



## Brownhills Ormiston Academy

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### **Welcome to the students and families of the Class of 2030!**

Dear new students and families,

Welcome to Brownhills Ormiston Academy. We are so proud of our school and our community, so thank you for choosing us as your secondary school. We have been oversubscribed for several years. This means that more students want to attend Brownhills than we have spaces for, so many congratulations on securing a place!

This is an extremely exciting moment. We are beginning a journey together that lasts five years and where you will be supported to work very hard and to be highly ambitious about your future.

My promise to you is that the Brownhills team will work tirelessly to ensure that every child succeeds and is safe and happy at school.

In return, we have exceptionally high expectations of our students. We expect every student to work hard in lessons and at home. We make no apologies for being a home learning school, where study and revision at home is recognised as vital for success. We expect all students to behave with respect, to wear our academy uniform with pride, and to be ambassadors for our school in this brilliant community.

For our new Year 7s:

You will probably have guessed that English and Mathematics are extremely important to us. Your knowledge and skills in these subjects are essential for your future life. You will have more lessons and more home learning in these subjects than in any other.

You will also study a wide range of other subjects that will give you a rich experience at school. It is worth you knowing that learning a language, being scientifically curious, learning about the world around you and its history, being creative, staying healthy and safe, and being competitive are also important to us. We are a school that is very well known for our sport, music and drama, and we are a singing school, so get your voices ready!

Beyond our ambitious curriculum, you will have access to a range of wider opportunities, competitions, events, trips and clubs. I strongly encourage you to do as much as you can, to throw yourself into life at Brownhills and to benefit from the expertise and energy of our brilliant staff.

For our new families:



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We will be in touch over the coming weeks with lots of detailed information about the Year 6-7 transition. Members of the transition team will begin sending important details that we know you need. We will also book meetings for families to visit us before the summer holidays so that we can get to know you and your child better before September.

I know that many of you will need to know about our coach service and arrangements are currently being made by our finance team. We will be in touch with you as soon as possible.

I am also in a position to let you know about a Y7 residential trip to Standon Bowers, an outdoor activity adventure centre, which we have booked for 21<sup>st</sup> to 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2026. You will be given detailed information about this visit, including financial costs to attend, during June.

### Dates for your diary

You will be sent detailed information about these events, but I am providing the dates and times for your diaries.

Date	Time	Event
Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> June	5:30-7:15pm	New Year 7 Parents' Induction Evening
Tuesday 1 <sup>st</sup> July	8:45am-3pm	Induction Day 1 for all new Y7 students
Wednesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> July	8:45am-3pm	Induction Day 2 for all new Y7 students
Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> September	8:25am-3:10pm	Year 7 first day

I am very clear that Brownhills students have one chance at their education and that school, families and students have a duty to make it count. This means that our September 2025 intake must and will leave Year 11 in 2030 with the skills, attributes and academic qualifications to enable them to enjoy a life of choice and opportunity.

I know that you have chosen Brownhills Ormiston Academy because you support our values and ambitions. I know that you have chosen Brownhills Ormiston Academy because we share your determination for your child to achieve excellent outcomes to allow them the future that they deserve. I look forward to your support as we work together to make the next five years a success.

I look forward to meeting you all in person.

Yours sincerely,

**Mr R T Doodson**  
Headteacher