



It has been another busy week at school; Year 10 and 12 have returned from a huge variety of different work experience placements and are adjusting to being the 'oldest' in the school. A number of them were also back in school on Wednesday evening with their parents and carers to look at the 'Year Ahead' as they prepare for Year 11 and Year 13 from September - [Year 10 Year Ahead Evening Presentation](#). Year 12 enjoyed a UCAS visit to the NEC to learn more about their post-16 opportunities, and a number of our SEND learners had a great day at Tipton Sports' Academy for a 'Have a Go' session where they experienced a number of different activities; a number of Year 10 SEND learners had a fantastic morning at Dunstall Racecourse learning about careers opportunities. It was lovely, too, to see so many of our Year 11s back in school today (Friday) for their Sixth Form induction before heading out on a visit to Aston University and 'Escape Live'. We had a second transition activity for our Year 6 SEND learners as they visited us on Wednesday afternoon, taking part in learning linked to Languages, Science and Music; it was also really nice to welcome many of their parents and carers into school for a 'Question and Answer' session with our new Year 7 Year Team too.

Sports' Day is nearly upon us and you will find a detailed letter later in the eZine about arrangements for this. Well done to a number of our students who represented the school so well in the wider Trust Sports' Day last week in Redditch. As we have mentioned previously, sport is such a wonderful way to get fully involved in the wider life of the school, and enables so many important skills such as teamwork, decision making and organisation to be developed further. Please do make sure you find time to talk to your daughter or son about our Sports' Day and encourage them to get involved.

Uniform remains a key focus for us, and we are grateful for the support of our parents and carers with enforcing this. The warmer weather has brought some relaxations this week; for example, blazers have not needed to be worn. However, some students have not been as organised with ties and footwear as we expect; Year Teams will continue to work with parents and carers to ensure that our expectations are met.

We look forward to meeting all of our new Year 7 cohort for September next week with the Transition Days; a reminder, too, that Year 10 are visiting Alton Towers on Wednesday. Please keep an eye on the weather forecast and make sure that your daughter or son is prepared for whatever the British weather may choose to do!

Upcoming Dates

Wednesday 3rd July – Year 10 Alton Towers Trip
 Wednesday 3rd July – Year 6 Transition Day
 Wednesday 3rd July – Class Charts Support Evening,
 5pm - 6:30pm
 Thursday 4th July – Year 6 Transition Day
 Thursday 4th July – Year 6 Transition Evening, 6pm –
 7:30pm
 Friday 5th July – Year 10 Art Gallery Visit
 Friday 5th July – Sports Day
 Tuesday 9th July – Art Exhibition
 Wednesday 10th July – Parent / Carer Forum
 Thursday 11th July – Sports Award Evening
 Friday 12 July – P16 Trust Sports Day, Tipton Sports
 Academy

Assembly Themes

Assembly focus this week was Expectations

w/c 01/07 – Learning from failure

w/c 08/07 – International Day of Friendship

Please take the time to talk to your child about what they have learnt in Assembly.

Upcoming Libraries' Sandwell Arts' Festival

Please see [Sandwell Arts Festival \(heyzine.com\)](http://heyzine.com) for a variety of different upcoming activities at Sandwell Libraries; all children's events are free and are great for keeping families busy during the summer holidays.



Our next Youth Space meeting will be
Tuesday 2nd July 2024
(NOT June 25th June 2024)



We hope that you can join us on the 2nd July 2024, in the Conference Room at Sandwell Education Centre, Hallam Street, West Bromwich, B71 4HJ. Doors open at 5.30pm – Pizza at 6.00pm – session starts at 6.30pm
All Welcome!

Please scan the QR code to register



Or click here to register

DIGITAL BASICS USING CHROMEBOOKS

Free!

JUBILEE PARK COMMUNITY CENTRE
 19th June 2024 - 17th July 2024
 1PM - 3PM

Topics covered

- Basics of using a Chromebook
- Sending email
- Searching online
- Using Googles Docs and other apps
- Keeping safe online



For information call
0121 520 0234

www.learnsafl.ac.uk



FREE BOXING SESSIONS

BoxClever Mentoring will be running after-school boxing sessions every TERM-TIME TUESDAY at West Bromwich Leisure Centre. All sessions are free of charge.

Studio 1
 West Bromwich Leisure Centre,
 Moor Street,
 West Bromwich,
 B70 7AZ

4:00 - 5:15pm
Ages 9 - 16 years

FOR MORE INFORMATION

@boxclevercj

BoxClever Mentoring

BOXCLEVER
 Mentoring



YGYM
 Your friendly, community gym

we are **cycling** UK

The **BIG BIKE** - Revival

CYCLING CLUB

FREE ACTIVITY

Move more, meet new people and see a new side to Sandwell with our guided cycle sessions

TUESDAY & WEDNESDAY
 6:00pm - 7:30pm

YMCA WEST BROMWICH
 38 Carters Green, B70 9LG

JOIN NOW!

Join at YMCA Reception or contact Joy Chatwin on 0121 524 1950 or joy.chatwin@ymcab.org.uk to book your place

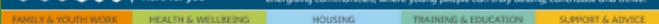
YMCA have bikes available to hire, or you can ride your own.

ymcab.org.uk



Here for young people Here for communities Here for you

YMCA enables people to develop their full potential in mind, body and spirit. Inspired by, and faithful to, our Christian values, we create supportive, inclusive and empowering communities, where young people can truly belong, contribute and thrive.



Meet The Funder

Joanna Plaisant, Grants Officer
Heart of England Community Foundation

About

Heart of England Community Foundation is a charity that raises money to fund and develop community activity, right across Birmingham, the Black Country, Solihull and Warwickshire.



Funding Opportunities

Regional Funds

- The Dulverton Trust - From April 2024
- Harry Payne Fund
- IM Properties Community Fund

Black Country Funds

- The Birmingham & Black Country Communities Fund

Tipton Education Fund

- Established to raise the educational attainment of Tipton
- No deadline - Panel meet quarterly
- Small Grants: £3,000 - to be spent within 12 months
- Large Grants: £10,000 - for innovative enrichment projects, and collaborative projects, to be spent within 24 months

Tipton Education Fund

- Overcome barriers to learning e.g. using art, drama, sport or music as an engagement tool,
- Raising aspirations of children and young people,
- Supporting family learning and encouraging healthy living,
- Encouraging and supporting children to read outside of the school day,
- Providing enrichment opportunities for children, young people and families that they wouldn't otherwise have access to. For example, learning how to cook together, arts, gardening etc.

Tipton Education Fund

Who can apply:

- Constituted community groups
- Companies Limited by Guarantee with charitable aims
- Community Interest Companies
- Co-operatives - registered Community Benefit Societies and registered Industrial and Provident Societies
- Social Enterprises
- Schools School Clusters will be accepted for a consortium bid with one appointed accountable school
- Registered charities

Tipton Education Fund

- Rejected applications
 - Project purpose?
 - Area of delivery
 - Clear outcomes
 - Governance

Birmingham and Black Country Communities Fund (BBCC)

- Maximum of £3,000
- Supports people in Birmingham and the Black Country.
- The aims of the fund are to strengthen communities.
- Will fund start up costs, existing projects, pilot projects and the purchase of equipment and resources.



