step 2: Search for My Ed

Step 3: Download the app

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Attendance

Keep up to date with your child's attendance details.



Forms

Fill in forms securely on your app and return them directly to school.



Timetables

Get regular updates on timetables.



Key Dates

Important dates the school needs you to know.



News

Access the latest school news.



Info Packs

Digital information packs reduces time, hassle & paper.



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Find out more

www.myedschoolapp.com

ParentPay

ParentPay enables parents/carers to make secure payments for their child's lunches and school trips.

ParentPay Activation

When pupils join Hodge Hill College, parents/carers are issued with a ParentPay Activation Letter that contains a temporary ParentPay username and password. As part of the account activation, the parent/carer will need to choose an email address and new password to use with ParentPay. Parents/carers should follow the instructions in the letter, and on www.parentpay.com to successfully activate their account. If you have more than one child at our school or have children in other schools that use ParentPay, you can create a single account to manage them all.

Forgotten Password

If a parent/carer can't get into their ParentPay account, they should go to www.parentpay.com > For Parents > Parent Login, and click on the "Forgotten password" link. Parents/carers should not need to contact school to regain access to ParentPay accounts.

Outstanding Balances

If you have an unpaid balance on your child's ParentPay account, we kindly request you to settle it as soon as possible by logging into your account. Your child will need to bring their own packed lunch and they will not be able to use the school canteen until the account is topped up and the debts have been cleared.

If you need help with adding credit to the account, please visit the School Office with your debit card.

FAQs & More Information

- FAQs: www.hodgehill.bham.sch.uk/parentpay
- More information: www.parentpay.com
- Call the School Office: 0121 783 7807

Free School Meals

Who is eligible for Free School Meals?

Your child may be able to get free school meals if you get any of the following:

- Income Support
- income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- the guaranteed element of Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
- Working Tax Credit run-on - paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- Universal Credit - if you apply on or after 1 April 2018 your household income must be less than £7,400 a year (after tax and not including any benefits you get)

Apply for Free School Meals

We encourage you to [apply for Free School Meals](#) through the online service found on our website. You can also telephone (0121 783 7807) or come into school and complete a Free School Meals application online with a member of staff if you prefer.

Please make sure you have the National Insurance Number with you for the named person who receives either working tax credit/child tax credit and we will be happy to help.

Weekly Lunch Menu

The [school lunch menus](#) are available to view on our website and provide an overview of the menu items that will be served each day.



What Parents & Educators Need to Know about AI-GENERATED VIDEOS

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

AI-generated videos are increasingly difficult to spot and easy to share. From fake news clips to deepfake abuse, children and young people face new risks every day online. These videos can imitate real people, spread false narratives or even generate harmful content from scratch. Understanding these dangers is crucial for schools and families who want to protect children in a fast-evolving digital world.

DEEPIAKE ABUSE CONTENT

Shockingly, artificial intelligence is now being exploited to create child sexual abuse material (CSAM). These synthetic images and videos are a form of digital abuse, often generated by manipulating real children's photos, including ones shared innocently online. Worryingly, the internet Watch Foundation (IWF) has identified a sharp rise in this disturbing trend. Whether real or AI-generated, this content causes lasting trauma – and its creation or possession remains a criminal offence under UK law.

BLURRED REALITY

Regular exposure to fake content can erode a child's trust in real-world evidence. If everything can be faked, they may begin to question genuine videos – including actual abuse or injustice. This is known as the 'liar's dividend', where real harm is dismissed as fake news. It can discourage victims from coming forward or speaking up.

USED FOR BULLYING

Deepfake technology is already being used by peers to create embarrassing or explicit clips of classmates. These videos can be edited to appear as though a child said or did something they never did. Once shared, they are almost impossible to delete completely. AI-generated bullying adds a new layer of harm that is deeply personal and difficult to prove.

EMOTIONAL MANIPULATION

AI-generated videos can be used to provoke strong emotions, including fear, anger or guilt. False footage of crying children, injured animals or burning buildings may be created purely for clicks, donations or political influence. Children may feel upset or powerless, unaware that what they are watching has been digitally invented to manipulate their reaction.

