



**BELLE VUE**  
GIRLS' ACADEMY

# **Welcome to Belle Vue Girls' Academy**

Year 7 Transition Booklet

[www.bvgacademy.co.uk](http://www.bvgacademy.co.uk)



## **Autumn Term 2022**

Tuesday 6th September Year 7 First Day

Friday 21st September Training Day

Thursday 20th October Close for Half Term

Friday 21st October Training Day

Monday 31st October School Re-opens

Friday 16th December Close for Xmas

## **Spring Term 2023**

Tuesday 3rd January School Re-opens

Friday 10th Close For Half Term

Monday 20th February School Re-opens

Friday 31st March Close For Easter

## **Summer Term 2023**

Monday 17th April School Re-opens

Monday 1st May School Closed

Friday 26th May Close For Spring Bank

Monday 5th June School Re-opens

Wednesday 28th June Training Day

Thursday 29th June School Closed

Friday 30th June School Closed

Tuesday 25th July Close For Summer



**YEAR 7 START AT BVGA**  
***TUESDAY***  
***6th SEPTEMBER 2022***



# Ofsted

Our most recent Ofsted inspection was in December 2021 at which point we were judged to be **GOOD**.

You can find the inspection report here:  
<https://files.ofsted.gov.uk/v1/file/50177204>

What is it like to attend this school?

Pupils at Belle Vue Girls' Academy are proud of their school. They like the diversity, the fact that they meet people from a range of cultural backgrounds. Pupils say that behaviour in lessons is good. They enjoy being able to focus on their work without disruption. There is a calm, positive learning atmosphere in classrooms. Pupils are respectful and kind towards one another. The corridors are busy, but pupils feel safe. They are pleased to see so many staff on corridors. Staff know the pupils well. Pupils respect the staff who work with them. The school takes incidents of bullying seriously. Pupils say that bullying is rare. Most pupils and parents believe that staff deal with bullying effectively. Staff have high expectations of what pupils can achieve. They have established a curriculum that enables pupils to succeed academically. Leaders continue to take steps to develop pupils' love of reading. The school has a strong focus on the development of pupils' character and personal qualities. The chances the school offers for pupils to take on a leadership role are just one example of this.



# **Tutor Time**

- **Students go to tutor time everyday at 08:25 until 09:00**
- **Your year 7 tutor is the only teacher you will see every single day**
- **In tutor time you will make friends with other new year 7 students**
- **You will study the personal development curriculum**

Support is offered to our year 7 students to help them to settle in to Belle Vue Girls' Academy. Every student will know who their Pastoral Manager is and who they can approach with any concerns.

Students will be introduced to Mrs Pickerden and Mrs Crabtree and know where they can find them for any careers guidance they need at any point in their Belle Vue journey.

Students will hear at least one speaker from a business or industry, talking about their sphere of work. They will visit at least one place of work. They will have the chance to sign up for the Children's University, and the opportunity to increase their cultural capital with a variety of trips and visits.



# Enrichment

Belle Vue Girls' Academy is committed to offering an excellent programme of enrichment activities and opportunities that every student can access. This complements our broad and balanced curriculum, ensuring that every Belle Vue girl regularly steps outside her comfort zone, experiences something new, and gains the confidence to embrace new opportunities in the future.

At BVGA our core offer includes:

**Citizenship and PSHE**

**Votes For Schools**

A programme of **International Activities**, both within lessons and beyond, including links with our partner schools in The Gambia and Shanghai, visits abroad. We have held the full **International School Award** since 2005.

**Careers Information, Advice and Guidance**

Participation in the **Children's University** programme in Year 7

Participation in the **Duke of Edinburgh's Award Scheme** from Year 9 onwards.

Participation in the **National Citizen Service** from Year 11 onwards. We became an NCS Gold School in 2019.

The opportunity to become an elected **Form Rep**, and/or to represent her Community on the **Student Executive** and to hold office in our **Rotary International Interact Club**.

**As a result, our students are thoughtful, considerate young people, who are proud to be global citizens, and to make a positive contribution to their school, their community, their country, and beyond.**

**Extracurricular Activities**, including trips and residentials and our own, as well as BDAT sports, science and performing arts events. Our vast array of lunchtime and after-school clubs and activities can be found on our website: [bvgacademy.co.uk](http://bvgacademy.co.uk)





## **Behaviour and attitudes to learning at Belle Vue Girls' Academy are excellent.**

We have clear systems and processes in place to ensure the highest standards are consistently met by our students.

