



Dear Lord,

Thank You for this special transition day, a day of new beginnings and exciting adventures.

As we take this big step into our new secondary school today, we pray that you walk
beside us with love and courage.

Calm any nerves we feel and help us to see how capable and truly special we are. Let us
know that we are not alone – that we are supported, loved and ready for this next
chapter in our lives.

May we all be brave and given confidence as we meet some of our new teachers,
kindness as we make new friends and curiosity as we explore new subjects and
experiences.

Bless our new teachers and school. May St John Wall be a place of welcome, growth, joy
and learning. And may we all return to our primary schools with stories of excitement and
hope for the future.

Keep us safe, calm, and happy today,
And help us remember that You are always with us.

Saint John Wall

Pray for us

Amen

Mission Statement



Staff vocation to:
Latin origin: Educare – to
nourish, to bring up.
Educere – to lead forth, to
draw out

*A Catholic School for All,
inclusivity, diversity, family,
community*

Safeguarding, emotional
coaching, well-being,
standards and expectations

***To educate each and every unique child in our care
to hear and respond to what God calls them to be.***

Values and attitudes,
spiritual,
moral,
social,
cultural,
British

Skills, knowledge,
qualifications, gifts, talents

Vocations, future,
end points, next
stages

Catholic School For All

Steps to Success



Excellence

Are you making an excellent contribution to society?

The common good
Option for the Poor

Intentional and prophetic
Faithfilled and hopeful
Generous and grateful



Achievement

Are you using your gifts and talents to achieve your potential?

Dignity of work and participation

Learned and wise
Attentive and discerning
Curious and Active



Respect

Are you showing respect to yourself, others and the environment?

Dignity
Peace
Solidarity
Care for Creation

Compassionate and loving
Eloquent and truthful



SJW Values

Class charts in
recognition of these
values



Used in our day to day
language

Promote these
universal values in all
that we do

Catholic Life in action



Autumn Term	Spring Term	Summer Term
Mass	Epiphany Mass	Resurrection Mass
Advent Reconciliation Christmas Service	Ash Wednesday Lent Reconciliation Easter Service	Witness Week End of term services

Daily prayer

Each day begins with prayer led by pupils in their form room or by their Head of Year in the hall (Celebration of the Word)

Each day has a prayer at lunchtime for the whole school.

Each day ends with an afternoon prayer at 3.05pm on Teams with the whole school community.

Personal Development and Catholic Ethos



- Pupil Leadership and Prefects
- Charity groups
- Community activities
- Use of the Chapel during break and lunch
- Residential Trips
- Worship/Vocation Days
- Visiting speakers
- Daily Collective Worship or reflection
- Mass
- Careers/Vocation advice
- Class Mass & services
- House competitions
- Form Prayer
- Enrichment activities
- Cultural Heritage Day
- Family Life Education
- Planning & leading services



Structure of the Day



Time	Lesson
8:20am	School Gates Open
8:45am – 9:15am	Form time / Celebration of the Word
9:15am – 10:30am	Lesson 1
10:30am – 10:50am	Break
10:50am – 12:05pm	Lesson 2 Including lunchtime prayer
12:05pm – 12:40pm	Lunch
12:40pm – 1:55pm	Lesson 3
1:55pm – 3:15pm	Lesson 4

Uniform at Saint John Wall Catholic School



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PE Kit at Saint John Wall Catholic School



Optional PE kit



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Please Remember:-

- **YES** to knee length school skirts
- **YES** to school trousers
- **YES** to sensible black school shoes
- **YES** to plain school coats (no logos!)
- **YES** to school bags for equipment
- **YES** to school blazers (essential!)
- **YES** to school badge
- **YES** to school ties (essential!)
- **YES** to correct PE kit
- **YES** to ONE small plain gold or silver stud in each ear, in the lobe and no other part of the ear