The Harry Payne Fund

- Majority of grant £1,500 and below
- No deadline – panel meets quarterly
- 25 – mile radius of Birmingham City Centre
- Broad range of activities and will support core costs
- CICs not supported



The IM Properties Community Fund

- Maximum Grant Size £3,000, addressing one of the following priorities as part of IM Properties Sustainable Futures Framework.

PEOPLE

- Promoting positive change projects that:
- Support health and wellbeing.
 - Promote inclusion and diversity within the community.

PLACE

- Strengthening communities projects that:
- Promote and encourage community cohesion.
 - Tackle social isolation and/or help to build social networks.
 - Help to raise aspirations and provide learning opportunities for children, young people, adults and families.



IM Properties Continued

PLANET

- Enhancing the natural environment projects that:
- Promote education and awareness of sustainability
 - Encourage resource efficiency by reduction, recycling and reusing of waste materials
 - Support environmental initiatives including wildlife and habitat creation
- No deadlines – panel meet quarterly



The Dulverton Trust

- Maximum grant £5,000
- No deadline – usually notified within 10 weeks
- Priorities:
 - Youth opportunities
 - General welfare
 - Conservation
 - Heritage



Eligibility Checklist

- What type of organisation are you?
- How much do you need?
- Who has overall responsibility?
- Do you have necessary documents in place?
- Annual income?
- Bank account
- How many grants from this Foundation do you have?



How To Apply

- Online → heartofenglandcf.co.uk
- Supporting Documents
- Application deadlines
- Assessment → takes up to ten weeks
- Decision
- End of Grant Monitoring Report



Hints & Tips

- Read Fund Factsheet
- Supporting documents
- Check Essential Information
- Be clear & concise – why, what, how, where, when, who, how much
- SAVE
- Ask a friend



Any Questions?



WWW.HEARTOFENGLANDCF.CO.UK
 INFO@HEARTOFENGLANDCF.CO.UK
 024 77800 520



Life in Community^{ac} Community Marketplace Event

Tuesday 25th June 2024
11am - 1pm

**St Johns Church Hall,
Upper Church Lane, Tipton
DY4 9ND**

If you want help with the cost of living crisis and shape up your finances whilst getting great tips on how to stay safe from loan sharks then join us for this community event!



**AS PART OF
BITE BACK WEEK**

PRINCES END, TIPTON

**24th - 28th
June 2024**



STOP LOAN SHARKS
Intervention · Support · Education







HEALTHWATCH SANDWELL ZOOM MEETING

We want to know more about:

- Do you book GP appointments digitally?
- Are you having any challenges with digital appointments?
- Are you a carer for someone?
- Do you get the right support as a carer?



“We hope that you can join us”

SHARE YOUR VIEWS!

REGISTER NOW →

Email:
Paul.Higgitt@healthwatchesandwell.co.uk



Tuesday 25 June

At 11 AM - 12 PM

Zoom Meeting - please scan the QR code below and enter: **Passcode190210**

TIPTON PLAY FORUM

Tipton Library (DY4 8SR) 28th June

Pop by any time between **3:30pm** and **5:00pm** for as little or as long as you want. We want to hear the ideas of anyone, child or adult, who wants to help shape future play opportunities in Tipton.

For anyone that comes along we will have a range of games and biscuits!

HOW YOU COULD INFLUENCE PLAY IN TIPTON:

- Plan future Go Play sessions and activities
- Help to identify underused parks and green spaces which could benefit from play
- Find out how to run Play Street sessions in your neighbourhood









JOIN OUR SUPPORT CREW AT A WELLNESS WALK NEAR YOU

We're looking for enthusiastic and energetic volunteers to support our events as either a route marshal or general event volunteer.

Soak up the atmosphere without walking the miles!

All volunteers will receive:

- A full briefing
- Our heartfelt gratitude 🙏
- A Wellness Walk t-shirt
- Snacks and water bottle refills
- Finisher's medal
- Volunteer certificate of appreciation

If you're interested, please scan our QR code to sign up or visit:
wellness-walk.diabetes.org.uk/volunteer





Registered with
**FUNDRAISING
REGULATOR**

WELLNESS WALK BIRMINGHAM



WALK FOR A HAPPIER, HEALTHIER FUTURE

SUNDAY 7TH JULY 2024
CITY CENTRE GARDENS
CAMBRIDGE STREET, BIRMINGHAM, B1 2NP



If you're interested in taking part, or volunteering, please scan our QR code to sign up or visit:
<https://wellness-walk.diabetes.org.uk/find-a-walk/birmingham/>

DIABETES UK
 KNOW DIABETES. FIGHT DIABETES.

FR Registered with FUNDRAISING REGULATORS

Diabetes UK is the operating name of the British Diabetes Association. Company limited by guarantee. Registered in England, 203103. Registered office: Wellington House, 120 Broad Street, London EC1A 3DF. Charitable registration: England and Wales: 271138 and in Scotland: 00229116. © Diabetes UK 2023

YOUTH FOOTBALL 5v5 TOURNAMENT

In Partnership With **SHAPE** Youth Summer Fest

SATURDAY 13 JULY 2024
9AM - 5PM*

*KOs to be confirmed closer to the event
KING GEORGE V PLAYING FIELDS, SANDWELL VALLEY, WEST BROMWICH B71 4BG

BOYS | GIRLS | MIXED
AGE GROUPS FROM U7s - U16s

SCAN THE QR CODE AND COMPLETE THE FORM TO REGISTER



GOAL!



£20 ENTRY PER TEAM

ORGANISED IN PARTNERSHIP WITH BUSTLEHOLME FOOTBALL CLUB



mh
MURRAY HALL
COMMUNITY TRUST

Murray Hall Community Trust
30th Anniversary
Thursday 25th July
11am-3pm

Tombola ~ DJ ~ Games ~ Raffle ~ Refreshments



mh
MURRAY HALL
COMMUNITY TRUST

St Marks Road
 Tipton
 DY4 0SL
 01902 826 314



0800 612 0225
 helpline@cauk.org.uk
 www.cauk.org.uk

Cocaine Anonymous
 Monday 7.30-8.30pm
 Dorothy Parkes Centre
 Church Rd
 Smethwick
 B67 6EH

EVERY MORNING, I SWEAR, NEVER AGAIN

Cocaine Anonymous

Do you have a problem with drugs and alcohol?
So did we.



0800 612 0225
 helpline@cauk.org.uk
 www.cauk.org.uk





Murray Hall Community Trust
Creative Therapeutic Services

SUPPORTIVE STEPS

Supporting victims of domestic violence.





Adult & Child Support



Support Groups



121 Therapy

Our Services Include:

Providing 10 sessions of support for victims of domestic violence and their children.

- 6 individual sessions for adults.
- 4 sessions with child, covering mindfulness and creative coping skills.
- Support groups.

Please contact CTS directly for referrals.
*Sandwell residents only.
*Must be completed by professionals.

