

# Metropolitan Borough of Solihull

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Dear Parents

I am aware that there have been some unhelpful reports in the press recently and would wish you to be clear about arrangements here at Park Hall School from 2008. I will be Acting Headteacher for the foreseeable future and expect to lead the school through its next Ofsted inspection.

This is both an exciting and critical time for the school and one in which everyone has a part to play. There is a straight forward and clear expectation of Park Hall uniform which includes a black blazer for all students. After the Christmas break I expect every student to be wearing a blazer around school and in lessons, outdoor, coats may be worn whilst moving around outside on the school site, but should **not** be worn whilst in the classroom or in an assembly hall. Likewise hats and gloves are not to be worn in the building. Where routine items of uniform need replacing please check that what is bought fits in with the official school uniform list which is printed on the back of this letter as a reminder. This will avoid any potential waste of money should an inappropriate item be bought for a student.

Students are responsible for having the correct equipment to help them learn in the classroom. A new pencil case with pens, pencils, crayons etc may prove to be a useful last minute Christmas present.

The Spring Term starts on Monday 7 January at 11.25am with lesson 3. This is to allow staff time to meet with myself on the first day back and to organise their teaching areas for the start of what will be a very busy term. Punctuality is a highly valued element of daily life in the workplace and as such needs to be uppermost in the minds and attitudes of all students now. I would ask for your support in ensuring that your child leaves home in good time to get to school for 11.25am on 7 January and 8.45am on every other day when work here begins.

We have a small number of basic student expectations which when followed properly will lead to a happier more effective school. Students are to attend school and lessons punctually. Students are to work hard in lessons and not disrupt the learning of others. When these expectations are consistently met students learn more effectively.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish you and your families a very merry Christmas and a happy and healthy New Year.

Yours sincerely

Ann Green  
Headteacher

## ***The School Uniform***

### **Park Hall School Uniform - Girls**

All students are expected to wear a black blazer with the school badge and the school tie; royal blue and gold with even stripes in Years 7, 8 + 9, in Years 10 + 11 navy blue with the school badge.

#### **General Wear**

Shirt blouse with collar - white

Skirt - knee length - plain mid grey

Trousers - tailored regulation design - black

Long sleeved cardigan or v-neck pullover (fine knit) in Years 7, 8 and 9 - royal blue

Long sleeved cardigan or v-neck pullover (fine knit) in Years 10 and 11 - navy blue

Shoes - with heels not more than 1" high - black or brown. Trainers are not allowed.

Socks - white or tan coloured/black tights

Working apron for Design and Technology

A school rucksack can be purchased from school, otherwise students need a sturdy bag for equipment and books.

#### **Sports Wear**

##### **Games**

Polo shirt (Park Hall logo) - white

\*Black plain shorts (Y7-11)

White trainer socks

White football socks

Football boots

##### **Optional (Winter months only)**

"Tracksuit trousers/jogging trousers plain black

\*Black sweatshirt/jogging top

'Indicates a change of colour to black.

All students should wear the following protective equipment when involved in certain activities, in order to maximise their protection against any injury.

##### **Soccer**

- Shin pads
- Soccer boots (when playing on grass) Rugby
- Shin pads
- Gum shields

##### **Hockey**

- Shin pads
- Gum shields
- Soccer boots (when playing on grass)

**All protective equipment is recommended by the governing body of each sport. As a school we emphasise that both boys and girls should obtain and wear this protective equipment, as part of their sports kit.**

### **Park Hall School Uniform - Boys**

All students are expected to wear a black blazer with the school badge and the school tie; royal blue and gold with even stripes in Years 7 8 + 9, in Years 10 + 11 navy blue with the school badge.

#### **General Wear**

Shirt - white or grey

Trousers - dark grey - plain

V-neck pullover in Years 7, 8 and 9 - royal blue

V-neck pullover in Years 10 and 11 - navy blue

Socks - grey

Shoes - black or brown. Trainers are not allowed

Working apron for Design and Technology

A school rucksack can be purchased from school, otherwise students need a sturdy bag for equipment and books.

#### **Sports Wear Games**

Shorts (black) / football socks (blue)

Royal blue reversible Rugby jersey - Y7, 8, 9,10, 11

#### **Gymnastics**

White T shirt (Park Hall logo)

Black shorts

White socks

##### **Optional (Winter months only)**

\*Tracksuit trousers/jogging trousers (black)

'Indicates a change of colour to black

All students should wear the following protective equipment when involved in certain activities, in order to maximise their protection against any injury.

##### **Soccer**

- Shin pads
- Soccer boots (when playing on grass)

##### **Rugby**

Shin pads Gum shields

##### **Hockey**

- Shin pads
- Gum shields
- Soccer boots (when playing on grass)

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