BVGA pupils are expected to:

- Strive to have excellent attendance and be punctual and well equipped so that the lesson can start on time and run smoothly.
- Co-operate with teachers, listen and follow instructions so that the learning of the whole class is not affected.
- Be well organised with planners up-to-date, homework recorded, completed and handed in on time so that learning can continue without time being lost.
- Work hard to complete all tasks to a high standard.
- Move around the academy in a calm, quiet and considerate manner.
- Treat the academy buildings and property with respect.
- Be polite and show respect to fellow pupils.
- Wear the correct uniform at all times
- Know and then follow, without question, the procedures laid down in the event of a fire or other emergency.
- Uphold the good name of the academy as we move around in our local community.
- Accept sanctions when given.





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## **Attitudes to Learning**

As well as conducting themselves in an orderly fashion, pupils are expected to show an outstanding attitude towards their learning. Pupil's attitudes to learning will be graded by their teachers twice a year and this will be reported to parents.

## **Rewards & Sanctions**

In relation to the Code of Conduct and Attitude to Learning Criteria, pupils who behave well and bring credit to themselves, their families and the academy will be **recognised** and rewarded. Those who break the code of conduct will be **sanctioned** appropriately.



# **Parent Pay**

*Pay online for school dinners, trips, events, equipment & books*

Why Use ParentPay ...

Convenient & Transparent

- Paying online makes life easier for everyone!
- Saves our school time to focus on teaching

Trusted

- ParentPay has been used by schools for over 15 years.
- Used by over 4 million parents across the UK

Safe and Secure

- Removing cash from school helps keep pupils safe
- Your money is guaranteed to be spent on what it was intended for!

Helps us to help your children

- Going cashless helps us to focus on what is important – your children

What happens next ... It's easy

Step 1 – You will get a letter from us about Parent Pay

- Includes information about how to activate your account. If you are eligible for Free School Meals, you will still need to activate your account to pay for trips, events, books and equipment.

Step 2 – Activate your account

- Use the codes in your letter and you will be able to pay for school dinners and other items straight away.

Step 3 – Don't miss out!

- Now your account is available to pay for future trips, school dinners and other payment items.

Step 4 – Support

- If you need assistance setting up the account or any queries please contact the Finance Office on 01274 492341





# School Meals



Meal deal example.

Main meal & one of the following:

Pudding

Pom bears

Cookie or flapjack

Water or carton of juice

Only £2.50

Fresh fruit pots for only £1.15

Four fresh salads available free with a main meal or design your own for £1 per pot order in advance.

Paninis prepared daily, chicken tikka, tuna or cheese & tomato

£ 2.15

Build your own chicken wraps available

£2.15

Jacket potatoes with fillings of your choice available

£ 2.15

- All meat is provided by authorised licensed halal suppliers.
- 5 Star kitchen as awarded by Environmental Health.
- Certified Vegetarian options available daily.
- We abide by legislation as set out by the Government School Food Trust.
- Special Dietary requirements are accommodated.



# Uniform

## Dress code:

- Plain white school shirt.
- Plain 'school style' black tunic or skirt (may be worn with black trousers).
- Red school sleeveless jumper (Year 7 and 8).
- Black school sleeveless jumper (Years 9, 10 and 11).
- If you cover your head, a plain black scarf can be worn.
- Black low-heeled or flat shoes which must have a back and sides.

## Games/PE:

- Blue BVGA polo shirt
- Navy blue tracksuit bottoms (shorts are optional)
- Fully laced trainers (no pumps)
- BVGA sweatshirt



# Uniform & Equipment

Headscarf for PE (if worn) must be a BVGA scarf from the uniform shops.

In addition:

A sensible bag for books and equipment is essential

Pens, pencils, coloured pencils, felt tips, glue pen

All types of schoolwear and equipment must be clearly marked with the student's name, as this makes the return of lost property more likely.

**Please Note:** No jewellery other than one pair of small stud earrings and a watch. Make-up and piercings are not permitted.





## **Our Safeguarding Principles**

- The welfare of the child is paramount
- All children, regardless of age, gender, ability, culture, race, language, religion or sexual identity, have equal rights to protection
- All staff have an equal responsibility to act on any suspicion or disclosure that may suggest a child is at risk of harm
- Pupils and staff involved in child protection issues will receive appropriate support

Part of our commitment to safeguarding is to support students and parents by increasing awareness of the types of issues faced by young people in society today, as well as providing the guidance, advice and resources which can help to address those issues.

