



Welcome to Park Avenue Girls' High School

The Park Avenue Girls High School prospectus is an informative of our organisation, staff and services. Park Avenue Girls High School is a sizable school which will accommodate up to 100 pupils.

We hope that after reading through our prospectus, you will consider registering your daughter at our school and join our growing community.

Ethos

Our hope is that by providing quality education for the Muslim community, in accordance with the noble Quran and the Sunnah of our beloved Prophet (saw), we will ultimately produce students who practice Islam and serve the Deen of ALLAH. Park Avenue Girls High School will help children to explore and develop their Islamic identity as a natural part of their intellectual, emotional, personal and social development. At PAGHS, we aim to prepare our students to be excellent Muslims and responsible global citizens, with a thorough and deep seated respect for British values. Our goal is to embed in our students, a thirst for knowledge; the determination to succeed and sense of discipline, to enable them to become confident and successful citizens, where ever they choose to live.

Aims and Objectives

Here at Park Avenue Girls' High School we will go beyond the norm. Our challenge is the future; the future is the child of today.

Our aim is to provide our pupils with the quality of education they require to empower them for tomorrow. Following the UK National Curriculum standard, we aim to provide our children with a quality education, within an environment that does not compromise our faith but supplements it. We will not simply teach rules, we will nurture them by creating an awareness of responsibility and respect for all.

Working with our teachers, pupils and the local community we strive to provide an excellent educational base within an Islamic atmosphere. Together we can empower the next generation; we can ensure that they have the knowledge and skills they need to succeed in the years to come.

We aim to:

- Provide a safe welcoming environment in which children can feel confident and secure.
- Value each child as an individual ensuring they reach their full potential spiritually and academically.
- Encourage positive behaviour, respect and the value of working together.
- Give students the opportunity to develop leadership skills.
- Develop in our children, a sense of belonging and strengthen commitment to society.
- Empower our children to become aspiring, effective and productive members of our society.
- We aim to ensure that our girls will grow and develop an Islamic personality based upon the teachings of the Holy Quran and the teachings of our beloved Prophet (saw).

Management of Park Avenue Girls High School

The management of Park Avenue Girls High School has been structured to include community ideas and concerns. The school is headed by a committee of trustees who already run the mosque and other community functions, and will be concerned with the running of the school, its policies and finances.

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The Governing body

Consists of the chairman of Madrasah Taleem ul Quran and the Head teacher of Park Avenue Girls' High School.

Admissions

All parents wishing to send their daughter(s) to Park Avenue Girls' High School, should complete the application and send it to the school together with the administration fee of £100 (please note this non refundable and is not a part of the school's annual fee) your daughter's birth certificate, medical card and a latest school report. These documents will be photo copied and returned to you.

On receipt of application, a reference request will be made to your daughter's existing school. On receipt a satisfactory reference, a confirmation of your daughter's place will be posted to you.

Should it be felt an interview is needed parents and pupils will be invited to the school. A decision for admission will follow this interview and a formal letter sent to the parents. This decision will be made at the discretion of the head teacher and will be final. If it is felt that an application cannot be accepted a letter regarding this decision will be sent to parents as soon as possible.

All parents will be expected to respect the school's Islamic ethos, to nurture and encourage Islamic values at home. All carers/parents of year 7 pupils are invited to attend an Induction day in June of the year of entry.

Parents are advised that our standard admission is 20 pupils maximum in each class. To start with there will be one class for each year group. Therefore parents are advised for early registration to avoid disappointment.

Preference is given to siblings of the school. We cannot process incomplete applications and places cannot be reserved for such applications.

The School Day

(Monday-Friday)

8:30	Registration, Surah Yaseen & tutorial
9:00	Lesson1
10:00	Lesson2
11:00	Break
11:15	Lesson3
12:15	Lesson4
1:15	Lunch & Salah
2:00	Lesson5
3:00	Lesson 6
4:00	Asr salah (winter only) & optional Madrasah
5:00	School ends

Pupils must arrive in good time for morning registration. It would be appreciated if parents/carers give us their maximum support on issues such as punctuality and attendance.

Behaviour and Discipline

We are committed to involving parents and carers as soon as a problem of discipline arises. The form teacher or subject teacher deals with most issues.

The Head Teacher, Co-Head Teacher or governors are only involved when it is felt that the pupils are persistently being disruptive. We have a variety of ways of dealing with pupils who are having difficulties.

These include:

Pupils are removed from the classroom.

Detentions are given after school.

Pupils are put on report when behaviour in all lessons is closely monitored.

Pupils receive a suspension or in very serious cases, an expulsion.

