



Welcome to Selly Park

Year 7 2022

Welcome from Mrs Darwood - Headteacher



Welcome to all of our new Year 7 pupils who will be joining us in September 2022. It is an exciting time for you as you will be starting your secondary education. Selly Park is an amazing school with so many opportunities for you to delve into; from school trips and school showcases to international council and in-house competitions.

I have worked at Selly Park for 18 years, starting as a Teacher and now residing as a very proud Head Teacher for our school. I have two fantastic daughters who are also teachers and a puppy called Poppy.

We have amazing teachers and staff at Selly Park who put you at the heart of everything they do. By working together we ensure that all students enjoy their time at school, make excellent progress and leave us as confident learners with the necessary skills and attitudes to lead successful and fulfilling lives.

We are all looking forward meeting you properly and getting to know you as you carve out your future; we will support you all the way!

Selly Park

A beacon of Inspiration and Aspiration

A vibrant school with inspirational teachers and aspirational pupils that engages with our partners to develop confident, knowledgeable and highly skilled pupils who are ready to succeed in the wider world.

Inspirational Teachers

Teaching and Learning

Leadership and Management

Professional Responsibilities



Kind & Aspirational Pupils

Behaviour and Attitude

Learning and Engagement

Personal Development



Engaged Stakeholders

Parents

Community

Partners



Vibrant Environment

Culture

Learning Beyond the classroom

Buildings and Facilities





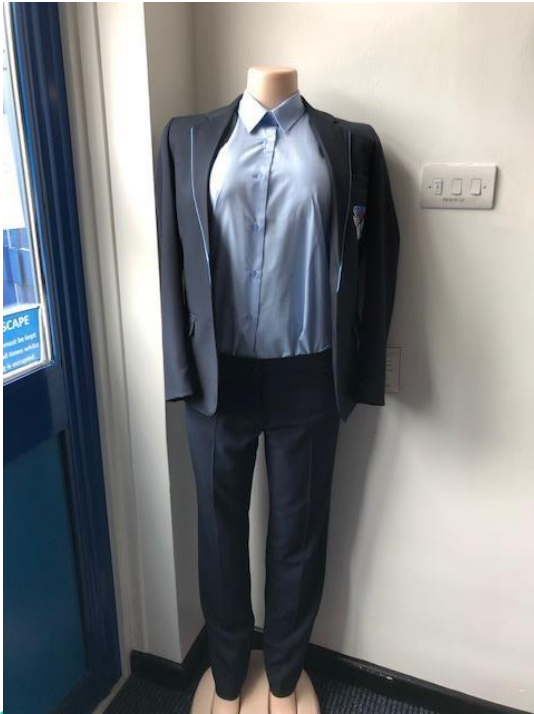
Our School Building

- Here are some pictures of key areas in and around our school.
- You are also given a map in your planner to help you find rooms.
- Don't forget, you can always ask someone for directions!

Reception

When you come to reception you will see a waiting area with out Core Values and also an example of our uniform.

We have two reception staff, Mrs McManus and Mr Shabir who are so helpfully and friendly and will help you with anything you need.



First Aid

- If you are ever hurt or unwell whilst at school, we have a first aid room and a number of qualified first aiders to help you.
- When you start at Selly Park we will ask you all about any medical requirements you have, so we can make sure we can keep you safe and well whilst at school.



A Map to help you find your way

- As soon as you walk through into the school from Reception you will find this big map on the wall to help you see where you are and which way you need to go.
- The school will seem big at first but you will soon know every corridor and room number so don't worry.



Science and Design Technology

We have some amazingly well equipped departments in school. Two of those are the Science and DT rooms.



Different Classrooms around school



The Hall and Dinner Hall



We hold exams, assemblies and performance events in our large hall



We have a break time and a lunch time everyday. During these times you can purchase food from our canteens. We have recently had a new mural of our inspirational women added in the canteen

Who's Who?



Welcome Year 7s. My name is Mr Moore and I am the Deputy Head Teacher at Selly Park. I work closely with Mrs Darwood, the Senior Leadership Team and other staff to make sure that the education and experience you receive at Selly Park is as outstanding as it possibly can be. As well as my leadership roles, I teach History and so there is a good chance that I may teach you at some point during your time with us. Selly Park is a friendly and supportive school and I am confident that the excellent work being undertaken will ensure your transition to secondary school and the time you spend with us will be happy, fulfilling and help you towards achieving fantastic success in the future.

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Hello Year 7s, I am Miss Craig
I am the Senior Assistant Head at Selly Park. I have lots of jobs, one of them being organising the timetable and deciding where you are and in what lessons at all times. I am also a PE teacher so I very much look forward to seeing you down in the Sport's Hall.



Hello new Year 7s. I am Mr Gibson, I am an Assistant head and at Selly Park. I also teach History and Geography – so I may even be one of your teachers in September. We are doing everything we can to get things ready for you so you have a smooth and happy transition when you join us.



