

# Hawkey Hall High School

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'The school's work to promote pupils' personal development and welfare is outstanding'. (Ofsted)

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Dear Parent/Carer

As we reach the end of the school year, I just wanted you share some key information with you and reflect on the year. The latest edition of the Hawkeye will be sent to you tomorrow morning and it reflects a snapshot of the many events and activities that have taken place during this term. It also reflects the achievements of individuals and groups of students. I also think it exemplifies the effort our staff put in to provide a broad and rich experience, inside and outside the classroom. I am also grateful to all of the parents who have contacted us in recent weeks to thank staff for their efforts. It is appreciated.

## Hawkey Values

As you know, the Hawkey Way is very important to our school. As I stated in my recent letter, the core values that underpin any organisation are vital as a guidance system for everyone in the community. This summer term I have asked staff, students, and parents to reflect on this. The alignment between those values highlighted by all three groups was extremely interesting. All three emphasised respect, kindness, and honesty from the broader list. I am especially grateful to the student ambassadors who articulated their reasons for their choices. Next term we will be spending significant time discussing and teaching these values with all our young people and staff. They also align directly with the values of the Rowan Learning Trust.

## Adjustments to session times during the school day

From September we will be adopting the new format of the school day trialled over the last three weeks. The response from staff and students has been overwhelmingly positive. Students have highlighted that they have particularly liked a shorter afternoon session and having a little more time during the first food break. In September, as the new food company takes over, we will endeavour to provide an even broader range of food during both food breaks as well as before school for breakfast (free porridge available to all!).

Therefore, from September the school day will be as follows

**08:40am – 9:10am Engagement Period**

**09:10am – 10:10am Period 1**

**10:10am – 11:10am Period 2**

**11:10am – 11:30am Food Break 1**

**11:30am – 12:30pm Period 3**

**12:30pm – 13:30pm Period 4**

**13:30pm – 14:00pm Food Break 2**

**14:00pm – 15:00pm Period 5**

## Bus Services

As you are aware, from September Finches will no longer be our service provider. Bus services across Greater Manchester are being franchised to the Bee Network, therefore our new provider will be Stagecoach. Pricing information has been set by the Bee Network and are as follows:

- With an IGO Card - £1 single, £2 return  
£7.60 weekly ticket  
£10 carnet (10 single trips)
- Any Bus Travel - £1 single, £2.50 return

All bus routes and timings currently are the same however we will notify you of any changes, please find information below of the route.

Hawkley Hall High School

**956 – Franchised from 1st Sep**

a. INWARD From Pemberton towards Hawkley Hall High School

**956 1 journey:** From PEMBERTON, Billinge Road/The Spinney via Billinge Road, Pemberton Road, Holmes House Avenue, Tan House Drive, Holmes House Avenue, Highfield Grange Avenue, Poolstock Lane, Carr Lane to HAWKLEY HALL HIGH SCHOOL.

**Route variations: INWARD From Winstanley towards Hawkley Hall High School**

**956 1 journey:** From WINSTANLEY, Holmes House Avenue/Paris Avenue via Holmes House Avenue, Highfield Grange Avenue, Poolstock Lane, Carr Lane to HAWKLEY HALL HIGH SCHOOL.

b. OUTWARD From Hawkley Hall High School towards Pemberton

**956 1 journey:** From HAWKLEY HALL HIGH SCHOOL via Carr Lane, Colby Road, Fulbeck Avenue, Warrington Road, Highfield Grange Avenue, Holmes House Avenue, Pemberton Road, Billinge Road, Enfield Street to PEMBERTON, Lidl.

**Route variations: OUTWARD From Hawkley Hall High School towards Winstanley**

**956 1 journey:** From HAWKLEY HALL HIGH SCHOOL via Carr Lane, Colby Road, Fulbeck Avenue, Warrington Road, Highfield Grange Avenue, Holmes House Avenue, Tan House Drive, Holmes House Avenue to WINSTANLEY, Holmes House Avenue/Paris Avenue.

**Building work and renovations**

As you are aware, during the academic year we undertook a significant project as we redeveloped H Block. This has now been completed and it has been amazing to see the students and staff working in the new workshops. The final piece of this work is the Construction outdoor canopy. This will hopefully be completed in the autumn. We have also redeveloped learning spaces, invested in new doors around the site and refurbished the lighting for the MUGA. In the summer, we are carrying out major work on A Block. The atrium will be fully replaced providing better natural light. We are also re-surfacing the netball courts, decorating in several blocks, and replenishing and updating IT services. We are also hoping to open a gym for students and staff during next term I hope to give you more information on this in September.