Contact Us:

01902 826306
CTS@murrayhall.co.uk
The Bridge, St Marks Road,
Tipton, DY4 0SL







Please note we do not run our groups on Bank Holidays

Sandwell Timetable: Apr - Jul 2024

Contact Details - platform@juststraighttalk.org or chris@juststraighttalk.org
Chris J (CJ) - 07726 210 684 // Natty H (NH) 07486 433 419 // Sam B (SB) 07434 593 959

Monday

10:30am - 12pm: Share the Skills - Rhythm For the Brain - AQA Accredited (10 weeks) - 4 Community Trust, Oldbury, B68 8FH (Starts: 15th Apr 2024 until 1st Jul 2024) **By booking only speak with CJ**

12:30pm - 2pm: Digital Skills Club - Oldbury/ Rowley Regis (12 weeks)
St Giles Court Community Room, Ground Floor, B65 9PE
(Starts: 22nd Apr 2024 until 15th Jul 2024) CJ

Tuesday

2pm - 3:30pm: Digital Skills Club - Wednesbury (Continued for another 12 weeks)
South Staffs Water Hub, Wednesbury, WS10 7HD

Wednesday

10.30am- 12.30pm: 'My Heritage' Project (12 Weeks) - CT Transport 'Lets Chat Hub'
West Bromwich Bus Station (Ongoing from 3rd Apr 2024 until 25th Jun 2024) CJ

1.30pm- 3.30pm: Jobs Skills Drop-in (by Appointment) / 1-1 Coaching (ongoing) -
YMCA West Brom, 38 Carters Green, West Bromwich, B70 9LG ***Contact CJ for appt***

Thursday

11am - 1pm: Creative Skills Club - 4 Community Trust, Oldbury, B68 8FH (Ongoing from 4th Apr 2024)

2:30pm - 4pm: Just While You Wait (Mental Health) - Myra Harris Community Bungalow,
West Bromwich, B70 0DT (Ongoing from 4th Apr 2024) CJ +SB

Friday

12.30pm - 2:30pm: Music Creativity Club - Sons of Rest, Wednesbury, WS10 9HG
(Ongoing from 5th Apr 2024) CJ + SR

www.juststraighttalk.org





Be part of our family




Just While You Wait

Every Thursday afternoon from 2:30pm
@ Myra Harris, Community Bungalow
178 Brickhouse Lane, West Bromwich, West Midlands, B70 0DT

What's it all about :
Devote some time to your mental wellbeing. A group provided for those on waiting lists, in recovery, or simply wanting to connect and get involved.

Fun activities and advice across a huge range of topics, such as:

- Improving Wellbeing
- Building Confidence
- Meeting new people
- Learn new things
- Fun, games and a variety of activities.
- Mental & Physical Health advice
- Links to other services



01902 256 744 Just Straight Talk Office platform@juststraighttalk.org

Co-production in partnership with The Albion Foundation

www.juststraighttalk.org





Sandwell

digital skills

Every Monday afternoon from 12:30 - 2:00pm
@ St Giles Court - Community Room
St Giles Court, Reservoir Road, Rowley Regis, West Midlands, B65 9PE

Unlock New Opportunities with Digital Skills.
Get Your Free Touchscreen Laptop & Start Your Digital Journey!

Transform Your Life:

- Improve Your Wellbeing
- Boost Your Confidence
- Connect with Your Community

Explore the Digital World:

- Learn at Your Own Pace
- Browse the Web Confidently
- Master Apps and Websites
- Take Control of Your Inbox
- Online Safety Tips
- Empower Your Health Journey



FREE LAPTOP

platform@juststraighttalk.org
01902 256 744 Just Straight Talk Office



jst **COMMUNITY FUND**

PLATFORM

PLATFORM supports people aged 18+ who are out of work and live in Dudley or Sandwell to increase wellbeing, confidence and self esteem through group activities and 1-1 sessions.

[More details overleaf](#)



Visit our website:
www.juststraighttalk.org

Call us on **01902 256 744** Email platform@juststraighttalk.org

Or call Chris (Sandwell) on 07726 210 684 or Sam (Dudley) on 07434 593 959

www.facebook.com/JustStraightTalk [@juststraighttal](https://twitter.com/juststraighttal)

jst **COMMUNITY FUND**

PLATFORM

Welcome to our community in the heart of the Black Country
Discover your potential and embrace a brighter future with PLATFORM!
Here's what we offer:



- Reach Your Goals**
Our dedicated team are here to help you grow and succeed.
- Boost Your Wellbeing**
Learn how to live your best life with our supportive workshops.
- Build Confidence**
Gain the confidence to tackle your challenges and try new things.
- Connect with Others**
Make new friends and build connections.
- Achieve Success**
Set goals and learn new skills to reach them.
- Express Yourself**
Join our creative community and set your imagination free. Discover new talents and have fun along the way with crafts, arts, and music!
- Get Job-Ready**
Prepare for the job market with advice and practical skills training.
- Manage Your Money**
Learn how to budget and take control of your finances.

Visit our website:
www.juststraighttalk.org

Call us on **01902 256 744** Email platform@juststraighttalk.org

Or call Chris (Sandwell) on 07726 210 684 or Sam (Dudley) on 07434 593 959

www.facebook.com/JustStraightTalk [@juststraighttal](https://twitter.com/juststraighttal)

Empowering Independence, One Ride at a Time!

THE MUNDAY SISTERS



Your Reliable Partners in Transportation



- A bespoke driving service tailored for your individual needs
- Door to door safe and reliable service



Safety and Comfort

- From medical visits to household tasks like shopping trips or days out
- When your family members cant take you, we will

Contact Us Today

Amanda Munday- 0774 916 0996
Vanessa Munday- 0789 118 7032

We are DBS checked and have Business and Public Liability Insurance

Empowering Independence, One Ride at a Time!

THE MUNDAY SISTERS



Your Reliable Partners in Transportation



- A bespoke driving service tailored for your individual needs
- Door to door safe and reliable service



Safety and Comfort

- From medical visits to household tasks like shopping trips or days out
- When your family members cant take you, we will

Contact Us Today

Amanda Munday- 0774 916 0996
Vanessa Munday- 0789 118 7032

We are DBS checked and have Business and Public Liability Insurance



TUESDAY
10:00am - 12:00pm
Dartmouth Park Pavillion, B71 4AA



TUESDAY
5:30pm - 7:00pm
WBA Community Sports Hall, B71 4LG

WEDNESDAY
5:30pm - 7:00pm
West Smethwick Park Pavillion, B67 7JJ



Fit Baggies is a 10-week Health, Fitness and Lifestyle programme for the Sandwell Community run by The Albion Foundation.

The Fit Baggies is free to join and is open to Sandwell residents who meet the following criteria:

- Age 18+
- Body Mass of 25+

The goal of Fit Baggies is to reach inactive people whose healths will benefit from becoming more active and changing their eating and drinking habits.

RETURNS
JUNE 2024





To: Parents/Carers

Gospel Oak School

Bilston Road
Gospel Oak
Tipton
West Midlands
DY4 0BZ

T 0121 556 1351
F 0121 506 7833
W www.gospeloakschool.co.uk

28th June 2024

Our Ref: CL.KH.3043

Your Ref:

Dear Parent/Carer,

Re: SummerFest at Gospel Oak School

Following the success of last year's event, we are excited to announce that we will be hosting our annual SummerFest on Thursday 18th July 2024. This event promises to be a day filled with fun and engaging activities for our students and a day of enjoyment for all.

