



**ARDEN**

**Excellence in Education 2015-2016**



**W**elcome to Arden. I hope you found our prospectus informative. This supplementary document details uniform, this year's examination results and membership of our excellent teaching and support staff team. At Arden we pride ourselves on doing our very best for every pupil, helping them achieve their full educational potential as they develop into happy, well-rounded young adults, of whom we can be very proud. However this is a two way street and in return for doing our best, we expect every pupil to match up to the high academic and personal standards that we set as a pre-requisite for being part of the Arden family.

As a parent, the role you play is also extremely important; the standards you maintain at home and the positive conviction with which you support your child's education are hugely important in their success whilst at Arden, and beyond into their adult life.

We hope you feel Arden is a place where your child can really flourish; with your help and support we'll do our very best to see your child reaches their maximum personal and academic potential, whilst also developing into a happy, successful and well rounded young adult.

Martin P. Murphy, Executive Principal



### Our Aims

- Arden aims to prepare each pupil to get the very best out of their lives.
- Arden aims to make a suitable environment and create an atmosphere for achievement.
- Arden aims to enable pupils to find enjoyment in learning through doing.
- Arden aims to teach community spirit and our place in the global world.
- Arden aims to ensure each individual is valued equally.

### Detailed Policy Information

Detailed information on key Arden school policies, including Admissions at KS3 and KS5; Equality and the Arden Accessibility Plan; Absence; Homework; Learning Support; Code of Conduct; Complaints; Charging; and ICT; can be found on the Arden school website, [www.arden.solihull.sch.uk](http://www.arden.solihull.sch.uk)

### Our Beliefs

- Arden believes all pupils have the right to learn and achieve uninterrupted by others.
- Arden believes all pupils have the right to be able to take risks with their learning in a happy and secure school.
- Arden believes all members of our community will co-operate with others and will be polite, considerate and honest.
- Arden believes all members of our community will accept that with rights go personal responsibilities.
- Arden believes all members of our community will expect high standards of behaviour and promote an understanding of the difference between right and wrong.
- Arden believes all pupils have the right to have their progress monitored and be provided with regular constructive feedback and the setting of challenging but realistic future targets.

## Arden Boys' School Uniform

Many institutions require conventional dress. In school that dress code is the School uniform. Pupils in a smart, clean uniform enhance their own reputations and prospects by enhancing those of their School. Controlled and sensible behaviour, especially whilst in uniform, should also be regarded as part of the School dress code.

The official Arden uniform stockists are Early Years of Shirley and Palmer's of Knowle. Both these outlets also offer an embroidery service for adding initials to the outside of PE kit.

**It is important that all personal belongings that are brought into school are clearly marked with the owner's name, preferably on the outside.**

