WELCOME TO ASTON MANOR ACADEMY



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WELCOME FROM THE HEADTEACHER



Welcome to Aston Manor Academy
We are very proud of all our students at Aston
Manor Academy and I know that they will do
everything they can to support you in your first
few weeks at your new school.

I want you to enjoy your time here at Aston Manor Academy and I urge you to get involved in as many activities as you can. I also want you to feel safe while you are at school and when you are travelling to and from school. If you are ever worried about anything you must tell a member of staff or an older student and we will sort out any problems.

I also want you to work as hard as you can (your planners will tell us if you are doing this), so that you can stay in our Sixth Form and enjoy success in your GCSEs and 'A' Levels.

So please remember I want you to:

Enjoy School!

Work Hard!

Be Safe!





KEY TEACHERS



Mrs Hussain: KS3 Assistant Head Teacher Mrs Hussain is one of our brilliant Assistant Head Teachers. She is responsible for pupils' behaviour and wellbeing in Years 7,8 & 9



Mrs Oubhie: SENDCO
Mrs Oubhie ensures that any student that needs extra support at school gets it. You can find her office on the ground floor if you have any issues, you would like help with.



Mr Lawlor: Head of Year 7
Mr Lawlor will be your Head of Year when you arrive at Aston Manor, he has very high expectations for all Aston Manor pupils and wants every student to achieve their best during their time here. It is his job to ensure that you feel safe and happy as you start your journey here with us at AMA



Mr Turner: Deputy Head Teachers Mr Turner is one of our Deputy Head Teachers. They are responsible for the wellbeing of all the staff and students and the academic progress the students make.



Ms Ajibade – Assistant Head of Year 7 Ms Ajibade supports the running of years 7 and 8. She will also be one of your points of contact in year 7 to ensure you feel safe at AMA.



Mr Forbes: Deputy Head Teachers Mr Forbes is one of our Deputy Head Teachers. They are responsible for the wellbeing of all the staff and students and the academic progress the students make.



Ms Bollard: Head of Transition
Ms. Bollard will be one of your first points of contact when you start at Aston Manor
Academy. Her role is to ensure you have a smooth transition from your primary school to Aston Manor.



Ms Jones: Safeguarding Lead
Ms Jones looks after some of our
pupils who may need extra help or a
little push for all sorts of reasons.
Her office is on the 1st floor, and she
is always available if you have any
problems.

KEY AREAS IN THE SCHOOL



ENTRANCE



CANTEEN



RECEPTION





ASSEMBLY HALL



FOYER/ BLUE AREA



LIBRARY

THE SCHOOL DAY



The school day starts at 8:45am and finishes at 3:20pm (apart from a 2:50pm finish on a Thursday).

Pupils MUST be in the building by 8.44am

8.45am	School starts
8.45am - 9.10am	Morning Registration
9.10am - 10.10am	Lesson 1
10.10am - 11.10am	Lesson 2
11.10am - 11.30am	BREAK
11.30am - 12.30pm	Lesson 3
12.30pm - 1.10pm	LUNCH
1.10pm - 2.10pm	Lesson 4
2.10pm - 3.10pm	Lesson 4
3.10pm - 3.20pm	Afternoon Registration

Morning and afternoon registration will happen in your form rooms with your form and form tutor each day. Then between these times you will travel from room to room for different subject lessons. In the first few weeks, the teachers will help you navigate your way around!