**B Block**

As you may be aware, the Rowan Learning Trust began at Hawkley in 2012 under the leadership of Roy Halford. Over the last 11 years the Trust has grown. Throughout that time its core team has always been based at HHHS and for the last 5 years has been based in the Training Suite (B Block). As the staff within the Trust has grown, they require more space, so they are moving to new premises in the local area. From September we will regain the building. This will allow us to implement a behaviour hub to support our learners, carry out mentoring and continue to provide a suitable environment to support young people that require additional interventions.

**Expectations – Uniform and Equipment**

In September we will be extremely focused on ensuring we get off to a good start to the new academic year. I cannot emphasise enough how a correct uniform, appearance and equipment helps ensure we can focus on learning and supporting our young people. Whilst the overwhelming our students always conform to our expectations, supported by families, we continue to deal with a small number of issues daily. This takes away valuable learning time for the students in question. When we return, I would appreciate your support in ensuring your child conforms to our expectations.

Please ensure that you read our policies carefully and ensure that your child returns to school with the correct equipment of a school bag, basic equipment and has the correct uniform. If they do not, it will be challenged, and parents contacted. It is a parental responsibility to work with the school to ensure that these expectations are applied.

As I regularly emphasise, we have recycled significant amounts of uniform in the last two years. If you have uniform that your child no longer needs that is still fit for use, please give it to us and we will wash and

repurpose it. If you require support with the purchase of uniform, please contact us [s.lord@hhhs.net](mailto:s.lord@hhhs.net). We will have a recycling box in reception until the middle of August. During the next academic year, we will be conducting a review of uniform and we will consult with students and yourself about any potential changes.

### Arbor Information Management System

In the new academic year school will be moving to a new communication system. The new system is called Arbor and will allow us to bring all our current systems of payments and communication into one log in. This will make it significantly easier for parents with just one log in. There will be more information to follow in the new academic year.

### 3 Peaks Challenge

I would like to make you aware of a staff charity challenge taking place in September. Almost 30 staff are attempting to complete the 24m Yorkshire 3 Peaks Challenge in 12 hours, taking in the peaks of Pen-y-gent, Whernside and Ingleton. We are walking to support the charity Papyrus, working to reduce suicide amongst young people. If you could possibly support this effort, we would be extremely grateful for your support. If you could make any donation at all to this worthy cause you can do so through the following link

[https://www.justgiving.com/page/hhhs3peakschallenge?utm\\_source=copyLink&utm\\_medium=one\\_page&utm\\_content=page/hhhs3peakschallenge&utm\\_campaign=pfp-share&utm\\_term=54aa1dac9f6a469e89103aa17b49224](https://www.justgiving.com/page/hhhs3peakschallenge?utm_source=copyLink&utm_medium=one_page&utm_content=page/hhhs3peakschallenge&utm_campaign=pfp-share&utm_term=54aa1dac9f6a469e89103aa17b49224)

### Sports fixtures


From September I wanted to bring to your attention a change in expectations regarding spectators at school fixtures. From September no students will be permitted to be spectators at school fixtures unless they are the sibling of one of the players and accompanied by a parent. Please ensure your children respect this request. Unfortunately, a very small number of students spectators have not behaved appropriately at recent fixtures. This has left me with no choice but to introduce this expectation.

### September return

On Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> of September, students will return to school. As always, we will have a staggered start as follows. The new Year 7 and Year 11 should arrive at 8.40 for a 8.45 start. Year 8,9 and 10 should arrive at 10 am for a 10.10 am start please.

As we come to the end of the academic year, I want to thank all the 180 staff that have worked extremely hard to ensure we provide the best provision that we can, supporting our young people to be the best they can be. I would also like to thank the Rowan Learning Trust and the governing body, who give up so much of their time to support the school and challenge us to improve. Finally, I would like to thank you, the parents and carers for your kindness, support, and feedback over the course of the year. One of our ambitions is to remain the school of choice for the families and young people living in the locality. This can only be achieved with your support, in partnership with the school.

Yours Sincerely



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