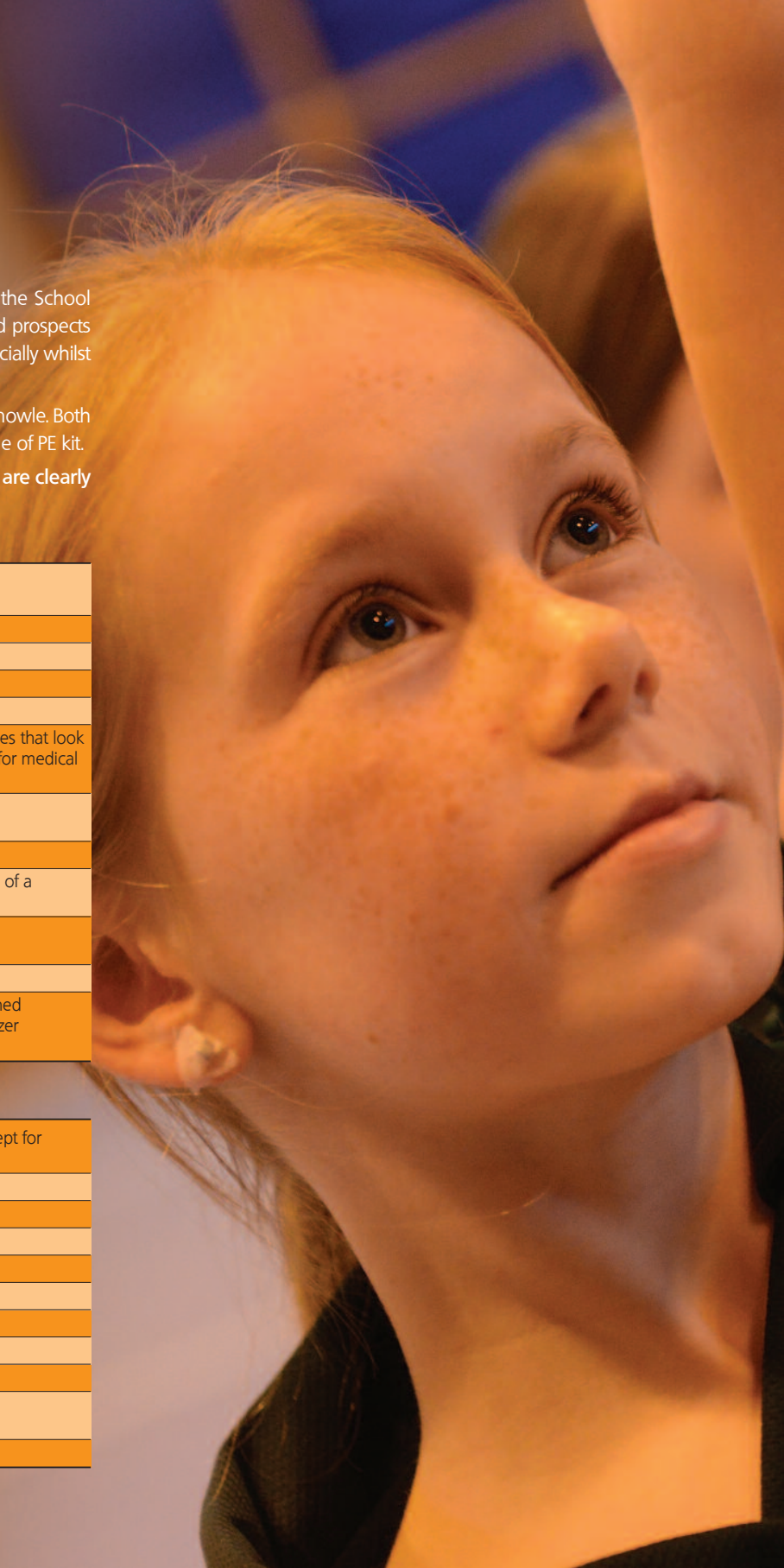
### Academic Uniform

Blazer	School green, complete with pocket badge. A Blazer is compulsory between Years 7 and 11.
Tie	Only the School Tie is acceptable.
Trousers	Black or Dark Grey, regulation school-style Trousers.
Socks	Black or Dark Grey.
Shirt	White, with a collar that is fully buttoned to the neck.
Shoes	Black only, of a solid, traditional heeled style. Trainers (or shoes that look like trainers), or Pumps should not be worn to school, even for medical reasons (except during PE lessons).
Jumper	Years 7-9, Grey with Green or Gold/Green band, Years 10-11, plain Bottle Green.
Scarf	Plain Black or Bottle Green.
Outdoor Coat	Pupils may wear an Overcoat which is completely plain and of a single, restrained colour, without pattern or obvious motif.
Jewellery	No jewellery, other than a Watch with a plain strap. Earrings are forbidden.
Hair	No extreme hair styles or colours are allowed.
Summer Uniform	During Summer, boys may wear a Short-Sleeved Shirt buttoned to the neck with a Tie; Jumpers are optional, however, a Blazer must be worn.

### Physical Education Uniform

Shoes	A pair of clean, laced Trainers of a plain design should be kept for indoor/outdoor use.
PE Top*	Bottle Green Polo Shirt with School logo.
GCSE/Diploma	GCSE/Diploma PE students may wear a black Polo Shirt.
Socks	Short, White.
Shorts*	Black, rugby-style Shorts.
Rugby shirt*	Bottle Green/Gold Falcon style.
Bag	Any plain zipped bag (NOT a plastic carrier bag).
Rugby Socks	Bottle Green and Gold Sock.
Shin pads/Gum shield	Any.
Track-suit bottoms*	Plain black with/without Arden embroidery (NO stripes, logos or piping allowed).
Outdoor Sports Jacket	School Colours, waterproof and windproof (optional).

\* These items should be embroidered with pupil's initials.



## Arden Girls' School Uniform

All requirements and information pertaining to Boy's uniform also apply to the dress of Arden Girls.