Uniform at Saint John Wall Catholic School



Please Remember:-

- **NO** to facial piercings and jewellery
- **NO** to fashion belts
- **NO** to TRAINERS or 'trainer-like shoes'
- **NO** to jeans, hoodies and black jumpers
- **NO** to pouches/belt bags or metal combs
- **NO** to black pumps or plimsolls
- **NO** to tattoos and false nails
- **NO** to fashion/skinny trousers
- **NO** to short skirts/very long skirts
- **NO** to boots that are higher than the ankle
- **NO** Skirts with slits/tight fashion or stretchy skirts/zips at the back
- **NO** Baseball caps or headwear unless it is a headscarf



Behaviour Contract



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Behaviour Contract 2025 - 2030

Name: _____ Form: _____

Excellence:

I will actively participate in the Catholic Life of the school.

I will be faith-filled and hopeful during any liturgical events.

I will take responsibility for my learning, asking for help when I need it.

I will be attentive and discerning and try my best, including completing homework and attending interventions.

I will be learned and wise, by attending school every day on time by 8.50am.

I will ensure I have the correct equipment, uniform and PE kit.

I will try to receive positives for excellent effort, attitude and behaviour.

Achievement:

I will be curious and active by engaging in all lessons, joining extra-curricular and enrichment activities.

I will respect the dignity of each and every child and staff member by showing appreciation for other people's culture, race, feelings, beliefs and values. This means I will avoid any racist, homophobic, sexist or other offensive language.

I will care for the building, equipment, IT resources and school grounds.

I will be eloquent and truthful, communicating politely to everyone in school, following instructions of any staff member without argument.

Respect:

I will not bring to school expensive items, including mobile phones and earphones. I will not bring to school any banned items.

I will not bully, tease or insult other pupils in any way.

I will never let poor behaviour affect my learning or disrupt anyone else's learning.

I will never be involved in anything on the way to school or home from school, which would let myself or the school community down.

I will always follow the Three Steps to Success for excellence, achievement and show respect to myself, my peers and all staff.

I understand that I will receive consequences should I not follow this behaviour contract.

I agree to follow this behaviour contract with _____ at Saint John Wall Catholic School

ACTIVE
 SJW
 Signed: _____ Date: ____/____/____

HOME SCHOOL AGREEMENT

Our school will...

- Endeavour to fulfil our mission to 'educate each and every child to hear and respond to what God calls them to be'
- Provide a Catholic ethos with Christ at the Centre, where children can foster their own values, alongside the SJW values and Catholic Social Teachings.
- Provide your child with a broad and balanced curriculum, based on national and Diocesan guidelines, including Religious Education as a compulsory core subject.
- Provide a safe, stimulating and challenging learning environment that promotes personal, social, spiritual, moral and academic development.
- Implement policies and strategies to promote positive behaviour, safety and wellbeing within a caring, Catholic ethos.
- Celebrate your child's academic and personal achievements in order to encourage them to discover their gifts and talents and achieve their full potential.
- Meet the Archbishop's Directives of two daily acts of worship, and 10% RE time per year group.
- Provide opportunities for spiritual development including roles in leadership and chaplaincy.
- Provide a culture and sense of belonging and inclusion through our tutor system, house system, SEN/EAL support, St Thomas Aquinas Centre and St Francis Centre.

I, as a parent/carer will...

- Ensure active participation and support for the school's Catholic ethos, and work with staff to encourage a positive attitude towards my child's education and the school.
- Make sure that my child arrives at school every day by 8.50am, communicating promptly any reason for absence/lateness.
- Make sure that my child is wearing full school uniform and that their full PE kit is brought into school following their timetable.
- Support the homework policy of the school by ensuring my child completes all compulsory homework including preparation for assessments and examinations and encourage them to complete development homework.
- Let the school know of any concerns or worries that may be affecting my child's learning, behaviour or ability to do homework, so this can then be resolved quickly, as well as where your child is living.
- Support the school and my child's education by paying the contribution money for resources in Design Technology, and if my child has peripatetic music lessons, pay the contribution for these.
- Support the school by encouraging my child to develop a positive attitude towards our diverse Catholic School for All.
- Support and agree to the behaviour management policy, safeguarding policy, and other policies of the school, and ensure my child meets the school's expectations.
- Make sure my child attends any interventions before or after school, including after school revision in year 11.
- Endeavour to provide a safe, secure and happy environment at home for my child, acknowledging that they learn at home.
- Attend parent meetings including parents' evenings/afternoons, and any behaviour and attendance meetings to maintain strong and effective communication with the school.
- Download and access regularly the MCAS (My Child at School) app and Class Charts app, the school website, and read and respond to all the information communicated to me.