The festival will feature a wide range of activities that cater to different interests and age groups. Here is a sneak peek at some of the activities planned for the day:

- We will have various outdoor sports and games such as soccer tournament, fun run, dodgeball and boxing. These activities will encourage teamwork, physical fitness, and friendly competition.
- Live Performance: We are fortunate enough to have a very talented Saxophone player coming to entertain our students. He is an Award-winning alto-saxophonist and MC Soweto Kinch is one of the most exciting and versatile young musicians in both the British jazz and hip hop scenes. He will talk about the importance of education, and back up our values have all the students engaged in his interactive session. Please see the link: <https://www.soweto-kinch.com/biography/>
- Ice cream van
- Road safety activity
- Well-being workshop

Students are to arrive in their P.E kit and go straight to tutor as normal for 8:30am.

It will be a fantastic opportunity for our school community to come together and create lasting memories.

Warm regards,

Mrs C Law
Assistant Principal



To: Yr 11 Parents/Carers

Gospel Oak School

Bilston Road
Gospel Oak
Tipton
West Midlands
DY4 0BZ

T 0121 556 1351

F 0121 506 7833

W www.gospeloakschool.co.uk

28th June 2024

Our Ref: RQ.KH.3042

Your Ref:

Dear Parent/Carer,

Re: Key Stage 5 Bridging Work

In preparation for their Key Stage 5 studies, your son/daughter is required to complete some bridging work over the summer. This work is essential in providing a foundation of key knowledge for their first units of work. In addition, this work will ensure that positive learning routines begin and help prepare students for the additional work that is required outside of the classroom in Sixth Form.

Each subject area will set ten hours of work which will include some wider reading alongside specific tasks. The bridging work will form part of lessons in the first week in September.

Work will be uploaded to the Sixth Form section our school website by noon on Friday 19th July, this page can be accessed here: <https://www.gospeloakschool.org.uk/page/?title=Sixth+Form&pid=26> If your son/daughter requires a paper copy of the work, please inform us by emailing sixthformenquiries@gospeloakschool.co.uk.

Yours faithfully,

Mrs R Quirk
Vice Principal



To: All Parents/Carers

Gospel Oak School

Bilston Road
Gospel Oak
Tipton
West Midlands
DY4 0BZ

T 0121 556 1351

F 0121 506 7833

W www.gospeloakschool.co.uk

28th June 2024

Our Ref: CL.KH.3044

Your Ref:

Dear Parent/Carer,

Re: Sponsored Run/Walk

We are excited to share some wonderful news with you regarding an upcoming event at Gospel Oak School. As part of our Summerfest on Thursday 18th July 2024, one of the activities will be a sponsored run on the school grounds.

As part of our commitment to instilling the values of community service and social responsibility in our students, the sponsored run will be our first fundraising event for charity.

A couple of weeks ago, all students at Gospel Oak School took part in having their own vote on which charities we should fundraise for. I am delighted to share with you that the top two charities that received the most votes were:

- Birmingham Childrens Hospital
- Sandwell Better Mental Health

This event will not only promote physical fitness among our students but also provide an opportunity for them to make a positive impact on the lives of others.

We would like to invite you to support your son/daughter in this by becoming a sponsor for the run. You can pledge a certain amount of money by making a one-time donation. Your contribution, no matter the size, will go a long way in helping us reach our fundraising goal. We are encouraging students to ask as many families and friends to donate as possible.

To participate, please fill out the attached sponsorship form and return it to the students form tutor by Monday 15th July. We kindly request that you provide your contact details, sponsorship amount and any additional information required. This will help us keep track of the pledged amounts and ensure proper acknowledgment.

As an added incentive, we will be awarding certificates of appreciation to students who actively seek sponsorships and raise a significant amount of funds. This will further encourage their engagement and recognise their efforts in supporting this meaningful cause.

We will also keep you informed about the progress of the fundraising campaign and the final amount raised. All collected funds will be handled transparently and used solely for the benefit of the chosen charity.

We sincerely appreciate your support and partnership in this initiative. By working together, we can empower our students to become compassionate individuals who actively contribute to society.

Thank you for your continued trust in Gospel Oak School. We look forward to a successful sponsored run event and an enriching experience for our students.

Warm regards,

Mrs C Law

Mrs C Law
Assistant Principal



To: Yr 11 Parents/Carers

Gospel Oak School

Bilston Road
Gospel Oak
Tipton
West Midlands
DY4 0BZ

T 0121 556 1351

F 0121 506 7833

W www.gospeloakschool.co.uk

28th June 2024

Our Ref: SBa.KH.3047

Your Ref:

Dear Parent/Carer,

Re: Yr 12 Enrolment and Induction

I am writing to give you further information about the enrolment process into Year 12 which takes place on GCSE results day, Thursday 22nd August.

Your son/daughter will collect their examination results from the Bistro from 10.00am and will then be directed to the Sixth Form team to begin enrolment. The team will be based on the main car park near the Bistro. The enrolment station will be staffed from 9.00am until 2.00pm and staff will be able to answer any questions in relation to courses, grades and general enquiries.

Any students who are unable to enrol will have a further opportunity to do so on the 3rd September between the hours of 11.00am to 3.00pm, in preparation for a 4th September start. If you have any questions in relation to this process or if your child has not yet applied but is keen to join us, please email sixthformenquiries@gospeloakschool.co.uk.

The autumn term for Year 12 students will begin on Wednesday 4th September at 8.30am. Students should sign in at Reception where they will be directed to the new Sixth Form area. Their first day will be an informative day filled with opportunities to: learn study skills, meet their form tutors and learn about our enrichment offer.

We look forward to seeing your son/daughter on GCSE results day and welcoming them into Gospel Oak Sixth Form. If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact me on the above email.

Yours faithfully,

Mr S Bala
Associate Assistant Principal Post 16



To: Yr 6 Parents/Carers

28th June 2024

Dear Parent/Carer,

Re: Year 7 Pastoral Structure 2024/25

As we prepare for the upcoming academic year, I am pleased to inform you of the appointed pastoral leadership team, along with the tutors who will be responsible for supporting your son's/daughter's educational journey at Gospel Oak School.

We believe that strong pastoral care is essential for student success and our team of dedicated professionals are committed to providing the best possible support for your son/daughter. Please find below the pastoral structure from September 2024.

Year 7 – New Build
Vice Principal – Stacy Bott
Assistant Principal Head of Ks3 – Anthony Hickinbottom
YTL – Jack Bowser
Deputy YTL – Ali Barlow
Head of Year – Jadie Hampton
Tutors - Miss Wadeley, Ms Ashfield, Ms Chowlia, Ms Hedges, Mr Guttridge, Miss Edwards, Mrs Tiso, Miss Lane

Your son's/daughter's tutor will provide daily support, monitor academic progress and assist with any personal or social issues your son/daughter may face. This structured support system ensures that each student receives individualised attention and care.

We encourage you to reach out to the respective pastoral team via the contact form on our website with any questions or concerns. Open communication between school and home is vital for the well-being and success of our students.

Thank you for your continued support. We look forward to a productive and successful year ahead.