Hello I am Mr Arif - I am Senior Assistant Head teacher and teach Business Studies and Computing but my main job is to support students in attending school and preparing them for their exams and future careers. This includes rewarding students with good attendance and preparing students for the future by working with universities, colleges and professionals outside of school to make sure we are doing all we can to help you achieve your career dreams.

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Turner, I am an Assistant Head and also an Art Teacher. At Selly Park, I am in charge of the curriculum and making sure that you all get rich and rewarding experiences as you learn. Check out the page on the Selly 7! I also make sure we keep in contact with your parents and encourage them to be an active part of our school community.

I also oversee behaviour and inclusion at Selly Park. This means that I will work closely with you to ensure that you are behaving in the best possible way, that you are respectful and kind to one another and are self-disciplined, making the best choices regarding your behaviour.



Hello I am Mr Pritchard, I am an assistant head teacher here at Selly Park and also the head of Design and Technology. As an assistant head teacher my responsibility is to make sure that from the moment you enter our school to the moment you leave you receive the best education that is possible. I work closely with all your teachers to help them deliver to you exciting and challenging lessons. I've worked at Selly Park for over 13 years now and look forward to seeing you join our lovely school. I love working at Selly Park because I get to share my passion for designing and making things with all the girls I teach. I have two dogs and enjoy taking them on long walks in the countryside. When I'm not at school I really enjoy spending time repurposing old objects and turning them into new things to use around my house, as well as watching just about any sport you can think of. I look forward to seeing you all soon.



Who's Who?

Hello I am Mr Swan. I have a really exciting job at Selly Park. I manage all the data and get to check on your progress and report it back to you, your parents and teachers. Due to my passion for



theatre, I am also part of a thriving Drama department and co-ordinate our partnership with the Birmingham Hippodrome.

We encourage lots of year 7s to get involved with this, so if you love performing and theatre – you will love our Hippodrome projects.

I'm really looking forward to welcoming all our new year 7 pupils. I'm Mr Walton and I am the Pastoral Manager here at Selly Park. Selly Park Girls School is a fantastic place to enjoy your learning and I am here to help and support you and your family during your journey through year 7 to 11

Head of Year 7 – Miss Stott

Hello I am Miss Stott, Head of Year 7 at Selly Park. I will be there throughout the year to support with your transition into secondary school and throughout the year. If you ever need anything or have any problems please come and speak to me. I am also a Technology and Science teacher so I will meet lots of you in lessons. I look forward to seeing you all soon!



Transition Teacher / EAL Lead – Miss Darwood

Hello Year 7s! I'm Miss Darwood and as well as supporting your transition, I work closely with pupils who speak English as an additional language (EAL). I used to be a Primary School Teacher so I am very aware of how different Secondary school may feel for you. Try not to worry at all; Selly Park is full of amazing opportunities, kind pupils and caring staff. I look forward to meeting you!





SENCo – Mrs Phelan

Mrs Phelan

Hello to all the Year 7s! I'm Mrs Phelan and I am the SENCo here at Selly Park and I also teach PE. I am here to help and support pupils in their Selly Park journey, whether it be in or out of the classroom- I want the very best for you. You can find me in the SEND office or on the netball court! It will great to see lots of you participating in extra curricular activities to keep healthy and active.

I am the Inclusion Manager and I work with the Learning Mentors to ensure pupils with SEND are supported in school. I work with pupils to try and support with any behavioural issues. I also liaise with other local schools to support pupils who have been moved between schools (into or out of SPG) and ensure that they are attending and are supported. I support new pupils starting at Selly Park and introduce them to the school on Day 1 whilst also ensuring they are assessed and timetabled to suit their ability and needs for support.



Learning Mentors



Hi Year 7, I am Miss Westwood and I work as a Learning Mentor here at Selly Park. I am here to support you in lessons but if you're worried or need help with anything outside of lessons too. I have Nurture Groups at lunchtimes if you ever want to join us for a chat and some fun activities! I also speak a few languages, so if English is your second language you may see me in lessons for EAL (English as an Additional Language)



Hello you! Welcome at Selly Park. It's great to see you here. I'm a Learning Mentor and hope to help you with...you guessed, your learning! I might see you in English, maths or science but anything else you need some help with, feel free to ask. I love my sports so if you're up for a game of hockey or cricket, count me in!

Other Staff in School



Hi, I am Mrs Newton, I am the Head of History and also in charge of Teaching and Learning here at Selly Park. I have been teaching at this school for 25 years now so I may have taught some of your mums!! I have a cat called Misty and in my spare time I love to reading and photography. I'm also really keen on Archaeology as I studied this at university, although I don't go on any digs now!



I'm Mrs Johnston, Head of English at Selly Park. I love literature and have a great team of teachers who are committed to helping you all do your best in English. Some of you will be taught by me in your lessons. I am also part of the extended leadership team and make sure that the training that teacher's receive helps you to learn really well whilst at Selly Park. Please say hello if you see me – I am looking forward to meeting you all!