Under no circumstances does the school tolerate any form of bullying. The school has an extremely disciplined anti-bullying policy in place to reprimand any pupils involved in such behaviour.

Positive behaviour management

As a school we recognize the importance of disciplined approach to life in school, our school cannot enjoy a secure and well-ordered environment without it. We believe in rewarding pupils who are positive towards the school, others and their behaviour.

Self Respect

Take care to organise yourself, especially concerning uniform, punctuality and positive behaviour

Take care of your belongings

Work hard and do your best always

Be proud of your achievements

Be co-operative and trustworthy

Think things through for yourself

Respect for Others

Move quietly and sensibly about the building

Be a good listener

Always speak politely; be helpful and welcoming to visitors and people who are new in school

Never bully or act in a way that is unpleasant to other people's work or property

Respect for Learning

Make it easy for everyone to learn and for teachers to teach

Arrive on time to school and all other lessons

Begin and end a lesson in an orderly way

Ask teachers for help when you need it, and always try to help others when appropriate.

Respect for the School Environment

Take care of the school

Respect the rooms and furniture and leave them tidy for others to use

Take care of display work around the school

Keep the school a litter free zone

Think about the health and safety of others both on your way to school and movements around the school.

Health, Welfare and Security of Pupils

Park Avenue Girls High School is a small and friendly place. If pupils have problems they are free to contact their form tutor or any other member of staff.

If pupils become unwell or have an accident at the school and are unable to continue lesson, parents/carers will be contacted as soon as possible. Parents will be asked to sign children out before leaving the school premises.

Taking Medication

If pupils need to take medication, they must always leave this with the first aider. Parents/carers must send a letter stating the dates and times the medication will need to be taken.

Only prescribed medication and Paracetamol can be given.

Appointments

If pupils need to leave the school to attend medical appointments, they must bring with them a medical letter or a letter from the parent/carer. Pupils MUST be collected from school by a parent/carer, they will be asked to sign the child out. A copy of the medical letter will need to be handed into school.

Absences

In the first instance parents are asked to call into school office and authorise their child's absence. A letter of absence should be sent if the call to authorise the absence was not made.

Concerns

We believe it will be easy to contact us if there are any concerns for your child's welfare and needs.

A list of the following policies can be obtained upon request or be viewed on the school website:

www.parkavenueschool.co.uk

1.Child protection Policy, 2.Anti-Bullying Policy, 3.Behaviour Policy, 4.Health and Safety Policy, 5.Health and Safety on Educational visits, 6.Complaints Procedure Policy, 7.First aid policy, 8.Risk assessment policy, 9.Procedures for checking staff, 10.Safer recruitment policy, 11.Safety policy

Park Avenue Girls' High School KS3 Curriculum

At KS3, we strive to offer a broad and balanced curriculum, which though has a keen focus on the core subjects, English, Maths and Science, also offers a wide range of other subjects. We have adopted the KS3 National Curriculum and therefore all our subjects are delivered to these rigorous standards.

Additional educational trips and enrichment activities are organised throughout the year to enrich the curriculum and provide extra-curricular experiences for our students.

Subjects taught at KS3:

Mathematics	Science	English	Citizenship/PSHEE
ICT	History	world Religions	Quran Studies
Art	PE	Arabic&Urdu	Geography

KS3 Curriculum Breakdown by Subject:

		Park Avenue Girls' High School																
		Proposed WEEKLY Subject Breakdown for KS3 and KS4 2016-2017 - The duration of each lesson is 1 hour																
		English	Maths	Science	History	Geography	Citizenship	I.C.T	P.E.	Arabic	Art/ Textiles	Islamic Studies	World Religions	Urdu	Quranic Studies	Reading	Music	Total lessons in a week
KS3	Year 7	4	4	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	1	1	1	26
	Percentage	15%	15%	15%	4%	4%	4%	4%	4%	4%	4%	4%	4%	8%	4%	4%	4%	100%
	Year 8	4	4	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	1	1	1	26
	Percentage	15%	15%	15%	4%	4%	4%	4%	4%	4%	4%	4%	4%	8%	4%	4%	4%	100%

Park Avenue Girls' High School KS4 Curriculum

At PAGHS, KS4 study begins in Year 9 giving our students the best possible chance of achieving their full potential. However, this is also a transition Year between KS3 and the more rigorous demands of KS4 and therefore the Year 9 curriculum has a varied range of subjects. Our pupils will make their option choices at the end of Year 8.

At KS4, we aim to offer a broad and balanced curriculum, giving our students the widest possible range of options. Again there is a keen focus on the core subjects, English, Maths and Science, but also a range of option choices to ensure that our students are able to gain the English Baccalaureate (EBacc) and have the best possible chance of entering into further education.

