



HIGHFIELDS SCHOOL

Year 10
Welcome Presentation

Middle School - Welcome to Year 10



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Year 10 Form Tutors- Your first point of contact

The School Day

Years 10,11, 12 &13	
Period	Time
Tutor	8:30 - 8:50
1	8:50 - 10:30
2	
Break	10:30 - 10:50
3	10:50 - 12:30
4	
Lunch	12:30 - 13:05
5	13:05 - 14:45
6	
Years 12 & 13 only	
7	14:45 - 16:25
8	
<i>To include break at Staff discretion</i>	

- School will start at **8:30am**
- Students should aim to be on site no later than 8:20am
- Welcome on site at any time after **7:30am**.
- Breakfast will be available for students to purchase in the restaurant from **8:00 am**. Students can choose where to sit when they arrive in school
- All lessons are **50 minutes** long.
- 20-minute morning break and with Form at the start of the day

Form Time

- Form time is at the start of the day and will continue to facilitate our personal development programme.
- All students will attend Form time from **8:30am until 8:50am** daily.
- The Form Tutor will fulfil the essential role of caring for students; **crucially, monitoring and supporting their progress socially and academically.**
- The Form Tutor will support with academic mentoring and **personal development** encouraging high standards of work and behaviour.
- The Form Tutors will be active in looking after the interests of the **whole child.**
- **Weekly year group assemblies** will take place in the Lyceum.

Our School Day

- Lunch is **staggered** and **shorter**, this for Key Stage 3 and 4 for two main reasons:
 - The first to have **older students on lunch separately to the younger students** which will allow them to sit with their friends which they enjoyed last year.
 - The second to **accommodate a slightly earlier finish** which was also universally popular.
- The 2:45pm finish will give students far more time to participate in extra-curricular activities, either in school or out, as well as keeping on top of their homework.
- Students will be able to remain in school until **5:00pm** either in organised activities or just to catch up on any work if they wish.

Breaks & Lunchtime

- As with previous years food will be available to purchase in school please use **ParentPay** as normal to provide your child with the appropriate funds. Please ensure you check this weekly to ensure your child does not spend more than their budget.
- Designated areas for year groups to enjoy their lunchtime (**35 minutes**). Year 10 will have the middle floor.
- Students may prefer to bring their **own lunch** to school
- Students will use the central staircases only during lunchtimes.
- Students can go **outside** at breaks and during lunchtime if they so wish.
- The MUGA will be made available to take part in physical activity.
- All students will have access to the restaurant on the bottom floor to purchase hot meals.

Practicalities

- Students will need to bring their own equipment; a minimum of two black or blue pens, pencil, scientific calculator, ruler, glue stick and pencil case.
- The majority of classwork will be carried out using student laptops, so it is essential laptops are fully charged and brought in every day.
 - **digitalsupport@hswv.co.uk**
- PE Kit - Students will attend school in their **uniform** on the days they are timetabled PE they will change for their lessons. **No half and half, PE Kit and uniform. Students are in full uniform.**
- Please remember to label all your child's equipment, PE Kit and uniform with their name.
- It has been increasingly useful for students to have earphones to support their digital learning. We would ask that all students bring earphones (not headphones unless there is a specific learning need) to support use of their laptops in lessons. The use of these will be directed by the classroom staff and headphones/AirPods should not be worn outside of lessons.

Laptops: School Expectations

Thank you for supporting the laptop scheme which has seen a significant impact on students' learning and progress.

The expectations are:

- All students to have their laptop with them **every day / in all lessons / fully charged** (with exception of where prior notice should be given). If forgotten they should inform the Year Team.
- They should get their device open and **log into Office 365** as soon as they are in their Form room.
- All devices are to be **protected** by a laptop case / sleeve supplied or by their own case you have purchased.
- They **should not share** their laptop or login details for Office 365 with anyone other than their parent / carer.
- If a student has **damaged** their laptop, they or their parent/carer should contact digitalsupport@hswv.co.uk as soon as possible.

MCAS: Bromcom's parent/carer portal

All homework will be published on Bromcom which is accessible via the **MCAS App** along with other school information such as :

- Your child's timetable
- Your child's progress reviews
- Your child's homework
- Any after school clubs your child has signed up to
- Communications from school

And others to be rolled out...

my child at school.com Highfields School

Dashboard Homepage and Launchpad YOU ARE HERE: Dashboard

Timetable

What is [child] up to?

Period	Subject	Class	Teacher	Time
AM	Tutor Group	10J		08:0
1	Physics	101/Ph1	Mr B Mehmi	08:3
2	Physics	101/Ph1	Mr B Mehmi	09:2
T/B	Tutor	10J/Tu	Ms P Thomson	10:1
3	Product Design	10B/Tp1	Mr S France	10:5
4	Product Design	10B/Tp1	Mr S France	11:4
PM	Tutor Group	10J		13:0
5	Mathematics	101/Ma1	Ms H Jhamat	13:0

Announcements

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Clubs & Trips

No Clubs data found

Homework

Does [child] have homework?