Rewards and Sanctions



Rewards

- Positive points
- Prizes
- Praise postcards
- Trips
- Reward events

Sanctions

- Negative points
- Detentions
- Reports
- Behaviour process
- SFC

Attendance and Punctuality



Regular school attendance is always of the greatest importance. It is also a matter of law that a child attends school every day.

Almost all pupils who attend well, leave school with qualifications that will help support their future training and employment.

0 days off school	100%	Perfection
Equates to 2 days off school each year	99%	Good
Equates to 5 days off school each year	97%	Satisfactory
Equates to 10 days off school each year	95%	Concerned
Equates to 20 days off school each year	90%	Very Concerned
Equates to 30 plus days a year	Less than 90%	Severe/Persistent Absence

Attendance and Punctuality



School begins at 8.45am each day. The school site is open from 8.20am, where breakfast will be available from the canteen.

Punctuality:

If a pupil arrives after 8.50am, they will have to enter via the front door (reception) and sign in. Each time your child is late they will receive a 15 minute break time detention on the same day.

If your child is late 7 times or more during a half term they will join the Punctuality Programme- this means a break time detention of 15 minutes and a 30 minute intervention session after school on the same day. If they complete 4 weeks with no lates, they can successfully come out of the the punctuality programme.

Pupils are expected to be punctual for every lesson – failure to be on time will lead to a negative at the end of each day for punctuality.

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Reporting an absence:

If your child is absent, it is your responsibility to report this as soon as possible on the first morning of absence. Parents/carers should ring the school on **0121 554 1825** or email **attendance@sjw.bham.sch.uk**. Parents/carers are also asked to provide a signed and dated note or medical evidence when your child returns detailing dates and nature of illness. Holidays during term time will **not** be authorised.

Safe and well checks:

It is vital that we work together to ensure your child is in school. Should absence of pupils present a problem, two members of the staff will visit the home to try to ascertain the reason for absence and complete a safe and well check. This will be completed on day 3 of absence if we have not had any contact with parents/carers and on day 5 of absence for those we have heard from. Any child on the Safeguarding list specifically coded red who is absent will receive a phone call on Day 1, and a home visit on Day 2 if no news.

Safeguarding



Safeguarding pupils is a priority at Saint John Wall.

There may be occasions where the Safeguarding Team contact you regarding a concern about your child.

It may be necessary on certain occasions for the Safeguarding Team to seek advice and make referrals with or without parental consent.

The school works closely with West Midlands Police and Birmingham Children's Trust.

Curriculum



At Key Stage 3 & 4, pupils have four core subjects:

- **RE**
- **English**
- **Maths**
- **Science**

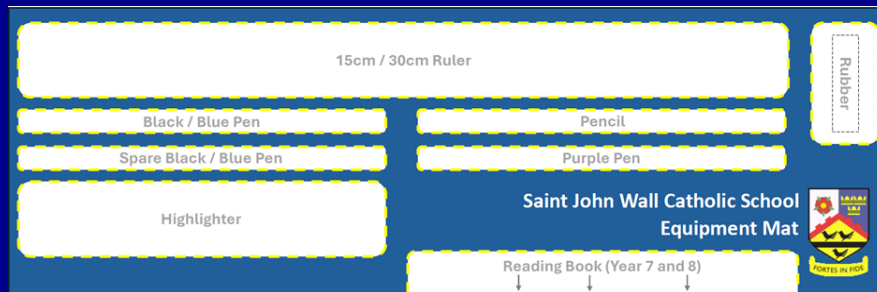
All pupils also attend core PE lessons.