Change in the school day on Thursdays

8.45am	School starts
8.45am - 9.10am	Morning Registration
9.10am - 10.05am	Lesson 1
10.05am - 11.00am	Lesson 2
11.00am - 11.20am	BREAK
11.20am - 12.15pm	Lesson 3
12.15pm – 12.50pm	LUNCH
12.50pm - 1.45pm	Lesson 4
1.45pm - 2.40pm	Lesson 4
2.40pm - 2.50pm	Afternoon Registration

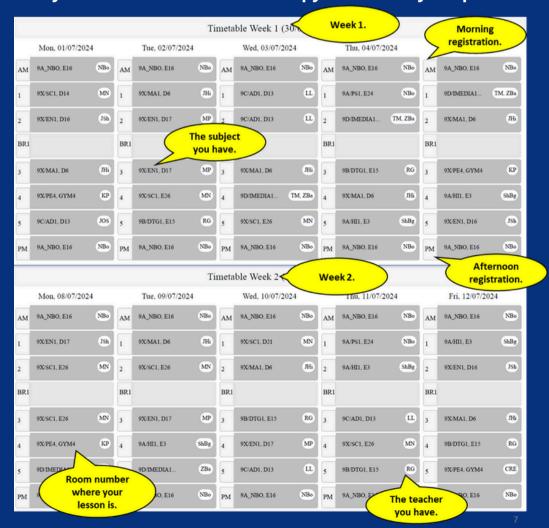
If you're unsure where to go, the reception staff will be more than happy to direct you to the correct room!

YOUR TIMETABLE

One of the biggest differences about secondary school is that you have to follow a timetable: each subject is taught in a different room by a different teacher.

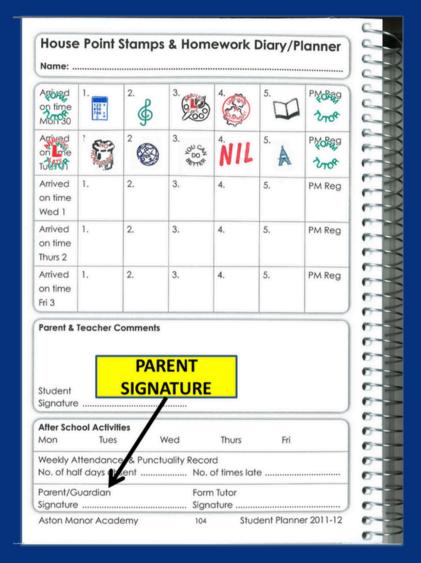
We have a 'two-week timetable' which alternates from Week 1 to Week 2. Your lessons will be different on the first two weeks then reset back to Week 1.

You will have some time in your first week in form to get to know your timetable better and copy it out into your planner.



YOUR PLANNER

You will be given a planner when you start at Aston Manor Academy. The planner is central to your school day – you must bring it to school with you everyday.



The planner is used for:

Collecting your **stamps** at the end of every lesson, indicating your behaviour in that hour.

Recording **homework**, important **information** and dates to remember.

Form tutor, pupil and parent weekly signatures.

Successful





EXPECTATIONS FOR SUCCESS

OUR STEPS TO SUCCESS

BE READY – arrive on time with the required equipment and in full uniform. Listen carefully and follow instructions.

BE POSITIVE – Show positive attitude. Be creative, independent and reflective. Work with others positively. Be prepared to take on challenges.

BE RESPONSIBLE – Value all learning. Contribute to school life and help others. Always do your best.

BE RESPECTFUL – Respect yourself. Show respect to others and respect your surroundings.

Our system for Positive Discipline for Learning is based on our steps to success which are intended to be fairly and consistently applied in a supportive manner in all classrooms. Staff will need to assess pupils' ATTITUDE (involving behaviour, work and co-operation) in each lesson. Children who do well will receive a commendation stamp which needs to be valued by pupils, parents and teachers as evidence of achievement. We intend, therefore that the pupil's planner becomes an effective, detailed, daily communication with each parent of each child.

Teaching staff need to identify pupil targets at the beginning of each lesson and remind pupils of these as appropriate, so that expectations are met and commendation stamps achieved.

If pupils fail to demonstrate the necessary attitude, then the appropriate consequence will apply.

UNIFORM

School Uniform can be purchased from Gogna Schoolwear (see below for contact details)



Gogna Schoolwear, 67/69 Rookery Road, Birmingham. B21 9QU

Email: info@gognaschoolwear.co.uk Tel: 0121 523 5572



You are expected to bring your equipment with you to school everyday. Most equipment will be required for each lessons. It is your responsibility to remember and look after your belongings.

