

MIDDLEWICH HIGH SCHOOL ASPIRE - BELIEVE - BELONG

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Dear Parents/Carers

I am writing to you firstly to say how delighted I am that you have chosen us as your Secondary School. We feel very privileged that you have trusted us to take your family through the next stage of education. *Excellence in learning – achievement for all* is achieved when school and home work together in partnership. I am excited to begin our 5-year journey together, living our values of 'Aspire, Believe and Belong'. In this letter, I will outline the key information regarding our transition process.

Over the summer term, our transition team will be meeting with Year 6 teachers, SENDCO and safeguarding leads to ensure that we have all the information we need to ensure a smooth start for each student in September.

We have planned our new intake days for the Wednesday 2nd and Thursday 3rd of July, with our new intake evening planned for Tuesday 24th June 18:00-19:00. The purpose of these events is to allow students to experience secondary school, have a little time with tutors, teachers and the support team, as well as to familiarise themselves with the site. On the new intake evening we will support you with school uniform, biometrics and help you to familiarise yourselves with key staff. We will send out further details about these events in due course - please save the dates!

Tutor Groups

As part of our transition work with primaries, we take care to get to know as much about our students as possible. From this information, we will place your child into a tutor group. During the Transition Evening on Tuesday 24th June your child will meet their form tutor.

SEND

Part of our usual transition process is to ensure we gather information about students and their individual needs. This is a thorough process, which involves discussions and visits to your child's primary school and any other agencies working with your child. As part of our staff INSET we ensure that staff are clear on student plans and EHCP provision. All of our staff receive regular training throughout the year on how to support SEND students appropriately, ensuring quality first teaching for all. This ensures all students are able to access the curriculum, all students make progress and that all our students are successful.

School Uniform

Please see below the uniform expectations:

- Grey blazer with school badge
- Black school trousers, tailored in style and not jeans or skinny fit. Leggings are not allowed.
- Students may also wear a grey skirt. The skirt is a particular style and can only be purchased via the school supplier.

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- In the Summer months the school trousers can be replaced with black tailored shorts
- A white shirt with top button to collar in a standard style
- A school tie with silver and blue stripe
- Black tights or black/white socks (must be worn below the knee)
- Black leather type shoes (not boots or training shoes). No dangerous high heels or canvas footwear will be allowed. It should be noted that reasonably robust school shoes are desirable for safety reasons.
- School jumper (optional). This does NOT replace the blazer but can be worn underneath it. (No other jumpers or sweatshirts are permitted).

PE Kit

- PE T-shirt
- PE socks
- Choice of PE bottoms (skort/shorts/tracksuit/leggings)

Additional items such as ties can be purchased from reception for £9 for a clip-on, or £8 for a traditional tie, badges for £1.50.

The following compulsory items can be purchased from our supplier: School blazer, school skirt, school tie, PE T-shirt, PE socks and one choice of PE bottoms (skort/shorts/tracksuit/leggings)

Compulsory items that can be sourced independently: white shirt, black trousers, black shoes

All our orders will be taken online using Sportswear International (SWI). Please note, to ensure delivery before September for uniform, orders have to be placed with Sportswear International Ltd by Thursday 1st August 2025. Orders over £75.00 are free P&P. For orders under £75 there is a charge of £4.50 P&P. If you order a size that does not fit, the company runs a full exchange service.

All uniform information can be found on our website. Please select the 'Parents' menu from the top of the website page. 'Uniform guidance' is at the bottom of the drop-down list, then the link to order from SWI is at the bottom of the page.

Further Information

In due course, we will be sending out further packs of information. Our Transition Evening will take place on Tuesday 24th June at 18:00. I hope that you have found this information useful. Please direct any other questions to our admin email <u>admin@mhs.school</u>

We are very much looking forward to working with you all and I look forward to meeting you and your child at the transition events.

Yours faithfully

Lydia Naylor Headteacher

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