In addition, Key Stage 3 (Year 7 & 8) pupils will study:

- **History**
- **Geography**
- **A language**
- **Computing**
- **Performing Arts (Music and Drama)**
- **Art and Technology**

Pupils also have Lifestyle lessons which cover topics from the PSHE, RSHE framework.

Equipment



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Email: enquiry@sjw.bham.sch.uk
Website: www.sjw.bham.sch.uk

Maximise your learning time:
Bring your equipment to school!

You need...



2 x Black pens

1 x purple pen

1 x pencil

1 x ruler

1 x eraser

1 x highlighter

Clear pencil case

School bag



Learning at home



Weekly Core English & Maths:

Maths and English set weekly homework online using online platforms 'Bedrock' (English) and 'Sparx' (Maths).

AR programme - students are expected to read at home and change their books every 2 weeks in the library after the successful completion of a reading test.

Homework will be set to encourage independent study and memory retention skills.

Development homework is an opportunity to foster a love of learning and independent study. Pupils can access a range of homework tasks via the school website at any time and will be rewarded by subject teachers.

Examination homework is compulsory. It is revision work in preparation for the calendared assessments. Examination homework booklets will be distributed to pupils 4 to 6 weeks prior to their assessments. Pupils should complete work and bring the booklets into lessons to be monitored.

House System



Please purchase a school tie in your child's house colour.

Form Group	Teacher	House
7HEA	Mrs Heathcote	Martin Luther King
7HEW	Ms Hewett	Gandhi
7RAH	Mr Rahman	John Paul II
7AHM	Mr Ahmed	Mandela
7ESM	Mr Esmaili	Pankhurst



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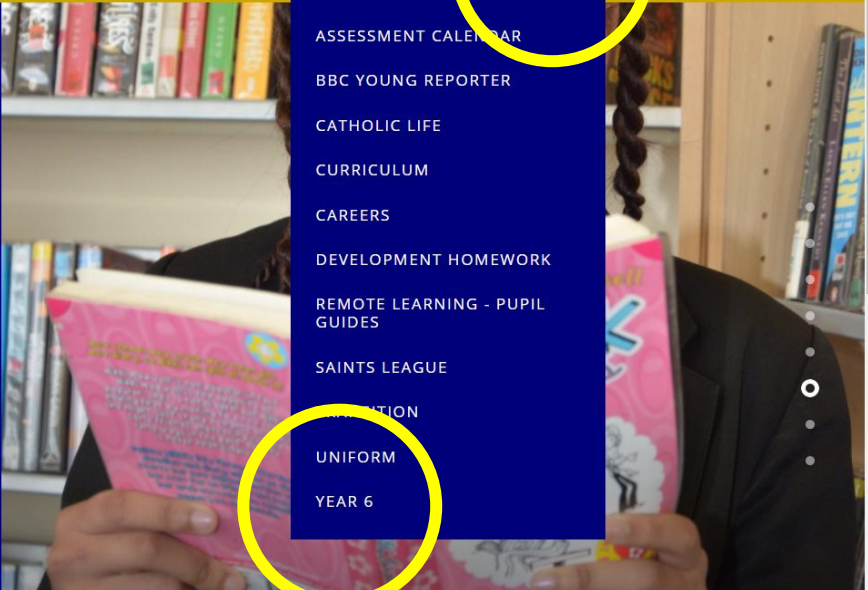
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Communication



- Guide for parents document
- MCAS and ClassCharts app – messages and letters
- Weekly bulletin and monthly newsletter on school website
- Parents afternoons
- No unplanned visitors, please contact school to arrange an appointment
- wellbeing@sjw.bham.sch.uk
- 2 way relationship - 0121 554 1825

Key Staff



Mr Holder
Headteacher



Miss McKenzie
Deputy
Headteacher



Mr Price
Assistant Headteacher
DSL



Miss Reynolds
Head of Year 7 and
Transition



Miss Timmins
Inclusion Quality of
Education Lead
DDSL



Ms Hanson
Attendance Officer



Any questions?
Please speak to one of the
members in staff here.