DISINFORMATION

AI-generated videos can spread fake news, making it harder for children to separate fact from fiction. False clips may include deepfake interviews, hoax disasters or fabricated health claims. AI is already being used to produce misleading or persuasive material that appears authentic. If they don't develop media literacy, children may accept false content as truth.

IMPERSONATION AND SCAMS

With just a few photos or voice clips, AI tools can imitate someone's appearance or speech. This makes it easier for scammers or bullies to create fake videos of children, teachers or celebrities. These impersonations can be used for fraud, harassment or humiliation – and can spread quickly through social media or group chats, due to the viral potential of video, in particular, on social media.

Advice for Parents & Educators

TEACH HOW IT WORKS

Explain to children that videos can be faked – and show them how. Demonstrating side-by-side examples of real vs AI-generated clips helps to build awareness. Discuss how faces, voices and even movements can be copied by machines. Understanding the technology reduces fear and builds confidence in navigating digital content safely.

TALK ABOUT TRUST

Always keep lines of communication open. If a child sees something upsetting or unbelievable, they should feel safe discussing it without judgement. Create an environment where they know they will not get in trouble for asking questions. This also helps you step in quickly if harmful content has been shared; trust is vital and needs to be nurtured.

ENCOURAGE CRITICAL QUESTIONS

Help children question what they watch. Who made this? Why was it made? Is it trying to persuade me? These habits encourage digital thinking, especially when videos seem too shocking or convenient. Reinforce that not everything shared by friends or influencers is true, even if it looks convincing at first, and that the initial approach should always be one of speculation.

STRENGTHEN PRIVACY SETTINGS

Advise children not to share voice notes, selfies or personal videos on public platforms. AI tools often scrape content from social media to create deepfakes. Use privacy controls to limit who can see their content and turn off facial recognition where possible. Fewer public images means fewer opportunities for misuse.

Meet Our Expert

Brendan O'Keeffe is a headteacher and digital education consultant with over a decade of experience in education. As Director of Digital Strategy across multiple schools and an advisor to The National College, he specialises in digital safety, PREVENT, and pastoral care.



#WakeUpWednesday

The National College

Personal Development Timetable

As a part of your child's education at Hodge Hill College, we promote personal well-being and development through a comprehensive Personal, Social, Health and Economic (PSHE) education programme.

PSHE education is the curriculum subject that gives young people the knowledge, understanding, strategies and practical skills to live safe, healthy, productive lives and meet their full potential.

Our PSHE programme is delivered through form-time activities to all year groups and through our Personal Development weekly lessons to pupils in Years 7, 8 and 9.

Please find below a table of topics pupils will be learning about in tutor time and Personal Development lessons:

W/C	Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11
5 January	Introduction to Puberty	What Changes Happen During Puberty?	Importance of Being Financially Independent	Healthy Relationships: Sexualisation of the Media	Drugs, Alcohol and Consent and Risky Behaviours
12 January	Personal Hygiene	What is FGM?	Money Management (Mortgages, Bills, Wages)	Healthy Relationships: Consent	What is Fertility? (Including Menopause)
19 January	Oral Health	Body Image and Young People	Money Management (Savings)	Healthy Relationships: Sexual Harassment	Pregnancy Safety
26 January	Importance of Healthy Eating	Keeping Yourself Healthy: Energy Drinks	Money Management (Debt)	Healthy Relationships: Toxic Masculinity	Decisions Around Unwanted Pregnancy
2 February	What is Social Health? (Reference to Loneliness)	Keeping Yourself Healthy: Dangers of Cigarettes and Vapes	What are Taxes?	Healthy Relationships: Dangers of Pornography	Difference Between Miscarriage and Stillbirth
9 February	What is Mental Health?	What is Mental Health?	What is Mental Health?	What is Mental Health?	What is Mental Health?

If you would like to discuss our Personal Development & Tutor Time curriculum, please email personaldevelopment@hodgehill.bham.sch.uk and a member of staff will be in contact to arrange a meeting.

REWARDS

EARN POINTS | CLAIM PRIZES | CELEBRATE SUCCESS!

