



Hall Green School An Academy

31 January 2022

Dear Parent/Carer,

I am sure you will be aware, things continue to change regularly in terms of the pandemic. I aim to always keep you up to date with the latest measures in school via letter or email/text. As a reminder, my Headteacher letters can always be found on the website [here](#).

Latest change

- Masks are now optional in school. If pupils do choose to wear one, it must be a face mask and not a snood.

The following measures will continue and will be reviewed over the coming weeks:

- Remote assemblies
- Wearing PE kit on PE days
- Level of ventilation in classrooms

I do appreciate the level of changes over the last two years has made it difficult for some pupils to get into good routines and habits in school. Established routines help schools to run effectively and efficiently, enabling pupils to achieve their potential. Here at Hall Green School we are proud of our high standards that are maintained through consistently applied routines and systems, encouraging good habits amongst all of our pupils. As we continue to adapt following the pandemic, and return to 'normal', we continue to reintroduce and embed the tried and tested routines and habits that we know help pupils to be successful. High standards are key and thus our current foci are as follows:

Uniform

All pupils should be in full school uniform at all times. Please see our dress code [here](#). Pupils should wear school PE kit on PE days but when in uniform, they must be in black school shoes. Any pupil arriving to school without the correct uniform should see their Head of House prior to going to lesson to obtain a yellow slip.

'Ready, Respectful, Safe' (RRS) cards

Each pupil has an RRS card issued termly. The RRS card encourages positive behaviour from all pupils outside of lesson time and in respect of their presentation. Pupils with blank cards at the end of term receive 50 praise points on ClassCharts. We recommend pupils store the card in their bag so it is always on them whether they are wearing uniform or PE kit on that particular day.

Punctuality

Lessons start at 8.45 am in the morning. This requires pupils to be in classroom **by** this time. Punctuality to lessons throughout the day is monitored with sanctions in place for those that are regularly late. It is vital that pupils take responsibility across the school day, and particularly at the end of break and lunch to move promptly and quickly to where they need to be.

Please note that to encourage positive habits, praises are awarded when pupils get it right, but equally, there are a range of sanctions routinely applied to pupils who are not meeting our high standards:

- Incorrect uniform/lack of uniform - 20 minutes detention at lunch time
- Wearing PE Kit on incorrect day - 30 minutes after school detention
- Two lates to school in the morning in a two-week period - 30 minutes detention at lunch time (detention set on the second late)
- Late after 08.55 am in any given day - students are set a 30-minute lunch detention on the same day
- 3 lates to lessons in a week - 30 minutes detention after school
- 4 lates to lessons in a week - 60 minutes detention after school
- On punctuality report - 2 lates to lesson in a week - 30 minutes after school
- No RRS card - 60 minutes after school Friday.

Key dates

A full set of key dates for this term can be found on my last letter (<https://www.hallgreen.bham.sch.uk/wp-content/uploads/2022/01/Headteacher-Letter-20220114-1.pdf>). Please do note the early finish this coming Wednesday:

Wednesday 2 February – Pupils finish at 12.05 pm: Mandatory training for staff

I am incredibly proud of our high standards at Hall Green School and pleased that the vast majority of pupils display these at all times. We continue to ensure that our pupils have the best opportunities both in and outside of the classroom to develop them into successful, happy, and confident young adults, and I thank all parents/carers for their support in working with us to achieve this.

Yours faithfully

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