### Hallfield Seniors

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### A Very Warm Welcome

It is my pleasure to welcome you to Hallfield Seniors. I am very fortunate to be the Head Master of this remarkable school. This booklet serves as only the briefest of introductions to Hallfield Seniors, providing a glimpse of the opportunities and excitement that lie ahead for your child.

Hallfield Seniors launched in 2020 to educate students 11-13 years of age in preparation for entry into some of the most prestigious and renowned local and national independent and boarding schools. After 5 successful years and an increased demand for a selective, co-ed senior school that offers GCSEs we decided to expand Hallfield Seniors to Year 11. In September 2026 we will be welcoming our first Year 9 cohort, followed by Year 10 in 2027 and Year 11 in 2028.

Our traditions stem from our over 140-year history as a leading independent school in the heart of Birmingham, but our continued success is in our ability to adapt and evolve to the ever-changing world we live in. Our aim is simple: to equip students with the skills, knowledge and attitudes to thrive as global citizens in a rapidly changing world.

Hallfield Seniors provides an exceptional senior school education for families seeking a co-educational, academically selective school with small class sizes, first-class facilities and a nurturing environment.

I invite you to get in touch and have a further conversation if there is anything you would like more information on regarding our seniors provision.

Mr K B Morrow

Keith Morrow

Head Master





# An Exceptional Senior School

Founded in 2020, Hallfield Seniors is delighted to be expanding to Year 11, providing a through-school pathway for all our students, whilst welcoming new students into the Hallfield community from Year 7.

At Hallfield School we continue to offer a pathway at 11+ to independent and state grammar schools. However, we recognise that starting a new school at the end of Year 6 can be daunting and is not the right choice for every student and is why we introduced Hallfield Seniors. For external applicants, Hallfield Seniors provides a smaller, more nurturing environment compared to most senior schools.

At Hallfield Seniors, students can take advantage of a broad and engaging curriculum, small class sizes, specialist teachers in all subjects, tailored pastoral care and an education that is tailored to each student's personal needs. Hallfield Seniors provides an exceptional senior school education in a small and nurturing environment, where they are a big fish in a small pond. Being the most senior students in the school promotes their confidence, encourages accountability and positive leadership.

We challenge and nurture our Seniors to flourish and go on to become confident young individuals



Destination school events and form teacher consultations support you and your child in identifying the most appropriate school at 16+. Dynamic and inspiring career talks given by highly regarded professionals from a broad range of sectors including, medicine, media, law, arts and finance encourage Seniors to think about their long-term career prospects.

Uniform distinguishes Hallfield Seniors from the rest of the school with a green blazer and Seniors tie. Freedoms that mirror other senior school settings, like choosing when to have lunch, free use of the library, quadrant and courtyard at break times and having a common room is introduced to foster their independence and sense of responsibility. To develop their social, physical and creative skills, activities such as golf, ice-skating, cookery school and running an enterprise are available and unique to the Hallfield Seniors offer

We believe Hallfield Seniors delivers an exceptional senior school journey.





#### The Senior Curriculum

Hallfield's excellent academic standard continues into Hallfield Seniors where students can expect a high-quality education based on a broad, balanced and differentiated curriculum. Dynamic and challenging teaching encourages a sense of enquiry and love of learning, enabling students to reach their potential.

#### **Setting Your Child Up For Success**

Our Senior students come from a diverse range of backgrounds – educational, cultural, and social.

This diversity is reflected in the design of the Seniors curriculum. Our differentiated curriculum recognises that each child has differing needs and relative areas of strength and weakness. This approach gives each student the best opportunity to succeed.

Hallfield Seniors is committed to mixed ability teaching. Students are profiled on arrival in accordance with their entrance exam, information from previous school reports and performance in national assessments.

Profiling and tracking of students' achievements allows all information to be shared by class teachers so that students are challenged and supported according to their needs. The students may be set across the Seniors for Maths and English and according to their aspirations at 16+.