Kind regards,

Stacy Bott
Vice Principal

Gospel Oak School

Bilston Road
Gospel Oak
Tipton
West Midlands
DY4 0BZ

T 0121 556 1351
F 0121 506 7833
W www.gospeloakschool.co.uk

Our Ref: SBO.KH.3049

Your Ref:



To: Yr 7 Parents/Carers

28th June 2024

Dear Parent/Carer,

Re: Year 8 Pastoral Structure 2024/25

As we prepare for the upcoming academic year, I am pleased to inform you of the appointed pastoral leadership team, along with the tutors who will be responsible for supporting your son's/daughter's educational journey at Gospel Oak School.

We believe that strong pastoral care is essential for student success and our team of dedicated professionals are committed to providing the best possible support for your son/daughter. Please find below the pastoral structure from September 2024.

Year 8 – New Build
Vice Principal – Stacy Bott
Assistant Principal Head of Ks3 – Anthony Hickinbottom
YTL – Dan Johnson
Deputy YTL - Brogan Smith
Head of Year – Vacancy
Mr White, Mrs Sahota, Mr Jones, Miss Emery, Mr Steen, Mr Queensborough, Mr Brown, Mr Uddin, Miss Webb

Your son's/daughter's tutor will provide daily support, monitor academic progress and assist with any personal or social issues your son/daughter may face. This structured support system ensures that each student receives individualised attention and care.

We encourage you to reach out to the respective pastoral team via the contact form on our website with any questions or concerns. Open communication between school and home is vital for the well-being and success of our students.

Thank you for your continued support. We look forward to a productive and successful year ahead.

Kind regards,

Stacy Bott
Vice Principal

Gospel Oak School

Bilston Road
Gospel Oak
Tipton
West Midlands
DY4 0BZ

T 0121 556 1351
F 0121 506 7833
W www.gospeloakschool.co.uk

Our Ref: SBO.KH.3049

Your Ref:



To: Yr 8 Parents/Carers

28th June 2024

Dear Parent/Carer,

Re: Year 9 Pastoral Structure 2024/25

As we prepare for the upcoming academic year, I am pleased to inform you of the appointed pastoral leadership team, along with the tutors who will be responsible for supporting your son's/daughter's educational journey at Gospel Oak School.

We believe that strong pastoral care is essential for student success and our team of dedicated professionals are committed to providing the best possible support for your son/daughter. Please find below the pastoral structure from September 2024.

Year 9 – Ground floor
Vice Principal – Stacy Bott
Assistant Principal Head of Ks3 – Anthony Hickinbottom
YTL – Mollie Ralph
Deputy YTL - Ali Bhatti
Head of Year – Natalie Davies
Miss Pope, Miss Dunn, Mr Whitehouse, Miss Bailey Green, Mr Chapman, Miss Tunnell, Mrs Butt, Mr Emerole

Your son's/daughter's tutor will provide daily support, monitor academic progress and assist with any personal or social issues your son/daughter may face. This structured support system ensures that each student receives individualised attention and care.

We encourage you to reach out to the respective pastoral team via the contact form on our website with any questions or concerns. Open communication between school and home is vital for the well-being and success of our students.

Thank you for your continued support. We look forward to a productive and successful year ahead.

Kind regards,

Stacy Bott
Vice Principal

Gospel Oak School

Bilston Road
Gospel Oak
Tipton
West Midlands
DY4 0BZ

T 0121 556 1351
F 0121 506 7833
W www.gospeloakschool.co.uk

Our Ref: SBO.KH.3049

Your Ref:



To: Yr 9 Parents/Carers

28th June 2024

Dear Parent/Carer,

Re: Year 10 Pastoral Structure 2024/25

As we prepare for the upcoming academic year, I am pleased to inform you of the appointed pastoral leadership team, along with the tutors who will be responsible for supporting your son's/daughter's educational journey at Gospel Oak School.

We believe that strong pastoral care is essential for student success and our team of dedicated professionals are committed to providing the best possible support for your son/daughter. Please find below the pastoral structure from September 2024.

Year 10 – First floor
Vice Principal – Stacy Bott
Associate Assistant Principal Head of Ks4 – Adam Mason
YTL – Kate Malkin
Deputy YTL - Mark Lowndes
Head of Year – Tamara Ansell-Simms
Mr Field, Ms Shelley, Ms McCann, Miss Harper, Mrs Brown, Miss Thacker, Ms Rafiq, Mr Sheridhar

Your son's/daughter's tutor will provide daily support, monitor academic progress and assist with any personal or social issues your son/daughter may face. This structured support system ensures that each student receives individualised attention and care.

We encourage you to reach out to the respective pastoral team via the contact form on our website with any questions or concerns. Open communication between school and home is vital for the well-being and success of our students.

Thank you for your continued support. We look forward to a productive and successful year ahead.

Kind regards,

Stacy Bott
Vice Principal

Gospel Oak School

Bilston Road
Gospel Oak
Tipton
West Midlands
DY4 0BZ

T 0121 556 1351

F 0121 506 7833

W www.gospeloakschool.co.uk

Our Ref: SBO.KH.3049

Your Ref:



To: Yr 10 Parents/Carers

28th June 2024

Dear Parent/Carer,

Re: Year 11 Pastoral Structure 2024/25

As we prepare for the upcoming academic year, I am pleased to inform you of the appointed pastoral leadership team, along with the tutors who will be responsible for supporting your son's/daughter's educational journey at Gospel Oak School.

We believe that strong pastoral care is essential for student success, and our team of dedicated professionals are committed to providing the best possible support for your son/daughter. Please find below the pastoral structure from September 2024.

Year 11 – First floor
Vice Principal – Stacy Bott
Associate Assistant Principal Head of Ks4 – Adam Mason
YTL – Neil Wilson
Deputy YTL - Tom Minton
Head of Year – Tanya Webb
Miss Dixon, Mr Lee, Miss Wilkes, Ms Davies, Ms Southworth, Mr Cattell, Mr Davies, Miss Burke

Your son's/daughter's tutor will provide daily support, monitor academic progress and assist with any personal or social issues your son/daughter may face. This structured support system ensures that each student receives individualised attention and care.

We encourage you to reach out to the respective pastoral team via the contact form on our website with any questions or concerns. Open communication between school and home is vital for the well-being and success of our students.

Thank you for your continued support. We look forward to a productive and successful year ahead.

Kind regards,

Stacy Bott
Vice Principal

Gospel Oak School

Bilston Road
Gospel Oak
Tipton
West Midlands
DY4 0BZ

T 0121 556 1351
F 0121 506 7833
W www.gospeloakschool.co.uk

Our Ref: SBO.KH.3049

Your Ref:



To: Yr 11 & Yr 12 Parents/Carers

Gospel Oak School

Bilston Road
Gospel Oak
Tipton
West Midlands
DY4 0BZ

T 0121 556 1351

F 0121 506 7833

W www.gospeloakschool.co.uk

28th June 2024

Our Ref: SBO.KH.3049

Your Ref:

Dear Parent/Carer,

Re: Sixth Form Pastoral Structure 2024/25

As we prepare for the upcoming academic year, I am pleased to inform you of the appointed pastoral leadership team, along with the tutors who will be responsible for supporting your son's/daughter's educational journey at Gospel Oak School.

We believe that strong pastoral care is essential for student success and our team of dedicated professionals are committed to providing the best possible support for your son/daughter. Please find below the pastoral structure from September 2024.