Prize Drawer Entries

£40 Uber Eats Voucher Raffle Ticket (*Termly*)

25

Laptop Raffle Ticket (*Yearly*)

75

Game Console Raffle Ticket (*Yearly*)

100


Creative & Sports Equipment

Colouring Book	250	Table Tennis Bat	600
Water Colour Paint Set	350	Wilson Basketball	700
Felt Tip Pens	400	Nike Football	750
LEGO Technic Mercedes	600	£20 Amazon/Argos Voucher	750



Academic & Learning Supplies

Wobbly Fuzzy Head Pen	75	Book of Choice	250
Learning Wallet (<i>Empty</i>)	75	Calculator	400



Experience & Lifestyle

Free Breaktime Snack or Drink / Free Slush Pass


50

Jump the Queue Pass (*1 Day Only*)

75


Shadow SLT for the Day (*KS3 Only*)

400



Audio Rewards

Wireless Headphones	900	Bluetooth Speaker	1000
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SAVE YOUR POINTS OR SPEND THEM - THE CHOICE IS YOURS!

Detentions

Hodge Hill College operates a detention system. If your child is late, misbehaves or doesn't hand in their homework on time, they will be given detention at lunchtime or up to 30 minutes at the end of the day. You will usually get a text or an in-app message on [MyEd](#) to inform you. Please ensure your contact details are up to date. For more serious matters, staff can issue an hour's detentions after school without giving parents/carers notice.

What the Law Allows

- Teachers have the power to issue detention to students (aged under 18)
- Schools must make clear to students and parents/carers that they use detention (including detention outside of school hours) as a sanction
- The times outside normal school hours when detention can be given (the 'permitted day of detention') include:
 - any school day where the student does not have permission to be absent
 - weekends - except the weekend preceding or following the half-term break
 - non-teaching days – usually referred to as 'training days', 'INSET days' or 'non-contact days'
- Parental consent is not required for detentions
- As with any disciplinary penalty, a member of staff must act reasonably given all the circumstances

This guidance is available on the Government's [Behaviour in Schools](#) page.

Uniform & Standards

As part of the school's continued drive to improve standards, we would like all pupils to consistently adhere to the expectations on appearance, conduct and equipment. We are a professional environment and as such, we need all pupils to look smart, professionally conduct themselves and come equipped for their learning.

If a pupil does not meet the standards consistently, they will sit a 30-minute detention. We must have your support to raise our standards collectively. Please can we remind you that pupils are not permitted to wear nose studs and patterns and lines are not to be shaved into hairstyles or eyebrows.

If there are any problems in acquiring uniform, please contact the school and we will endeavour to work with you to address these issues. Such cases will be treated with due sensitivity and confidence.

Our full school uniform and PE kit list can be found on the [uniform page](#) of our website.

Year 11 After-school Tuition

We have introduced a comprehensive new tuition model to support Year 11 pupils' academic progress. Pupils requiring additional help are identified early through mock exams and subject-led assessments.

Teachers use focused tuition sessions to provide targeted support in small groups. There are dedicated after-school sessions each week for Maths, English, Science, and other core subjects. Those making significant progress can move out of the tuition program, while those who require further support may receive more intensive interventions with subject specialist teachers.

This multi-layered approach aims to collect and utilise data effectively, allowing teachers to adapt and personalise tuition to meet individual pupils' needs throughout the academic year.

This timetable is available on the [tuition page](#) of our website.

Extra-curricular Activities & Clubs

At Hodge Hill College, our enrichment and extra-curricular provision provides our pupils with a breadth and balance of activities designed to broaden their horizons, allowing them to develop their own interests and talents. The programme is an extension of the school's curriculum and builds on our CARE brand whilst instilling British Values.

We offer quality provision which provides our pupils with a number of opportunities to develop their resilience, character and performance. Our sports provision has continued to improve to develop pupils physically and mentally.

Please note, that all pupils must sign in at reception upon arrival for before-school sessions each morning.

More information and the activities timetable are available on the [extra-curricular page](#) of our website.



**DONATIONS
WELCOME**

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**TO REQUEST SUPPORT, KINDLY COMPLETE
AND SUBMIT THIS FORM: [HTTPS://BIT.LY/3UXZI4X](https://bit.ly/3UXZI4X)**

Zero Tolerance

Please note that Hodge Hill College operates a zero-tolerance policy about verbal and physical aggression.

