



HODGE HILL GIRLS' SCHOOL

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Dear Parents and Carers,

As the Assistant Headteacher for Behaviour and Standards at Hodge Hill Girls' School, I am writing to provide you with important information regarding our school's expectations and values ready for the new year.

We take great pride in our school community and the standards we uphold. As part of this, we have clear expectations around our school uniform. We expect all pupils to wear the correct uniform, including appropriate footwear, at all times. This not only helps to create a sense of belonging and identity within our school, but it also helps our pupils in developing a professional mindset and preparing them for the world beyond our school gates. If your child arrives to our School wearing the wrong uniform, we will loan them the correct items until necessary. Please note the school lanyard must be worn by pupils at all times. If your child has lost this, a replacement lanyard must be purchased at a cost of £1.30 via parent pay.

Please do visit our Uniform Policy on the School website as a reminder prior to buying new items of school uniform:

[Hodge Hill Girls School - Uniform](#)

Our school values of Partnerships, Respect, Inspiration, Determination, and Excellence are at the heart of everything we do. We expect all members of our school community, including our pupils and their families, to embody these values in their daily lives. By working together in partnership, we can ensure that our pupils are well-rounded individuals, strong in character, confident, and embracing British values.

Excellent attendance and punctuality are crucial for our pupils to make the most of their education and achieve their full potential. We expect all pupils to have an attendance rate of at least 96% and to arrive at school and all lessons on time, ready to learn. If your child is unable to attend school, please inform the school office as soon as possible and provide proof of any appointments that may lead to absence.

Social Media

In today's digital age, the impact of social media on our pupils' lives cannot be overstated. We understand that many of our pupils use social media platforms, both with and without permission, and we encourage you, as parents and carers, to monitor your child's usage very closely. Pupils are not permitted to use their phones in school. Mobile phones should be switched off and remain in school bags while on the school site, including the walkway to the gate on Bromford Road. If mobile phones are seen, they will be confiscated for parental collection. Please be reminded that our young people are able to access social media platforms via other devices such as laptops and iPads. Negative interactions and communication on social media can have a detrimental effect on peer relationships and we have found that they are often brought into the school setting. By working together to promote responsible social media use, we can help our pupils navigate this complex landscape and maintain a positive school environment.

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Please find below useful links to support you and your child when using and monitoring social media:

[Social Media & Mental Health | Guide For Parents | YoungMinds](#)

[What is social media? | NSPCC](#)

We are committed to providing the best possible education and support for our pupils, and we value the important role that you, as parents and carers, play in this process. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact the school.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours Sincerely,

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