Sixth Form – Second floor
Vice Principal – Becky Quirk
Associate Assistant Principal Head of Sixth Form – Si Bala
Achievement Leader – Charlotte Clee
Tutors: Ms Hussain, Mr Patel, Mrs Saxton, Mr Cooper

Your son's/daughter's tutor will provide daily support, monitor academic progress and assist with any personal or social issues your son/daughter may face. This structured support system ensures that each student receives individualised attention and care.

We encourage you to reach out to the respective pastoral team via the contact form on our website with any questions or concerns. Open communication between school and home is vital for the well-being and success of our students.

Thank you for your continued support. We look forward to a productive and successful year ahead.

Kind regards,

Stacy Bott
Vice Principal



To:

Gospel Oak School

Bilston Road
Gospel Oak
Tipton
West Midlands
DY4 0BZ

T 0121 556 1351
F 0121 506 7833
W www.gospeloakschool.co.uk

25th June 2024

Our Ref: CM.KH.3050

Your Ref:

Dear <parent/carer>,

Re: GCSE Design and Technology, Option C

Further to our letter dated 11th April, we would like to update you regarding the progress made to support your son/daughter in this option.

In order to support students with 'catching up' with learning from earlier in the school year, we will be providing a 'drop-down day' on Tuesday 2nd July. Students should go to their form as normal at 8.30am, then go to G14 at 9.00am where they will work on their coursework for the day. Students will be supported throughout the day by our DT Teacher (Mr Holt and Mr Emereole).

As always, thank you for your support; please do contact us via the 'Contact Us' link on our school website should you have any questions: [Gospel Oak School - Contact Us](#)

Yours sincerely,

Miss C Middlehurst
Senior Vice Principal



To: Parents/Carers

Gospel Oak School

Bilston Road
Gospel Oak
Tipton
West Midlands
DY4 0BZ

T 0121 556 1351

F 0121 506 7833

W www.gospeloakschool.co.uk

28th June 2024

Our Ref: CM.KH.3051

Your Ref:

Dear Parent/Carer,

Re: Gospel Oak School Sports' Day – Friday 5th July 2024

We are delighted to be able to let you know the arrangements for our Sports' Day; this will be held at Tipton Sports Academy on Friday 5th July. This is a fantastic occasion in the school calendar, when all members of the school are able to come together to celebrate sport and the school community.

All students Years 7-10 are encouraged to take part in Sports' Day; form tutors and the PE department will be working with students to plan teams and events in preparation for the day. All arrangements for the day will be clearly explained to students in school in advance; we are also grateful for your support in talking through the following organisational points with your son/daughter:

- *All students should arrive at school at 8.25am in their Gospel Oak School PE kit, or appropriate sportswear which reflects their form group's chosen country that they will be representing on the day. If students are choosing to wear sportswear which represents the colour of their chosen form group country, this must be in line with our expectations for appropriate sporting clothing. Please note that 'Crocs' are NOT permitted, and midriiffs must not be exposed.*
- *The day will be split into halves, with Years 7 & 8 attending the Tipton Sports Academy for their athletics-based sports day activities in the morning. Years 9 & 10 will attend the Tipton Sports Academy in the afternoon.*

Years 7 & 8

- *Years 7 & 8 should go straight to the MUGA at 8.25am where they will be registered by their form tutor.*
- *Students will be walked to Tipton Sports Academy by their form tutor and/or other school staff. Students must stay on the pavement, cross at the crossings or identified crossing points when instructed and follow all other instructions given by school staff.*
- *They will arrive at Tipton Sports Academy and begin the events at around 9:00am.*
- *The events will conclude for 11:45am where they will walk the same route back to Gospel Oak School, to start their lunch at 12pm*
- *From 12:30pm, the students will be taking part in activities back at school which are linked to the upcoming Olympic games and will focus around each form group's given country.*
- *Novelty sports related activities will also be part of the day – details to be shared with students*
- *The students will be dismissed as normal from Gospel Oak School at 3pm*

Years 9 & 10

- Students should arrive to school as normal and attend their tutor period
- These students will be taking part in activities at school which are linked to the upcoming Olympic games and will focus around each form group's given country.
- They will break for lunch at 11:45am and line up after lunch at 12:15pm.
- Students will be walked to Tipton Sports Academy by their form tutor and/or other school staff. Students must stay on the pavement, cross at the crossings or identified crossing points when instructed and follow all other instructions given by school staff.
- Novelty sports related activities will also be part of the day – details to be shared with students
- They will arrive at Tipton Sports Academy and begin the events at around 12:45pm.
- Events to conclude for 3pm, where the students will be dismissed directly from the Tipton Sports Academy

All students

- Students must take a packed lunch, and non-carbonated drinks to Tipton Sports Academy for the day in order to stay hydrated. Students who are eligible for Free School Meals will be provided with a grab bag.
- Students should prepare for all weather eventualities – they should have sun cream, a hat, a waterproof jacket, and their school blazer or ¼ zip PE jumper to keep warm. Students may also wish to bring an umbrella to provide protection from rain and/or sun.
- Students should ensure that all medication – for example, for hayfever – is taken as needed before the school day. Our school policy for 'Supporting Pupils with Medical Conditions' applies for those students who may need to take medication during the day: <https://www.schoolbus.co.uk/compliancemanager/public/supporting-pupils-with-medical-conditions-policy/6747e87e-76ea-45ef-bb2a-432f026f86ce/11405> . First Aid will be provided at Tipton Sports Academy.
- Attendance is compulsory and our school 'Attendance Policy' – (see <https://www.schoolbus.co.uk/compliancemanager/public/attendance--punctuality-policy/88a8498b-75e1-46f0-bb16-e0701b3def82/82033>) applies.
- Students should not be using their mobile phones during the day; we understand that students may wish to have their mobile phones with them in order to be able to communicate with home before the start of and at the end of the school day, but students must keep these in their bags. If a student chooses to have a mobile phone in their bag, it is their responsibility.

Please note that, in the event of extreme weather conditions, students will be brought back to school if deemed necessary by school staff. It is NOT possible for parents/carers to attend the event due to the large numbers of staff and students present.

We are very much looking forward to our Sports' Day; thank you for encouraging your son/daughter to participate and for your support of the school for this significant event for our school community.

Yours faithfully,



Miss P Thacker
Director of Learning & Standards for PE



Mr C Field
Director of Learning & Standards for PE



To: Parents/Carers

Gospel Oak School

Bilston Road
Gospel Oak
Tipton
West Midlands
DY4 0BZ

T 0121 556 1351

F 0121 506 7833

W www.gospeloakschool.co.uk

28th June 2024

Our Ref: MC.KH.3052

Your Ref:

Dear Parent / Carer,

Re: Emergency Lockdown Procedures

It is that time of the year where we carry out our annual lockdown procedure drill. Lockdown procedures are important and would be used in response to an internal or external incident which could be a threat to the safety of staff and students in the school.

Lockdown procedures may be activated in response to any number of situations including;

- Reported incident/civil disturbance in the local community.
- An intruder on the school site with the potential to cause harm to children or staff
- A warning being received regarding risk locally of air pollution (smoke plume, gas cloud etc.) or biological, chemical or radiological hazards
- A major fire within the vicinity of the school
- The close proximity of a dangerous animal roaming loose
- An extreme weather event

The school's procedure aims to minimise disruption to the learning environment whilst ensuring the safety of all students and staff. Tutors will be sharing this procedure with their class with the intention of the school carrying out an emergency drill to ensure that everyone is clear in what they have to do.

