



10th July 2023

Dear Parent/Carer

As we approach the end of this academic year, I would like to thank you for your continued support. It has been a busy and successful year.

We have continued as a school to develop our culture and ethos around the 4Rs to ensure that all our young people develop the skills and attributes to be positive role models in their communities, alongside their academic studies. We are acutely aware that we are preparing our young people for an ever-changing society, where the personal characteristics of being Respectful, Responsible and Resilient will stand them in good stead.

I hope you have enjoyed reading the Keeping in Touch newsletters which share the successes of our students and the array of events and opportunities they have been involved in

We are really pleased that Year 10 can take part in work experience next week and we wish them all the very best as they experience the world of work.

School will close on **Wednesday 19th July at 3.15pm** for summer holidays.

Arrangements for September 2023: The next academic year will start in our new school building. We are all very excited for the move and are looking forward to experiencing everything the new building can offer.

Students will return in September as follows:

- Thursday, 7th September 2023: Year 7, Year 11 and Year 13
- Friday, 8th September 2023: Year 8 and Year 10
- Monday, 11th September 2023: Year 9 and Year 12

All buses will arrive to the Tile Hill Lane entrance from September onwards. Nutbrook Avenue will only be used for pedestrian access.

A reminder that the school day from September will start at 8.40am and end at 3:15pm.

I have attached the 2023-2024 Term dates for your information, along with a reminder of the school uniform expectations. A school calendar for 2023-24 will be sent out to you later this week.

I know as parents/carers you will all be keen to visit the new school building. At the start of term, we have included an information evening for each year group.

I hope you have an enjoyable summer,

Sincerely

Ana Neofitou
Headteacher



2023/24 School Terms and Holidays

Term	Details	
Autumn Term 2023	Local Authority Training Day	Friday, 1 st September 2023
	Staff Training Days/ Moving Days	Monday, 4 th Tuesday, 5 th & Wednesday, 6 th September
	Term Starts	Thursday, 7 th September*
	Half Term	Monday, 30 th October to Friday, 3 rd November
	Staff Training Day (PDD)	Friday, 1 st December
	Term Ends	Thursday, 21 st December
	Staff Training Day (PDD)	Friday, 22 nd December
	Christmas Holiday	Monday, 25 th December 2023 to Friday, 5 th January 2024
Spring Term 2024	Staff Training Day	Monday, 8 th January 2024
	Term Starts	Tuesday, 9 th January
	Half Term	Monday, 12 th to Friday, 16 th February
	Term Ends	Friday, 22 nd March
	Easter Holiday	Monday, 25 th March to Friday, 5 th April
Summer Term 2024	Staff Training Day	Monday, 8 th April 2024
	Term Starts	Tuesday, 9 th April
	May Day Holiday	Monday, 6 th May
	Half Term	Monday, 27 th to Friday, 31 st May
	Staff Training Day	Friday, 5 th July
	Term Ends	Friday, 19 th July
	Staff Training Day (PDD)	Monday, 22 nd July



West Coventry Academy Uniform

Parents are informed of changes to the uniform policy in writing. Pastoral Leaders will inform parents of any difficulties. A supply of uniform is available to help where families feel the need. In addition to benefits, the school has access to help with school coats and school shoes. Contact the school for details. **All uniform should be clearly labelled with your child's name and tutor group.**

All students should wear the correct school uniform and should be neatly and tidily dressed at all times. They are expected to wear regulation school uniform travelling to and from school as well as in school. Students should be proud of their uniform and aware that they are representing their school when they are wearing it. Any non-uniform items will be confiscated and students not wearing correct uniform will be given spare, clean items to wear, sent home to change, or will be kept out of lessons until contact is made with home.

What is NOT allowed:

- Leggings, jeggings, treggings, capri pants or ankle grazers, skin tight or skinny fit trousers
- Denim, cord or jersey material, coloured buttons or zips
- Un-natural hair colour
- Any extreme hairstyles
- Caps or hats
- Jewellery – one pair of small stud earrings only, no other facial piercings
- The wearing of fashion contact lenses is prohibited, ONLY prescription lenses are permitted



Uniform Supplier:

All uniform is available from:

The Schoolwear Company,
55 Winsford Ave and

Andy Blair Sports & Schoolwear
Barker Butts Lane



- Black blazer (with school badge)
- Harrow Grey pleated skirt or trousers (not light grey or charcoal)
- Collared white shirt
- WCA tie
- Black school jumper with gold and grey piping or plain black V-necked jumper
- Salwar kameez or pinafore (in silver grey) worn with school shirt and blazer. Only suitable weight school fabric to be used. Trousers must be the same fabric as the kameez.
- Plain black headscarf (optional) white may be worn in the summer
- Black shoes (lace up or slip-ons) - trainers are not acceptable
- Plain black or white socks
- Plain black thick tights
- Warm, waterproof coat (worn over blazer) No hoodies, tracksuits, denim, fur or leather coats
- Make up to be kept natural and subtle.
- No false nails, no false eyelashes and no nail varnish



- Black blazer (with school badge)
- Harrow grey trousers (not light grey or charcoal)
- Collared white shirt
- WCA tie
- Black school jumper with gold and grey piping or plain black V-neck jumper
- Plain black socks
- Black shoes (lace-up or slip-ons) – trainers are not acceptable
- Warm, waterproof coat (worn over blazer) No hoodies, tracksuits, denim or leather coats





PE UNIFORM

Health & Safety rules for PE:

- Long hair to be tied back
- NO jewellery
- All valuables to be handed in before the lesson and locked away in the PE office. The school does not accept responsibility for valuables not given in for safekeeping
- No jumpers or blazers to be worn in PE lessons
- A change of socks is required for PE lessons

Important Notes: If your child does not have the necessary kit, they will borrow spare clean kit to allow an active part in the lesson with safety. If your child needs to be excused from their PE lesson for any reason, they must bring a letter from home but still bring in their kit. Unless there are exceptional circumstances, they will umpire and referee and will need PE kit to do this.

Parents are advised not to allow piercings in school time but to wait for the summer holidays to allow for the 6-week period when they cannot be removed, as students MUST remove jewellery for PE lessons.



Indoor kit:

West Coventry Academy polo shirt, plain black shorts (or skort), clean, non-marking trainers and black or white short socks

Outdoor kit:

- West Coventry Academy tracksuit top, plain black sweatpants or tracksuit bottoms. Trainers and black or white football socks
- Rugby/football boots (only moulded studs or trainers on AstroTurf)
- Shin pads

Swimming kit:

- one piece swimming costume, plus towel and swimming cap (for long hair). Goggles are optional

NO high tops, VANS or Converse pumps



Indoor kit:

- West Coventry Academy polo shirt, plain black shorts, clean non-marking trainers and black or white short socks

Outdoor kit:

- West Coventry Academy tracksuit top
- Plain black sweatpants or tracksuit bottoms
- Trainers
- West Coventry Academy rugby top
- Rugby/football boots (only moulded studs or trainers on AstroTurf)
- Shin pads

Swimming kit:

- Swimming trunks or fitted swim shorts
- Towel
- Swimming cap (for long hair)
- Goggles (optional)

NO high tops, VANS or Converse pumps