### Academic Uniform

Blazer	Bottle Green, complete with pocket badge. A Blazer is compulsory between Years 7 and 11.
Tie	Only the School Tie is acceptable.
Skirt	Pleated style KJ35 (Embroidered 'A' by the band). Skirts must be of a 'reasonable' length, no shorter than 40mm above the knee.
Trousers	Black, straight legged Trousers. No bootleg, hipsters, flairs or other fashion-cut trousers are acceptable.
Socks	Ankle Socks in white, black, dark grey or bottle green.
Tights	Nylon Tights, if worn, must be traditional 'tan' colour. Black tights can be worn in cold weather but must be plain, no fishnets or patterns are allowable.
Blouse	White, button to neck collar.
Shoes	Black only, of a solid, traditional style. Low heels are allowed, but no lightweight Fashion Shoes. Trainers/Pumps should not be worn to school, even for medical reasons (except during PE lessons).
Jumper/Cardigan	Years 7-9, Grey with Green or Gold/Green band, Years 10-11, plain Bottle Green.
Scarf	Plain Black or Bottle Green.
Outdoor	Pupils may wear an Overcoat which is completely plain and of a single, restrained colour, without pattern or obvious motif.
Jewellery	No jewellery other than a Watch with a plain strap may be worn. Girls with pierced ears may wear one plain Stud in each earlobe.
Make-up	Make-up is not allowed. Colourless Nail Varnish is acceptable.
Hair	Long hair should be tied back in practical lessons using plain Bottle Green or Black Slides or Bands. No extreme hair styles or colours are allowed.
Summer Uniform	During Summer, girls may wear a Short-Sleeved Blouse with open neck and no Tie; Cardigans/Jumpers are optional, however, a Blazer must be worn.

### Physical Education Uniform

Shoes	A pair of clean, laced Trainers of plain design should be kept for indoor/outdoor use.
PE Top*	Green aertex style Shirt with short sleeves, open neck and featuring the School logo.
Socks	Short, white.
Shorts	Black lycra Cycling Shorts.
Skirt*	Bottle green, combination shorts/skirt.
Bag	Any plain zipped bag (not a plastic carrier bag).
Hockey socks	Bottle Green and Gold sock.
Shin pads/Gum shield	Any.
Optional Items	Some pupils prefer to provide their own Tennis Racket and Hockey Stick.
Track-suit bottoms*	Plain black with or without Arden embroidery (no stripes, logos or piping allowed).
Rugby shirt*	Bottle/gold Falcon style. Though optional, this is the only allowable long sleeved top.
Outdoor Sports Jacket	School Colours, waterproof and windproof (optional).

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## The School Day and Year

Mon/Tue/Wed/Friday	Thursday
<b>08:40</b> Registration	<b>08.40</b> Registration
08:45 Form Period	
09:05 Period 1	08:45 Period 1
<b>10.05</b> Break	<b>09:45</b> Break
10.30 Period 2	10:05 Period 2
11.30 Period 3	11:05 Period 3
<b>12:30</b> Lunch	<b>12:05</b> Lunch
<b>13:25</b> Registration	<b>13:05</b> Period 4 Registration
13:30 Period 4	14:05 Period 5
14:30 Period 5	15:05 Mentoring
<b>15:30</b> End of school	<b>15:30</b> End of mentoring

**Timetable:** Arden operates a two week timetable.

*Please Note: A full cafeteria service is provided at both morning break and lunchtime.*

## The School Year 2015-16

<b>Autumn Term 2015</b>	2 September - 18 December 2015 Half Term 26-30 October 2015
<b>Spring Term 2016</b>	4 January - 23 March 2016 Half Term 15-19 February 2016
<b>Summer Term 2016</b>	11 April - 22 July 2016 Half Term 30 May - 3 June 2016
<b>Inset Days 2015/16</b>	To be confirmed

## GCSE Performance 2014

GCSE Students scoring 5 A\*-C 99%  
5 A\*-C including English and Maths 85%

Subject	A*/A	A*-C	A*-G
Mathematics	35%	88%	100%
English	28%	92%	100%
English Literature	33%	98%	100%
Biology	52%	95%	100%
Chemistry	51%	98%	100%
Physics	56%	97%	100%
Science Core	11%	90%	100%
Science Additional	15%	94%	100%
Geography	50%	87%	100%
Dance	8%	77%	100%
Art Fine	39%	100%	100%
Business Studies	38%	83%	100%
History	43%	81%	100%
Home Economics	37%	97%	100%
Chinese	44%	89%	100%
French	25%	72%	100%
German	19%	57%	100%
Italian	41%	88%	100%
Spanish	43%	86%	100%
PE	26%	85%	100%
Drama	69%	100%	100%
Music	45%	97%	100%
Textiles	53%	95%	100%
Resistant Materials	11%	78%	100%
Graphics	72%	93%	100%

## BTEC Performance 2014

BTEC Students scoring a Pass 100%

Subject	Dist.*/Dist.	Dist.*-Pass.
Science Certificate	0%	100%
Business Certificate	44%	100%
Engineering Certificate	64%	100%
Health & Social Care Diploma	52%	100%
Travel & Tourism	10%	100%
ICT	69%	100%
Sports Certificate	31%	100%

BTEC Distinction\* is equivalent to GCSE A\*.