The drill will take place during the week beginning Monday 8th July and will involve the lockdown alarm being sounded.

Assemblies have also been held to remind the students of the importance of having a drill.

Parents/carers also have a role to play in lockdown procedures. Should a lockdown take place parents/carers are asked:

- To communicate the same message to their son/daughter that the school is a safe place and the drill is to ensure that everyone knows what to do in a real situation
- To be aware that calling the school for additional information could block vital lines of communication compromising safety
- Not to attend site until they are instructed to do so by either the school or emergency services, as they could place themselves in danger.

- Not to attempt to make contact with their son/daughter by calling or texting personal mobile phones as this could place them in danger if an intruder was in the building
- To understand that the lockdown may continue for a prolonged period, extending beyond the schools normal operating hours

Thank you for your cooperation and support in this crucial aspect of student health and safety.

Yours sincerely,



Mr M Clapham
Estates Hub Manager



To: Year 7 to 10 Parents/Carers

Gospel Oak School

Bilston Road
Gospel Oak
Tipton
West Midlands
DY4 0BZ

T 0121 556 1351

F 0121 506 7833

W www.gospeloakschool.co.uk

28th June 2024

Our Ref: SBr.KH.3028

Your Ref:

Dear Parent/Carer,

Re: Yr 7 to 10 End of Term Arrangements

I am writing to inform you of the end of term arrangements and those for the start of term in September.

School will finish at 12.20pm for all year groups on the last day of this term, Friday 19th July. Any students who are unable to find their own way home at that time may remain in school where they will be supervised until 3.00pm. Please let us know by Tuesday 9th July using the 'Contact Form' at [Gospel Oak School - Contact Us](#) should you wish your son/daughter to remain in school until 3.00pm.

May I please remind you of the importance of good attendance right up until the end of term? Although we are approaching the end of the academic year, students will still be completing important work, including in some cases, coursework/controlled assessments and therefore it is vital that they maintain their attendance right up until the last day.

I would like to take this opportunity to let you know that we have finalised the dates for the staff training days and the arrangements for the start of the autumn term. The complete set of term dates can be found at [Gospel Oak School - Term Dates](#). Consequently, the school will re-open for all students in next year's Years 8, 9, 10 and 11 on Thursday 5th September at 8.30am.

I wish you all a very happy summer break.

Yours sincerely,

Mr S Brownlow
Executive Principal



To: Year 12 Parents/Carers

Gospel Oak School

Bilston Road
Gospel Oak
Tipton
West Midlands
DY4 0BZ

T 0121 556 1351

F 0121 506 7833

W www.gospeloakschool.co.uk

28th June 2024

Our Ref: SBr.KH.3027

Your Ref:

Dear Parent/Carer,

Re: Yr 12 End of Term Arrangements

I am writing to inform you of the end of term arrangements and those for the start of term in September.

School will finish at 12.20pm for all year groups on the last day of this term, Friday 19th July.

I would like to take this opportunity to let you know that we have finalised the dates for the staff training days and the arrangements for the start of the autumn term. The complete set of term dates can be found at [Gospel Oak School - Term Dates](#). Consequently, the school will re-open for all students in next year's Year 13 on Thursday 5th September at 8.30am.

I wish you all a very happy summer break.

Yours sincerely,

Mr S Brownlow
Executive Principal



To: Parents/Carers

26th June 2024

Gospel Oak School

Bilston Road
Gospel Oak
Tipton
West Midlands
DY4 0BZ

T 0121 556 1351

F 0121 506 7833

W www.gospeloakschool.co.uk

Our Ref: SBa.KH.3054

Your Ref:

Dear Parent/Carer,

Re: 16-19 Bursary Fund

We are writing to inform you about the 16-19 Bursary Fund, which provides financial support to eligible students to help them overcome financial barriers to education.

What is the 16-19 Bursary Fund?

The 16-19 Bursary Fund is a government-funded program designed to support students aged 16 to 19 who need financial assistance to continue their education. The fund is intended to help with essential costs related to education, such as travel, books, equipment and other course-related expenses.

Types of Bursaries Available

1. **Vulnerable Student Bursary:** This bursary is available to students who are:
 - In care
 - Care leavers
 - Receiving Income Support, or Universal Credit in place of Income Support
 - Receiving both Employment and Support Allowance (ESA) or Universal Credit and Disability Living Allowance (DLA) or Personal Independence Payment (PIP)

Eligible students can receive up to £1,200 per year.

2. **Discretionary Bursary:** This bursary is available to students facing genuine financial difficulties. The amount awarded is based on individual circumstances and available funds. This can help with costs such as:
 - Transport
 - Meals
 - Books and equipment
 - Educational trips

Eligibility Criteria

To be eligible for the 16-19 Bursary Fund, students must be:

- Aged 16 or over but under 19 on 31st August in the year that they commence the programme of study
- Enrolled in a publicly funded school or college, or on an unpaid training course
- Meeting residency requirements set by the government

How to Apply

1. Complete the attached application form
2. Provide Supporting Documents: Submit proof of household income and any other relevant documentation.
3. Submit the Application: return the completed form and supporting documents to Mr Bala.

Application Deadlines

We encourage students to apply as soon as possible to ensure that they receive the support they need. Applications will be reviewed promptly and successful applicants will be notified in writing.

Further Information

For more details about the 16-19 Bursary Fund, please visit our school's website where you can read our 16-19 Bursary Policy or <https://www.gov.uk/1619-bursary-fund>. If you have any further questions or concerns, please visit sixthformenquiries@gspeloakschool.co.uk

Yours faithfully,



Mr S Bala
Associate Assistant Principal Post 16

Central Sixth Form 16-19 Bursary Fund Application Form

PROTECTION OF PUBLIC FUNDS

We must protect the public funds we handle and so we may use the information you have provided on this form to prevent and detect fraud. We may also share this information, for the same purposes, with other organisations that handle public funds, and with this in mind, a sample of applications will be chosen at random for full investigation.

DATA PROTECTION

The data you provide to us will be used to assess and facilitate your entitlement to help from the 16-19 Bursary Fund at your centre of study in the Central Region Schools Trust. In fulfilling its data protection obligations will treat all personal data, held manually and on a computerised database with due care, and will only disclose data in accordance with the Data Protection Act 1998

SECTION A: What are your details? *To be completed by the student*

Surname/Family name

First name(s)

Date of birth

Present Home address

(if your address changes please notify us)

Telephone number

Email address

SECTION B: What are your details of study?

Name of school

Course Name and description

Which year will you be in

12:

13:

Extra
year:

SECTION C: What are your circumstances?

Who do you live with? Please tick all that apply:

Mother	Father	Parent's spouse/partner	Grandparent(s)
Foster parents	On my own	My spouse/partner	In care / looked after

Other, please explain:

Have you always lived in the UK (please circle one)?

Yes

No

If YES please proceed to Section D. If NO please complete the separate residency information sheet.

SECTION D: What bursary type are you applying for?