If you lose or wilfully damage anything, you will be expected to pay for a replacement. This also applies to furniture and the school buildings. Valuables:

You must not leave money or valuables in classrooms or changing rooms. During PE lessons, store your valuables in a locker. These are available for a returnable fee. Please avoid bringing large amounts of money to school as the school will not take responsibility for items being lost.

YOUR FORM TUTOR

Your form tutor is responsible for:

- •Registration in the morning and afternoon.
- •Giving out important information
- •Ensuring you have the correct uniform and equipment for the school day.
- •Checking your planner daily.
- •Meeting your parents/carers at parent evenings or other occasions when necessary to discuss your progress.

Your form tutor is the teacher that you will have the most contact with at school and should be your first point of contact if you have any issues. It is important that you develop and maintain a positive relationship with them.





Your form tutors will want to know:

•If you are 'happy' or 'unhappy'

•If you are working hard in lessons

•If you are doing your homework

•If you have any problems.



APPROPRIATE USE OF MOBILE PHONES & SOCIAL MEDIA

MOBILE PHONES & HEADPHONES

Mobile phones MUST be switched of before entering the school. School will not take responsibility for a mobile phone being lost or damaged.

Mobile phones should not be seen or heard on school premises at any time.

If a student is seen using a mobile phone in school, or a phone rings in school, this will result in a member of staff confiscating the phone. If you are seen with your phone in school then it will be confiscated. Your parent/carer will have to collect it from the Headteacher. No filming/photographs/sound recording without permission from staff.

Headphones/Earphones should not be worn/in use and will be confiscated by a member of staff.

SOCIAL NETWORKING

Use social media responsibly.
Only add people as friends if you know them.
Do NOT add pictures that you do not want everyone to see

Make sure your security settings are secure and passwords are kept confidential
It is a criminal offence to have in your possession or to pass on indecent images of anyone under the age of 16. you could end up with a criminal record
If you receive any indecent images or inappropriate material you must report it to a responsible adult.



SCHOOL IS A
NO PHONE
ZONE

ACADEMY WEBSITE

The Aston Manor website has a range of information about the school. There are pages dedicated to students, staff, parents and the wider community.

You can find all sorts of information from the school, whether it be school activities, any letters given out or term times/dates.

Web: http://www.astonmanor.bham.sch.uk
On the website there are useful links for students to
access –revision material, extra-curricular activities or
seeing what the rest of the school is getting up to.

The Sharp System:

On our website, we have what is called "The sharp system". This is the schools help/reporting system which gives students a platform to voice any of their concerns in private.



https://astonmanor.thesharpsystem.com/



Mychildatschool (MCAS)

AAll parents/ carers have anemail set up with this app. You can download this onto your smartphone.

Bromcom

This portal is where you pay for trips, visits and school dinners. You can see the rewards your child receives. All homework is set using Bromcom. All homework is set here and you see can your grades and assessments for all Subjects. All information is accessed through the MCAS app



BREAK AND LUNCHTIME FOOD



Some examples of our main meals.

Fish, chips and peas
Jerk chicken, rice and peas
Firecracker chicken pasta
Sweet chilli chicken with noodles
Flatbread pizza
Sausage, mash, peas and Yorkshire pudding
Shepherds Pie with vegetables and roast potatoes
Cheese and potato pie
Quorn Fajita, potato wedges and salad
Beef or vegetable Lasagne, garlic bread and mixed salad



Macaroni cheese with garlic bread

Vegetarian and meat Burgers
Vegetarian and meat Wraps
Chicago Town pizza
Spicy hot wings
Assorted Paninis
Pasta Tubs
Salad boxes
Sandwiches
Wraps







Break time 11.10am
Samosas
Pizza
Popcorn chicken
Toast
Hotdogs
Breakfast pots
Toasties

MUSIC

Can I learn to play an instrument?