BTEC Distinction is equivalent to GCSE A.

BTEC Merit is equivalent to GCSE B.

BTEC Pass is equivalent to GCSE C.



## A Level Performance 2014

Average points score per entry	230
Average points score per pupil	842
A Level passes (A*-E)	99%
A Level entries achieving A*/A grades	35%
A Level entries achieving A*-B grades	63%

Subject	A*/A	A*-C
Art	44%	72%
Biology	40%	66%
Business Studies	29%	57%
Chemistry	37%	60%
Drama	43%	71%
Economics	18%	55%
English Language/Literature	33%	63%
English Literature	47%	74%
Environmental Science	0%	20%
French	50%	67%
Further Mathematics	43%	86%
Geography	50%	80%
Government & Politics	17%	67%
History	33%	76%
Home Economics	0%	38%
ICT	0%	100%
Law	40%	50%
Mathematics	52%	72%
Music	20%	40%
Physical Education	100%	100%
Photography	13%	63%
Physics	18%	45%
Product Design	50%	83%
Psychology	30%	58%

## Arden Staff

The Arden team comprises a cohesive and highly professional combination of teachers, managers and support staff. This substantial group is overseen and guided by a Board of Governors made up of parents, Arden staff and members of the local community.

### The Senior Management Team

Executive Principal	Mr M Murphy
Principal	Mr D Burgess
Senior Vice Principal	Mrs C Robinson

Assistant Principals	Mr P Simpson (Head of Sixth Form)
	Mrs E Allton
	Mrs E Collett
	Mr P Kilbey
	Mrs S Lewsey
	Mr D Warwood (SENCO)

Business Manager	Mr A Hinsley
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### Pastoral Staff

Key Stage 4 Co-Ordinator	Mr D Warwood
Key Stage 3 Co-Ordinator	Mr M Hooper

Head of Year 7	Ms R Duffy-Turner
Head of Year 8	Mr J Reed
Head of Year 9	Mrs N Crawford
Head of Year 10	Mrs J Whitehead
Head of Year 11	Mr G Singh
Head of Sixth Form	Mr P Simpson
Deputy Head of Sixth Form	Ms K Griffiths

Pastoral Care and Learning Mentor	KS4 Mrs J Llewellyn
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Pastoral Assistant	KS3 Mrs S Quinney
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Director Of Learning Support	Miss K Lett
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Vulnerable Pupil Co-ordinator	Mrs D Hull
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### Staff by Department

#### Business Studies/Economics/Law/ICT

Mrs C Blundell	Head of ICT/Computing
Mr C Hughes	ICT/Computing
Ms S Lane	Business Studies/ICT /Economics
Mrs V McDonald	Business Studies/Economics
Miss A O'Brien	ICT/Computing
Ms A O'Malley	Business/Economics
Mrs J Pritchard	Head of Business Studies/Economics/Careers
Mrs H Smitheman	Law

#### Design Technology and Art

Mr A Eades	Head Of Design Technology
Mrs E Allton	Design Technology
Mr J Reed	Design Technology
Mrs L Hayward	Design Technology/Textiles
Mr R Crawley	DT Support Technician
Mrs P Astle	Head of Art/Photography
Mrs N Crawford	Art
Miss K Haines	Art/Textiles
Mrs J Whitehead	Art/Textiles
Mrs R Whaley	Art/Textiles
Mrs R Meakin	Art/Photography Technician
Mrs E Bennett	Food
Mrs M Herbert	Food
Mrs A Hunt	Food Technician
Miss F Hyett	Hairdressing

#### English

Mr C Brown	
Miss J Cook	
Miss C George	
Mr S Gillespie	
Mr A Green	
Mrs F Hale	
Mrs E Ho	
Mrs L Hodgkinson	
Ms S Kavanagh-Kenny	
Mr T Kirby	
Miss R Miles	
Miss S Northover	
Ms G Thompson	
Mr D White	Head Of English
Miss C Wood	

#### History/Geography/RE/PSHE/Psychology

Miss R Duffy-Turner	Psychology
Mr P Simpson	Psychology
Mrs E Collett	History/ Government & Politics
Miss R Duerdin	Head of History
Miss K Lett	History
Miss E Matthews	History
Mrs M McGillion	History
Miss J Tite	History/Government & Politics/Psychology
Miss K Way	History/Government & Politics
Mr P Lorán	Geography
Mrs R Newlands	Geography
Miss R Walsh	Geography
Miss K West	Head Of Geography
Mrs S Dereza	Head of RE
Mr S Anwar	RE and PSHE