Additional educational trips and enrichment activities are organised throughout the year to enrich the curriculum and provide extra-curricular experiences for our students.

What is the English Baccalaureate?

The English Baccalaureate (EBacc) is not a qualification in itself. Rather, it is an acknowledgement of achievement for any student who secures good GCSE grades (level 5 to 9).

The subjects the Government have decided to include in this are designed to ensure that all students have the opportunity to study a broad core of subjects so that the doors of future progression are not closed to them. These are subjects most likely to be required or preferred for entry onto degree courses and ones that will keep the most options open.

The subjects identified as being included in the English Baccalaureate are: English, Maths, 2 Sciences, one humanity from Geography or History and a language.

For further information please go to

<http://www.education.gov.uk/schools/teachingandlearning/qualifications/englishbac>:

English

To pass the English element of the EBacc, pupils need to do 1 of the following:

- get a grade level 5 to 9 in GCSE English Language
- take both English literature and English language at GCSE, and get a grade level 5 to 9 in at least 1 of them

Science

To pass the science element of the EBacc, pupils need to do 1 of the following:

- get a grade level 5 to 9 in core and additional science GCSE (in core and additional science, pupils take 2 modules in each of the 3 main sciences: biology, chemistry and physics)
- take 3 single sciences at GCSE and get a grade level 5 to 9 in at least 2 of them (the single sciences are biology, chemistry, computer science and physics)
- get a grade level 5 to 9 in GCSE science double award (in science double award, pupils take 2 GCSE exams that cover the 3 main sciences: biology, chemistry and physics)

Y9 / Y10 - 2016 Student Subject Options

*Ebacc subjects have been underlined

Core Subject	Option 1	Option 2	Option 3
<u>English Language</u>	<u>History</u>	<u>Arabic</u>	Art
<u>English Literature</u>	<u>or</u> <u>Geography</u>	<u>or</u> <u>Urdu</u>	<u>or</u> Textiles
<u>Mathematics</u>			
<u>Combined Science: Trilogy</u>			
Religious Studies			
Citizenship Studies			
Computer Science			

Students at Park Avenue will complete study towards the above 10 subjects, for which they will gain 11 GCSE Grades (Science is double Award).

Subjects have been carefully chosen to match, even exceed mainstream expectations, and ensure that our students have the same opportunities as every other student. We have also ensured that our students are able to gain the Ebacc measure of achievement.

Subjects taught at KS4:

Mathematics	Science (Trilogy)	English Language	English Literature
Computer Science	Design (Textiles)	Religious Studies	Geography
Citizenship	PE (non exam)	Arabic / Urdu	

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	Year 10	5	5	5	2	2	4	1	2	2	2	0	0	0	30
	Percentage	17%	17%	17%	7%	7%	13%	3%	7%	7%	7%	0%	0%	0%	100%

Internal Assessments

At Park Avenue Girls' High School, our assessment Policy includes closely monitoring and tracking student progress through End of Topic tests and strategically placed Core Assessments, in all subjects throughout the year. Pupils will also sit annual End of Year Examinations accordingly within each academic year. Any concerns regarding student progress will be taken up with the parents.

Homework

As a school we strongly believe that homework will support our pupils in different ways. They will learn to work more independently and develop priceless time management skills. It will also help extend what they have learnt in lessons and help them further in following lessons. We encourage parents to check their child's homework by reviewing their diaries each night.

Fees

The annual fees per child will be £1500 (exl resource fees). This is payable ideally at the beginning of each year. Alternatively, in 3 instalments of £500, at the beginning of each term or monthly(All school fees are non-refundable.)

School uniform

Only the school uniform must be worn on school premises at all times. Other type of clothing is strictly prohibited.

Headscarf

The headscarf must be plain white, no patterns or stripes.

Robe

The robe must be plain, black and ankle length. This will not be worn whilst on premises.

Qamees

The qamees must be bottle green, plain, knee length and loose.

Shalwar/Trousers

The shalwar or trousers must be bottle green, plain and loose.

Cardigan

The cardigan with the school logo must be green, plain and loose fitting.

Shoes

These must be black, sensible shoes with flat heels. In winter, black boots are allowed as long as they are flat heeled.

Outdoor Coats

Outdoor coats must be black or dark grey, plain and loose fitted. Denim or leather are not permitted.

Jewellery

All types of jewellery are not allowed except for stud earrings and watches, no makeup whatsoever is allowed in school or school outings.

P.E Uniform

The P.E uniform consists of a Green Polo shirt which has to be bought from the Uniform shop in Hanley, and a long sleeved black top. Loose black jogging bottoms are also required along with sensible trainers and a plain black headscarf.