If you become abusive towards a member of staff, we will need to:

- Close down any conversation and not speak with you any further
- Ask you to leave and come back another time
- If necessary, call the police for assistance

Please be respectful of our staff in the School Office team. They will do their best to help you but in a large school with several buildings, over 150 members of staff, and approximately 1200 pupils, they may not always be able to find out what you want to know or locate a member of staff immediately, so please be patient.

Is my child too ill for school?

We know that, at certain times of the year, children pick up bugs and illnesses. However, please remember that children can come to school with some illnesses if they feel well enough. The NHS guidance can be accessed online via the [NHS Guidance](#) page.

Medical Appointments During the School Day

In order to ensure that your child's learning is not disrupted, it is strongly recommended that non-urgent GP, dentist, or optometrist appointments are scheduled outside of school hours.

If your child has a hospital appointment or requires specialist medical care, please inform the school in advance. You can do so by sending a photo of the appointment letter via MyEd or by submitting it in person to the School Office. A copy of the letter will then be sent to your child's AC and AAC to authorise the absence.

Medication

As a parent or carer, it is your responsibility to provide the school with accurate and updated information regarding your child's medical needs. You should also be involved in developing and reviewing your child's individual healthcare plan.

If your child has any medical needs or needs to take medication during school hours, please visit the School Office to complete a Parental Medical Consent Form and drop off any medication that needs to be kept in school.

If your child has asthma, we highly recommend that they always carry an inhaler with them. Please provide us with an inhaler by dropping it off at the School Office in case of any emergencies, and completing the consent form.

Contact Details

Please remember to inform the school of any changes to your contact details.

This is important because we may need to contact you if your child is injured or taken ill, to provide you with information about trips and closures or to send you reminders and cancellations of any event.

Please update and submit any new details via the Change of Pupils Details Form on the MyEd app. Alternatively, you may visit the School Office to complete an electronic/paper copy of the form.

Confiscated Items

If a pupil has an item confiscated, their parents/carers can pick it up from the School Office after school on the same day between the following times:

- Monday: 16:10-16:45
- Tuesday to Thursday: 15:10-16:00
- Friday: 13:40-14:30

If parents/carers cannot collect it on the same day, they must pick it up on another day after school. Pupils are not permitted to collect the item.



B.Y.O.B

BRING YOUR OWN BOTTLE

As part of our move towards sustainability, single-use plastic cups are no longer available in school.

All pupils must take responsibility for bringing in their own reusable water bottles.

Reusable water bottles are available to purchase from West Office using money on ParentPay.

Key Stage 3 Assessment and Core Vocabulary Booklets

This term's assessment and core vocabulary booklets are linked below. These booklets feature key vocabulary that pupils will learn this term, along with definitions. They are organised by subject area for easy reference. This will support pupils in their comprehension and language development.

[Year 7](#)

[Year 8](#)

[Year 9](#)

Curriculum Handbook

You can find detailed information about the curriculum and the specific subjects and skills your child will be learning each year on the [curriculum page](#) of our website.

Our Community and the Cost of Living

Now more than ever, with the rising cost of living, many families are feeling the squeeze. As a school, we are actively seeking to do whatever we reasonably can to support our students and their families with these rapidly growing pressures.

We are continuing to open West Canteen to pupils every morning before school between 8:00am and 8:30am to provide a free breakfast including toast and hot drinks. Please encourage your child to attend this, particularly if they arrive early to school in the morning, as it is a supervised space with access to games and other activities.

If you are facing particular hardships, please feel free to get in touch with us here at Hodge Hill College at householdsupport@hodgehill.bham.sch.uk. All requests will be treated with the utmost confidentiality and we will look at what support we are able to practically provide.

Further information about support being provided by Birmingham City Council can be found on their [cost of living crisis](#) page on their website and this may be of use to you in signposting where you can get help, support, and advice if you are affected.

We have a second-hand store of pre-loved uniform items, all washed and ready if you need them. Please get in touch with the school at the email address above if you would like to take advantage of this.