I'm Mr Qureshi, Head of Maths at Selly Park. I want all the girls at this school to achieve their very best in all subjects. I am always here and around should you need any extra help or support in Maths. When I'm not working I enjoy spending time with my family, music and sports.



Hello Year 7, welcome to Selly Park Girl's. My name is Miss Bennett, I am Head of Science. We have 7 Science teachers here who are all very excited to meet you and a fantastic new Science block. Science is an amazing subject, where you'll learn about how and why things happen in our natural world. I am sure I will teach many of you during your time here and I hope to see lots of you at Science club! I am a huge Harry Potter fan and I look forward to teaching you all about potions! I'm really looking forward to meeting you all!

Hello everyone! I am Miss C Johnson, I am the Head Teacher's Personal Assistant and our Young Carers Lead.

I remember my first day of secondary school and I was so nervous and scared but excited too as I was going to 'big school' so I completely understand how you feel.

Your first day will be so much fun as you will get to meet all of us and all of the other year 7's who will feel exactly the same. I met some of my friends at Secondary School who are still my friends now.

I have the best job as I lead our young carers team, we meet once or twice a month for an informal chat over breakfast or lunch. If you are a young carer make sure you come and find me in September.

I also look after our lovely Head Teacher, Mrs Darwood. She is an amazing Head Teacher who puts all of our pupils above everything else. She will stop at nothing to make sure everyone has the best education possible. I am looking forward to meeting you all very soon!



Pastoral Support



Hello! I am Mrs Hothi, I am Deputy DSL / Pastoral Manager. I love working at Selly Park because I enjoy the friendly atmosphere and supporting the girls well-being. I am available in the pastoral office, pop in to have a chat! I have a daughter and son, being a mother is the role I'm most proud of. I enjoy listening to music, travelling and socialising with friends. "If you see someone without a smile, give them one of yours"

Hello Year 7's, I am Mrs. Nambiar. I am one of the Pastoral Managers at Selly Park Girls' School. I am also a part of Admissions and Transitions Team. I am very passionate about education and believe every child can realise their full potential given the right environment and support. I am certain Selly Park will bring out the best in you! I look forward to meeting you all and supporting you with the transition.



I'm Miss Holyoake, welcome to our wonderful school! Everyone here is so supportive of one another, it's a great place to be. I'm one of the Pastoral Managers at Selly Park. I have two teenage boys who keep me busy! In my spare time I like to spend time with my family and friends, cooking and trying new recipes. Come and see me if ever you need to share your thoughts or feelings where I will listen and offer advice and support. I love to hear about your days too! Looking forward to meeting you all.

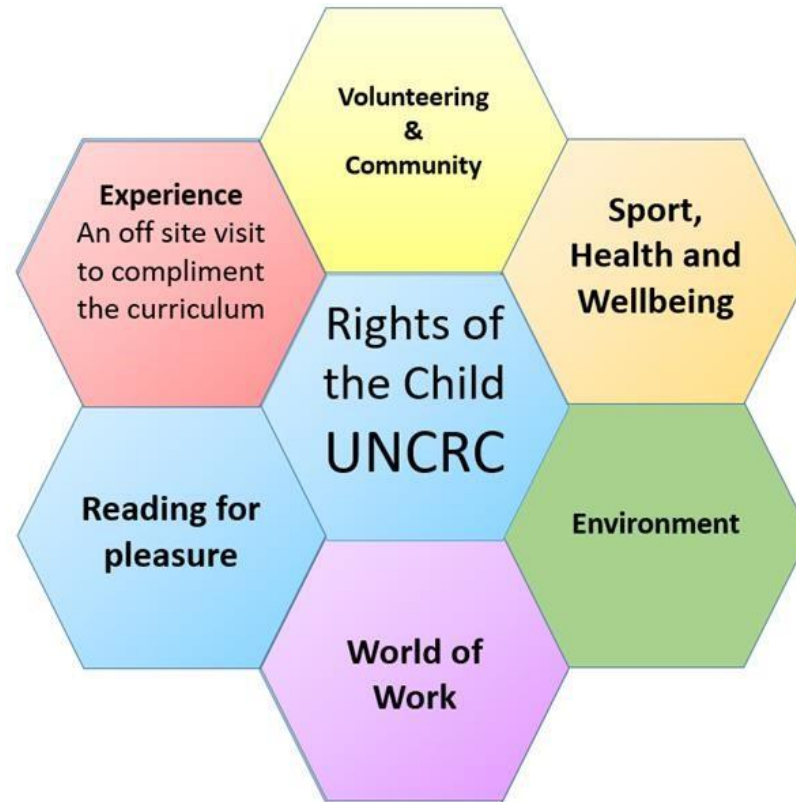


The House System

- We have 6 houses at Selly Park. All named after an inspirational woman. What do you know about these inspirational women?



The Selly 7



The Selly Park Seven

Further Information



For further information please go to:



<https://sellyparkgirls.org/transition-in-to-year-7>



Here you will find all the information you need.



Or contact: transition@sellyparkgirls.org