#### Mathematics

Miss D Cassidy	
Ms K Griffiths	
Miss A Hardman	
Mrs S Hawker	
Mr J Hill	
Mr P Kilbey	
Mr M Kimber	
Miss C Petley	
Mrs E Peapell	
Mr L Richards	
Miss L Roche	
Mr G Singh	
Dr G Smye	Head of Mathematics
Mr N Spence	
Mr C Wood	
Miss L Woodford	

### Modern Foreign Languages

Mrs A Barrett	
Mrs K Brennan	
Miss C Costanza	
Mrs M De Risio	
Ms C Dommart	
Mr I Edgington	Head of Modern Foreign Languages
Miss C Haley	
Mrs R Harrison	
Mr J Subires	
Ms S Wardle	
Mrs L Yang	

### Physical Education

Mrs R Churchill	Acting Head of PE
Miss S Bain	Head of PE (Maternity)
Mrs C Heard	
Mr M Hooper	
Mrs D Hull	
Mr R Hunt	Acting Head of PE
Mr A Pillinger	
Miss F Sheppard	
Mr N Spence	
Mr D Warwood	
Mr C Wood	

### Performing Arts

Miss A Cassells	Music
Mr L James	
Miss N Kouhi	Drama & Media Studies
Ms S Lewsey	
Dr R Seago	Head of Music & Media Studies
Mrs G Warrender	Head of Drama
Miss E Welling	Drama & Media Studies
Mr R Proudfoot	PEPA Technician

### Science

Dr J Cannadine	
Mr M Davis	
Mrs J Dean	
Mr M Doran	
Mrs C Few	
Mr J Gethins	
Mrs A Harnett	
Dr L Hayes	
Mrs M Hayre	
Mrs R Haywood	
Mrs S King	
Miss L Page	
Mr A Phillips	Head of Science
Mr R Sandford	
Mr R Smith	
Mrs L Allen	Science Technician
Miss H Fulcher	Science Technician
Mr S Homer	Science Technician

### The Learning Zone

Mrs C Birch	
Mrs J Bradley	Learning Support Manager
Mrs C Butler	
Mrs J Hemmings	
Miss K Lett	Director Of Learning Support
Mrs J Miners	
Mrs A Sanders	
Mrs P Scott	Lead Learning Support Assistant
Mrs B Whitney	

### IT Support

Mr F Chowdhury	
Mr E Cooper	
Mr Y Hennous	Network Manager
Mr T Jelfs	

### Associate Staff

Mrs C Austin	Finance Manager
Mrs P Baker	Facilities Officer
Mr S Brady	Careers Advisor
Mrs M Bull	PA To Principal
Mrs S Butcher-Johns	Attendance Officer/Events Co-Ordinator/Administration
Miss J Carter	PA to the Vice-Principals
Mrs A Dann	Receptionist
Mrs M Foulkes	Exam Officer
Mrs S Gaskin	Finance Assistant
Mrs C Hyde	Sixth Form Secretary/Administrator
Mrs H Jamieson	Sixth Form Secretary/Administrator
Mrs A Jenkins	Librarian
Mrs C Lamprell	Receptionist
Mrs J McCrone	Admissions Officer/Administration
Mrs S McRobinson	Data Manager
Miss S Mughal	Finance Assistant
Mrs P Steele	Reprographics Technician
Mrs J Wood	Receptionist

### Cover Supervisors/Learning Mentors

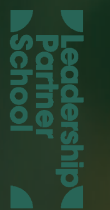
Miss C Battle	Learning Mentor
Mrs S Bhurra	Senior Cover Supervisor
Mr M Coall	
Mrs A Crane	

### Lunchtime Supervisors

Mrs N Kay	
Mrs R Kirby	
Mrs H Phillips	
Mrs N Sharpe	

### Site Officers

Mr P Brown	Site Manager
Mr D Hayes	
Mr R Mullett	Mini-Bus Driver
Mr K Potter	



**Mission Statement:** Arden is a centre of excellence; we have the very highest aspirations across the whole range of curricular and extra-curricular work. Outstanding academic performance is underpinned by exemplary care and guidance; our ethos is fundamental in ensuring that everyone works together and is supported and challenged appropriately to achieve their very best. We pride ourselves in being a happy and safe school rooted in the local community.

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Complete our online Application Form on the Arden website at [www.arden.solihull.sch.uk](http://www.arden.solihull.sch.uk)

Executive Principal Martin P. Murphy BA Hons.

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