



# Hargate News

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Friday 7 September 2018

Dear All

Welcome back. I hope that you had a good summer. You have probably noticed that our school has been improved for our children over the summer. At Hargate we keep moving forward. Our children deserve the very best.

The children look great and very smart in their uniforms. Our expectations are very high in terms of behaviour, uniform and EFFORT and these have been shared with the children again this week.

Could I ask parents NOT to park on the Ambulance Station. This is private property and using their site to park/manoeuvre can result in ambulances and ambulance staff getting blocked. This could delay an ambulance with horrible consequences for someone. It could be a member of your family.

I know parking is difficult but I just want to keep the children safe. Please consider walking or parking a little further away from the school on a surrounding road (not Bernard Street, Tantany or Hargate Lane).

Looking forward to another successful year at Hargate filled with hard work and fun. Please email if you need.

Mr Orgill

[Headteacher@hargate.sandwell.sch.uk](mailto:Headteacher@hargate.sandwell.sch.uk)

## Attendance

**Our school attendance for the last academic year was 96.0%.**

The Local Authority have strengthened the procedures for applying for leave of absence during term time. Leave can only be granted in exceptional circumstances.

New forms will need to be completed and these can be collected from school office. Our criteria still applies. Only if your child(ren) has attendance of 95% or above will be invited to meet with Governors.



## Uniform

I am proud of our children and very proud of how smart they look. This was commented on by Her Majesty's Inspector in the Ofsted report. It's important that we have high expectations for our school and to prepare children for their (bright) future.

### **Girls**

Dark Grey/Black skirt, pinafore or trousers  
White blouse or white polo shirt  
Navy sweatshirt or cardigan  
White socks or grey tights  
Dark blue checked dress in summer (optional)  
Black Shoes

### **Boys**

Dark Grey/Black trousers or shorts  
White shirt or white polo shirt  
Navy sweatshirt  
Black Shoes

### **Religious garments (including head scarves)**

These should follow school colours of either dark blue or white

### **P.E. Kit**

Plain white T shirt  
Dark blue or black shorts  
Plimsolls

**Uniform is very important to us and this includes appropriate hairstyles**

**PLEASE ENSURE YOUR CHILD'S NAME IS CLEARLY LABELLED IN THEIR UNIFORM**

## Term Dates for the Academic Year 2018/19


***Monday 3 September 2018 — Friday 21 December 2018***

***Autumn Term***

***Monday 29 October - Friday 2 November***

***Half Term***

***Children return to school on Monday 5 November 2018***

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| <p>Dates for your<br/>Diary</p>  | <p><b>13 September - Year 6 Swimming (6 week course every Thursday)</b></p> <p><b>14 September - School Photographs - Portraits</b></p> <p><b>21 September - 4JW to West Bromwich Library</b></p> <p><b>28 September - 3TW to West Bromwich Library</b></p> |
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### Year 7 Admission Workshops

We have arranged for two parent workshops to take place to assist you with your Year 7 application. **The closing date for applications will be 31st October 2018**, all applications will need to be made on-line.

The workshops will take place on the following dates:

|                               |               |
|-------------------------------|---------------|
| <b>Wednesday 12 September</b> | <b>9.00am</b> |
| <b>Wednesday 19 September</b> | <b>2:00pm</b> |

We look forward to seeing you at one of these sessions.



## Summer Reading Challenge



Hargate Summer Reading Challenge has been held over the summer break!

**Closing date for completed cards**  
**Monday 10 September 2018**



### Late/Non Collection Policy

Late/Non Collection at the end of the school day or club the Governing body at Hargate have increased the charges for late collection.

If a child is NOT collected within fifteen minutes of the end of the school day or after school activity a charge of £10.00 will be made to the parent/carer for up to 30 minutes of non-collection and then £20.00 thereafter for each fifteen minute period that the child is not collected. The parent will be issued with an invoice and expected to pay within the date set on the invoice. Failure to pay will lead to further action being taken.

**Could I just remind you all that we expect parents, carers and visitors to be courteous and respectful towards staff (me included). We expect this of children so we certainly expect it of grown-ups. You should also expect our staff to be courteous and respectful to you.**

**It is not appropriate to be aggressive, rude or threatening. This includes shouting aggressively to any member of staff. This behaviour could result issuing a ban, though Sandwell LA legal department, from the school premises.**

**VIOLENCE, PHYSICAL AGGRESSION, THREATS AND VERBAL ABUSE ARE UNACCEPTABLE. THE SCHOOL STAFF STRIVE TO TREAT VISITORS WITH DUE CARE, COURTESY AND RESPECT. OUR STAFF EXPECT THE PUBLIC TO SHOW THE SAME COURTESY AND RESPECT.**

**IN THE EVENT OF SUCH INCIDENTS ACTION WILL BE TAKEN BY SANDWELL MBC AND IF APPROPRIATE BY THE POLICE AND LEGAL ACTION WILL BE PURSUED.**

### Sport at Hargate

New sports club start next week, letters have been issued for you to register your child's interest.

**Children will bring home a letter to confirm they have been issued a place.**

Clubs will be taking place on the following days.

| Day              | Club      |                      |
|------------------|-----------|----------------------|
| <b>Monday</b>    | Year 4-6  | Boys Football        |
|                  | Year 1-2  | Gymnastics           |
| <b>Tuesday</b>   | Year 5-6  | Dodgeball            |
|                  | Year 3-4  | Judo                 |
|                  | Year 4-6  | Girls Football       |
| <b>Wednesday</b> | Year 1-2  | Multi Sports         |
|                  | Year 5-6  | Yoga                 |
| <b>Thursday</b>  | Year 5-6  | Athletics            |
|                  | Year 3-6  | Development Football |
|                  | Year 5-6  | Cross Country        |
| <b>Friday</b>    | Reception | Multi Skills         |