In Year 7 and 8 we expect students to commit to 60 minutes of homework a night (two subjects at 30 minutes) and an additional 20 minutes reading. From Year 9 this will increase in line with the demands of the curriculum and to prepare for GCSEs. Academic planners support students in managing their homework schedule and act as a regular point of contact between home and school.

Traditional marking methods are used, where a number or grade is given to a student's work. Summative marking is used for the accurate assessment of student progress and as a measure of the quality, and effectiveness, of our teaching and programmes of study. Students and parents are encouraged to look at the detail of marking, and comments made, rather than simply at the overall mark given.



Subject	Teacher
Art	Head of Art
Computing	Head of Computing and Digital Lead
Design technology	Head of DT
Drama	Head of Drama
English (including a focused library session with the school Librarian)	Specialist English teachers including Head of English
Games	Head of Games
Geography	Head Master
Hallfield Enrichment	Specialist staff
History	Head of History
Maths	Head of Maths
Modern Languages	Head of MFL
Music	Head of Music
Physical Education	Head of PE
PSHE	Head of Hallfield Seniors
Religious Studies	Head of RE
Science	Head of Science

The library is open all day and managed by an experienced Librarian. Self-directed study is encouraged and prepares children for their next destination.

Lessons on how to use the library and its resources optimises self-study time and their work.

## Opportunities for Leadership

Numerous leadership opportunities are available at Hallfield Seniors, and help students prepare for their next stage of education and life beyond. Roles include Head Boy and Head Girl, Captains and Student Librarians and the Eco Committee. Hallfield's Enrichment Programme runs in parallel to the curriculum and develops life-long skills to foster independence, resilience, teamwork, entrepreneurship, citizenship and social responsibility.

Our son joined Hallfield at two and has gone through the entire Hallfield system.

More than anything, throughout that time we have seen him grow and build his character. He has developed into a confident and positive leader. In Year 7 he became Head Boy which helped him manage his understanding of his own values and moral compass and what it means to be a Senior – taking more ownership and accountability.

As parents, we have seen him go from being a boy to a young man, particularly over these last few years in terms of his achievements and aims. He has gone from wanting to be a Premier League Footballer to thinking more broadly about his career prospects. He has moved around a lot in terms of his understanding of life and his future.

Mr Malik, Hallfield Parent

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#### **16+ Destinations**

Hallfield Seniors has a comprehensive understanding of the A-level landscape. We are able to support you and your child in considering a broad range of options to select the best place of study at 16+.

We hold destination events and consultations with parents and students to help you gain a comprehensive understanding of what your destination options are at 16+.





### Fees and Uniform

Students in Hallfield Seniors will continue to wear the traditional Hallfield uniform, but in addition to a Seniors tie, they will wear a distinctive bottle green blazer to mark them out as students in the senior school.

Included with fees:

- Core hours 8:30 16:00
- Arrival from 7:45
- Aftercare / supervised homework until 18:00 for all Senior students not in clubs. This includes a hot tea.
- · School lunch, morning break snack
- One residential trip in either Year 7 or 8
- iPads for each student
- Music tuition in one orchestral instrument

#### For further information:





## The Admissions Process

The entrance exam for Hallfield Seniors will take place in the Autumn Term before they are due to start Year 7.

For external students, the admissions process involves:

- Registration
- Entrance exam
- Interview with the Head Master
- Scholarship assessment (if applied for)
- Offer of a place
- Acceptance of a place and payment of deposit

The following scholarships are available: Academic, Art, Language, Music, Drama and Sport. An Old Hallfieldian Scholarship is also available and awarded at the discretion of the Head Master to a student that is a good all-rounder.

For up-to-date information regarding dates, fees, scholarships and bursaries, please visit our website: www.hallfieldschool.co.uk

If you feel your child would benefit from a Hallfield Seniors education, or want further information then please contact our Admissions Team at: admissions@hallfieldschool.co.uk or 0121 454 1496.



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