Progress Reviews

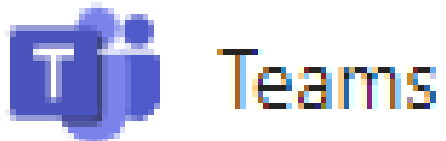
Published	Report
02/03/2022	Progress Review Year 10 (2021 - 2022 Spring 21/22)
01/02/2022	PR Yr 9 test, ADE (2021 - 2022 Spring 21/22)

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Further support on how to set up or use the portal can be found on the school web site >Parents>[Bromcom](#)

Office 365: Teams and OneNote

- As part of school's ongoing development of digital learning, students and staff will be using Office 365 applications called Teams and OneNote for classwork and homework more frequently.
- If you are unaware of these applications, think of OneDrive as an online exercise book and Teams as a virtual classroom for each of your child's subjects. More support on these can be accessed on the school website.
- **Any homework** that has been set in OneNote or Teams **will still be published by staff on Bromcom Student Portal and MCAS**



Key Dates & Extra Curricular

- **Year 10 Progress Review 1** w/c 23rd October 2023
- **Year 10 Parents' Evening on** 23rd November 2023 - Microsoft Teams
- **School exams** will take place in April and June.
 - Core exams 8th to 12th April
 - Option exams 24th to 28th June
- **Extra-curricular clubs** will be made available before and after school – departments will make you aware of the offerings at the start of term. The timetable will be published on the school website.
- **4Rs Revision workshop** w/c 5th February 2024
- **Work experience** preparations begin January 2024

Key Dates for 2023/24

Event	Dates
Progress Review 1	w/c 23 rd October 2023
Year 10 Parents' Evening	w/c 20 th November 2023
Progress Review 2	w/c 19 th February 2024
Careers Event	29 th January 2024
Progress Review 3 – Exam Results	w/c 13 th May 2024
Year 10 4 Rs Workshop	w/c 5 th February 2024
School Exams	April - Core June - Options

High Expectations of Students

Getting it Right in Middle School:

We have high expectations

- 100% attendance
- On time to school and lessons
- 100% focus in lessons
- Homework
- Good learner
- Good work Ethic
- Revision and preparation
- Good Organisation



Weekly Middle School Focus

Getting it Right in Middle School:

Week 1 - Uniform

- Jewellery – think one – studs only, no facial piercings
- Make-up, lashes, liner and nails.
- Skirt length
- Trainer – remove the tag
- Hair colours/extreme cuts - patterns
- Highfield PE Kit only – not half and half – no hoodies

Please refer to the Uniform Policy on the School Website



How can you support your child?

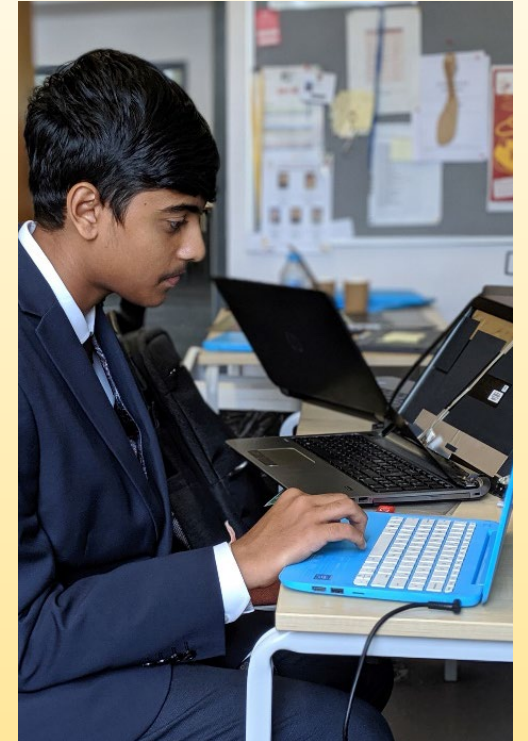


Preparation for Key Stage 4

- Partnership with school
- Know **target grades** and what students are working towards
- High expectations - don't accept excuses
- Take an active interest in their day
- Provide them with the resources they need to complete – a clear workspace at home
- Homework and independent study is to a quality standard
- Attendance matters - every lesson counts. Off school - catch up
- Reward and support



Work Experience



CEIAG webpage:

<http://www.hswv.co.uk/work-experience>

Work Experience guidance, Information Pack and
Booking Form
Search engine
Resources and useful websites

Careers Guidance

- Unifrog
- Highfields Careers' Fair
- The World Skills Show and Wolverhampton Skills Show
- College and University open days
- Apprenticeship talks
- National Careers Week
- Preparation for Work Experience.
- Career related trips and activities
- Individual mentoring
- Independent careers interviews
- Supported by the Careers and Guidance Team



The 4Rs



4Rs: Revisit



4Rs: Reduce



4Rs: Rehearse



4Rs: Retrieve

Revisit



Reduce



Rehearse



Retrieve



Spaced learning

Planning learning to revisit blocks of learning over time to improve long term retention of knowledge



Thank you for watching the Year 10 Welcome Presentation

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