Uniform Donations

Throughout the year, we kindly request your help in supporting other families in need. If your children have outgrown their old school uniforms, please consider donating them to the School Office. We will collect all donated uniforms and distribute them to pupils who would greatly benefit from them. Even a single donated item can make a significant difference.

We are happy to accept donations of new uniforms too. Whether gently used or brand new, your contributions are greatly appreciated.

Please make sure to wash any used uniforms before donating and ensure they are in good condition. You can send the uniforms with your child or drop them off at the School Office yourself. We appreciate anything you can provide to help clothe and equip pupils whose families are facing financial difficulties.

Together, we can ensure that all our students feel comfortable, confident, and ready to learn.

**MOMENTS
MATTER,
ATTENDANCE
COUNTS.**

Penalty Notices

From 19 August 2024, the new National Framework for issuing penalty notices will apply.

National Threshold

There will be a single consistent national threshold to consider if a Penalty Notice must be considered by all schools in England of 10 sessions (usually equivalent to 5 days) of unauthorised absence within a rolling 10-school week period.

These sessions do not have to be consecutive and can be made up of a combination of any type of unauthorised absence.

The 10-school week period can span over different terms and school years.

Penalty Notice Fines will continue to be issued per parent per child.

Example: 2 parents with 3 children would receive a total of 6 Penalty Notices

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First Offence

- £100 per parent, per child paid within 28 days
- Reduced to £60 per parent, per child if paid within 21 days
- Unpaid Penalty Notices after 28 days may result in a prosecution

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Second Offence (within 3 years of the First Offence)

- Where it is deemed appropriate to issue a second Penalty Notice to the same parent for the same pupil within 3 years of the first notice
- £100 per parent, per child paid within 28 days
- Unpaid Penalty Notices after 28 days may result in a prosecution

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Third Offence and any further offences (within 3 years of the First Offence)

- The third time that an offence is committed for either a term time holiday and/or irregular attendance, a Penalty Notice will not be issued, the case may be proceeded straight to prosecution under the Education Act 1996, Section 444
- If found guilty of the offence of "failure to secure their child's regular attendance at a school" the Magistrates can impose a fine of up to £1,000 and you will have a criminal record

Please Note

If you take any Leave of Absence PRIOR to 19 August 2024 (e.g. in July 2024) then the Penalty Notice will be at the old rate of £60/£120. Any Leave of Absence taken in or after September 2024 will be charged at the new rates as above.

Translate Our School Website Using Google Translator on Chrome

If you need help understanding information on our school's website, Google Chrome has a built-in translation feature that can translate the pages into your preferred language.

To use this, first make sure you have the latest version of Google Chrome installed on your device. Then navigate to our school's website and click on the three-dot menu icon in the top right corner of Chrome. Select **"Translate"** from the menu. This will bring up a sidebar where you can choose which language you want to translate the page into. Click on your desired language and Chrome will automatically translate everything on the webpage.

The translation may not be completely perfect, but it should help convey the key information and allow you to understand important updates from teachers or the school administration.

This feature works for dozens of popular languages - just select the one you feel most comfortable with.

Examples:

Arabic



Bangla



Chinese



Romanian



Polish



Urdu



Homework - Useful Links



[ClassCharts](#)



[MathsWatch](#)



[My GCSE Science](#)

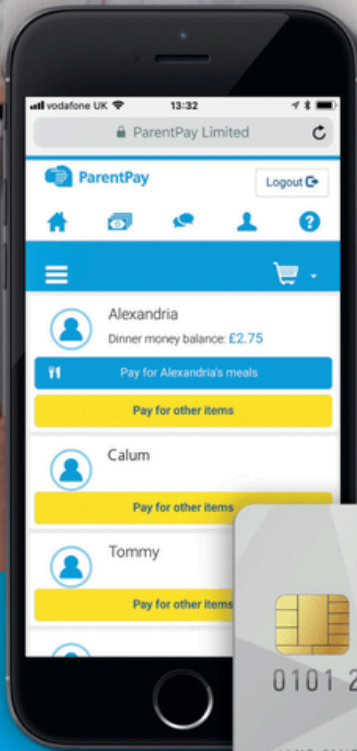


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can easily pay online for school
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