YES! There are lots of instruments to choose from



When are the instrumental lessons? All instrument lessons are 30 minutes long, during the school day.

Do I have to already know how to play?

No, you will be taught everything you need to know.



Do I get to take an instrument?

This usually depends on the size of the instrument!

Can I join a music club?
Yes , there are a lots of music

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> Keyboard Club Beat Club – Music Tech Deci4's DJ Studio Musical Theatre Club Samba Band



If you are interested in playing a musical instrument, please see

Ms Derrick

PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Extra curricular clubs are after school from 3:20pm – 4:30pm, you have a selection of clubs you can choose from. The PE department encourage you to attend at least x2 clubs per week (you get rewards for this and it's a great chance to make friends)

Which sports will I be learning about in

You will experience a wide range of sporting activities during PE lessons, including:

Football (Boys & Girls)

Netball

Basketball

Badminton

Gymnastics

Tag Rugby

Softball



Do we get to play against other schools?

Yes, the PE department have a wide range of sports teams which you can be a part of, both home and away games. This is your chance to gain a medal or trophies for your favourite sports!

Do we go on PE trips?

Yes, PE trips are arranged for you and are aimed at students who regularly attend extra curricular clubs and work hard in lessons.

Do you have any weekend clubs?

Yes we have a 'Saturday Sports Club' which starts at 9am – 11am, sports include Football, Cricket and Boxing. This is available for both boys and girls of all ages.



Where should I go when I arrive at the academy?

You can wait in the playground, in the quad or the foyer. There are also places inside school you can go, such as D4a or the library. You must make sure you are at your form room for 8.45am.



What happens if I arrive late to school?

If you arrive after 8.44am you will have to go to reception to get your late mark. Then go to your lesson or form room. You will also get a detention the next day of the late.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

What do I do if I have a medical appointment?

Where possible, you should try to arrange all appointments out of school time. If you do have an appointment you will need written consent from your parent or carer and a letter from the hospital/dentist with your appointment details on. These will need to be shown to your form tutor. The reception staff will not sign you out of school without permission.



At Aston Manor Academy, we recommend that you do not bring items such as mobile phones. Any items brought onto the premises is your responsibility and the school will not accept liability for lost or damaged items. If you do bring mobile phones etc. onto school premises they must remain switched off and out of sight at all times.





At Aston Manor Academy, we operate as a cashless school. Instead of bringing physical money, students can use the school app to pay for food by topping up their balance. All payments are made via our fingerprint machine.

What if I am feeling unwell during the school day?

You will need to find your Head of Year or Assistant Head Teacher who will contact your parents.

THINGS TO REMEMBER

TOILETS

You are advised to use the facilities before school, at break times and at lunch times to reduce the necessity to use the toilet during lessons. If you do require the toilet in an emergency whilst in lesson, you must ask your teachers permission.

BULLYING

Aston Manor Academy will not tolerate bullying. You must speak to someone if you are experiencing bullying or use the SHARP System to send an anonymous email.



UNIFORM

You should always wear the correct school uniform. NO TRAINERS, CAPS or HOODIES. Female pupils are permitted to wear a long skirt and a plain black headscarf.

JEWELLERY

The only jewellery to be worn in school is one pair of studded earrings, a wristwatch and one ring, All jewellery must be removed for P.E. lessons.

ACIEVEMENTS

Aston Manor Academy rewards pupils for good behaviour, attendance through lots of different ways and we offer special rewards trips.





IMPORTANT DATES

UNIFORM SELLING EVENT IN SCHOOL Friday 5th July 2024 3pm - 6pm

All uniform will be available to purchase and take away. Cash, credit and debit cards accepted



First day of school for Year 7 is: Thursday 5th September 2024 10:00am – 3:20pm

If you have any queries, please email:

Head of Year 7:

Mr Lawlor: tlawlor@astonmanoracademy.com

or

Head of Transition:

Ms Bollard: nbollard@astonmanoracademy.com