- I am applying for the vulnerable student bursary of £1200 (Priority Group 1) (Go straight to section F)
- I am applying for a discretionary bursary (Priority Group 2 or 3)

SECTION E: What support are you applying for? (Please tick all that apply and outline the anticipated cost of each one):**Items:**

- Uniform/clothing subsidy
- Transport
- School meals
- Books and Stationary
- Trips and Visits
- Examination re-sits
- NUS Cards
- 16-18 Travel Card
- UCAS Fee
- Other (please specify)

Anticipated Cost:

-
-
-
-
-
-
-
-
-
-
-

Total Anticipated Cost:£ **SECTION F: Eligibility (Please tick all that apply and provide the evidence required with your application form)**

A – I am or my family are in receipt of Free School Meals	We will check your details with the School Benefits section.
B – I am or my family are in receipt of Asylum Seeker Funding from the Home Office	Please provide proof e.g. Home Office letter
C – I am or my family are in receipt of Income Support / Jobseekers Allowance or Universal Credit	Please provide proof e.g. benefits books or bank statement
D – I am a looked after child	Please provide a letter from your social worker
E – I am a care leaver	Please provide a letter from your social worker
F – I am disabled and in receipt of Employment Support Allowance and Disability Living Allowance or Personal Independence Payments	Please provide proof e.g. benefits books or bank statement
G – I am a Young Carer	Please provide a letter from Young Carers to confirm this
H – Family's gross taxable income is less than £16,190 per annum	Please provide a copy of the most recent Tax Credit Award notice or complete your income details below and provide evidence as indicated.

I – Family's gross taxable income is between £16,190 and £20 000 per annum	Please provide a copy of the most recent Tax Credit Award notice or complete your income details below and provide evidence as indicated.
J – Family's gross taxable income is between £20 000 and £25 000 per annum	Please provide a copy of the most recent Tax Credit Award notice or complete your income details below and provide evidence as indicated.
K – Family experiencing financial hardship and/or other barriers to participation in 16 – 19 education	Please write in confidence to the Head of Sixth Form detailing your current circumstances and barriers to education.

SECTION G1: Learner Income

Part time job

£

weekly

Benefits

£

weekly

SECTION G2: Household Income

	Parent 1	Parent 2	Evidence
Gross taxable annual salary / wages	£	£	Most recent P60 or end of March payslip
Self employment / property income	£	£	Most recent self assessment tax
Private / Occupational pension	£	£	Pension statement / Pension P60 / Bank
State pension	£	£	Pension statement / Bank statement / Benefit book
Benefits (Please specify)	£	£	Bank statement / Benefit book
Bank or building society interest	£	£	(Evidence only required if over £250.00 for the year) Bank / Building society statement
Share dividends	£	£	(Evidence only required if over £250.00 for the year) Tax vouchers

SECTION H: Declaration by Parent/Carer

It is important that you read the following statement carefully:

We will not consider this application unless it is signed and dated by the family members whose income details have been declared above in Section G2.

- *The information I have given on this form is accurate.*
- *I will inform you immediately of any change in my personal circumstances as they occur.*
- *I understand that if I provide false or incomplete information, I will have to repay any money given to the applicant to help with their study.*

Signed : _____ parent/carer

Relationship to student _____ Date: _____

SECTION I: Learner Declaration

It is important that you read the following statement carefully. We will not consider this application unless it is signed and dated by you.

The information I have given on this form is accurate.

I will inform you immediately of any change in either my own or my family's personal circumstances as they occur.

I understand that if I provide false or incomplete information I will have to repay any money given to me to help me study

I understand that payment is conditional on my meeting the following standards:

- attending school; every lesson, every day and be on time.
- take all of my examinations.
- remain up to date with work for all subjects, including homework, and meet all subject deadlines.

Signed : _____ Date: _____

**16-19 BURSARY FUND
RESIDENCY INFORMATION**

This form must be completed when learners indicate on the application form that they have not always lived in the UK.

Surname/Family name

First name(s)

When did you enter the UK?

Where did you live before you came to the UK?

Why did you come to the UK?

What is your current status (or that of your parents) in the UK?

Refugee status

Indefinite leave to remain

Leave to remain until _____

Asylum Seeker

European Economic Area Migrant Worker

**Please provide copies of
your passport and any
Home Office papers.**

DECLARATION BY LEARNER

- *The information I have given on this form is accurate.*
- *I will inform you immediately of any change in either my own or my family's personal circumstances as they occur.*
- *I understand that if I provide false or incomplete information I will have to repay any money given to me to help me study*

Signed : _____ Date: _____

Student Bank Account Information

This will be used to process payments to the student directly – please check all details are accurate before submitting. Once processed this information will be destroyed in line with GDPR policy.

Bank Name	
Account Holder Name	
Sort Code	
Account Number	



To: Parents/Carers

Gospel Oak School

Bilston Road
Gospel Oak
Tipton
West Midlands
DY4 0BZ

T 0121 556 1351

F 0121 506 7833

W www.gospeloakschool.co.uk

28th June 2024

Our Ref: MC.KH.3057

Your Ref:

Dear Parent / Carer,

Re: Nut-free Environment

We are writing to inform you of an important policy change at Gospel Oak School aimed at ensuring the health and safety of all our students and staff.

Effective 8th July, Gospel Oak School will become a nut-free environment.

This decision has been made due to the presence of several staff and students with severe nut allergies. For those affected, exposure to nuts can result in life-threatening allergic reactions. It is our collective responsibility to provide a safe environment for everyone within our school community.

To support this initiative, we kindly ask for your cooperation with the following guidelines:

- **Avoid sending any foods containing nuts:** This includes peanuts, tree nuts (such as almonds, cashews, walnuts, etc.) and any products made with or containing nuts.
- **Check labels carefully:** Many packaged foods may contain nuts or be produced in facilities that handle nuts. Please read ingredient lists and allergen warnings to ensure the safety of our students and staff.
- **Alternative snacks and lunches:** There are many delicious and nutritious nut-free alternatives available. If you need ideas or suggestions, please feel free to contact the school for guidance.
- **Education and awareness:** Please talk to your son/daughter about the importance of not sharing food with others and understanding the significance of this new policy.

We understand that this may require some adjustments, but the safety and well-being of our school community are of utmost importance. We greatly appreciate your understanding and support in making Gospel Oak School a safe place for everyone.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact us. Your cooperation is crucial, and together, we can ensure a secure and inclusive environment for all our students and staff.

Thank you for your attention to this matter and for helping us create a safer school environment.

Mr M Clapham
Estates Hub Manager



To: Parents/Carers

Gospel Oak School

Bilston Road
Gospel Oak
Tipton
West Midlands
DY4 0BZ

T 0121 556 1351

F 0121 506 7833

W www.gospeloakschool.co.uk

28th June 2024

Our Ref: SBO.KH.3058

Your Ref:

Dear Parent/Carer,

Re: Importance of AM and PM Registration Marks

We are writing to emphasise the importance of ensuring that your son/daughter attends school every day. Regular attendance is essential for your son's/daughter's success and helps us maintain a safe and supportive learning environment.

It is crucial that your son/daughter gets their AM and PM registration mark, as they directly impact your son's/daughter's overall attendance record. Missing either the tutor time or period 4 registration mark can negatively affect their attendance percentage, which is an important factor in their academic progress and well-being.

If you have any questions or need further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact your son/daughters head of year or year team lead.

Kind regards,

Miss S Bott
Vice Principal