If you need support with a wellbeing / child protection issue, or as a parent / carer you have a concern about a young person in school, please contact reception and ask to speak to a member of our Designated Safeguarding Team.

**Designated Safeguarding Lead**

**Mr Jonathan Patterson**

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# **Modern Foreign Languages**

At Belle Vue Girls' Academy we offer 5 languages:

- Arabic
- French
- Italian
- Spanish
- Urdu

In year 7 pupils will be able to choose one of three of these languages. *\*The languages that are available for each pupil will depend on which band pupils are in.\**

During the first week of Language lessons teachers talk to pupils about the three languages they can choose. In lesson 1 we ask pupils to write their three options in their planners to discuss with their parents.

In lesson 2 pupils choose which language they would like to study. Pupils put a number 1 for their first choice and a number 3 for their last choice. If Arabic or Urdu are available and is a pupil's first choice, they will complete a short assessment in this language in lesson 3.

In week 2 pupils are assigned a language. We work very hard to give all pupils their first choice, but we cannot always guarantee this. Pupils will never be given their 3rd choice. Once pupils have been assigned to a language, they cannot swap languages and will study this language to GCSE. If pupils already speak one of these languages fluently, they will not be able to study this language in school, but they can be entered to do a GCSE in this language when they are in year 10.



# **Bus Routes**

## **Service A7**

West Bowling - Belle Vue Girls' Academy

Belle Vue Girls' Academy - West Bowling

## **Service A8**

Killinghall Road – Belle Vue Girls' Academy

Belle Vue Girls' Academy – Killinghall Road

## **Service A9**

Clayton - Belle Vue Girls' Academy

Belle Vue Girls' Academy - Clayton

## **Late Bus**

This leaves school at 4pm



# A7 Bus Route



Service A7

West Bowling - Belle Vue Girls Upper School  
Belle Vue Girls Upper School - West Bowling

## Routes

Towards Belle Vue Girls Upper School

From Parkside Road, Manchester Road, Smiddles Lane, Smiddles Lane, Southfield Road, Southfield Lane, Hudson Avenue, Cross Lane, Great Horton Road, Horton Grange Road, Ingleby Road, Whetley Lane, Toller Lane, Duckworth Lane, Toller Lane, Bingley Road, Thorn Lane.

From Belle Vue Girls Upper School

From Thorn Lane, Bingley Road, Toller Lane, Lilycroft Road, Toller Lane, Whetley Lane, Ingleby Road, Horton Grange Road, Great Horton Road, Cross Lane, Hudson Avenue, Southfield Lane, Southfield Road, Smiddles Lane, Manchester Road, Mayo Avenue, Raymond Street, Parkside Road.

## Timetable

Parkside Road near Woodroyd Road	DEP	0725
Legrams Lane	DEP	0740
Toller Lane Roundabout	DEP	0755
Belle Vue Girls School	ARR	0810

Belle Vue Girls School	DEP	1510
Toller Lane Roundabout	DEP	1525
Great Horton Road	DEP	1540
Smiddles Lane	DEP	1545
Parkside Road near Woodroyd Road	ARR	1600

## Schools Served:

Belle Vue Girls School Thorn Lane, BRADFORD BD9 6NA

## Operator:

First Bradford 0845 6045460

For any more information, please contact Education Transport 0113 3481122 or go to <http://www.generationm.co.uk/>



# A8 Bus Route

## SERVICE A8

Killinghall Road – Belle Vue Girls' School  
Belle Vue Girls' School – Killinghall Road

**REVISED ROUTE & TIMETABLE:** To accommodate students living in the BD3 area, this service will be extended to serve Barkerend Road and Killinghall Road. As a result of the extended route, the bus will no longer pick up/drop off on Westgate in Bradford. Students who previously boarded/alighted on Westgate are advised to use the bus stops on Lumb Lane instead.

### Route Description

#### Towards School

From Killinghall Road, Barkerend Road, Shipley Airedale Road, Canal Road, Hamm Strasse, Drewton Road, Westgate, Lumb Lane, Marlborough Road, Manningham Lane, Oak Lane, Lilycroft Road, Toller Lane, Bingley Road, Thorn Lane.

#### From School

From Thorn Lane, Bingley Road, Toller Lane, Lilycroft Road, Oak Lane, Manningham Lane, Marlborough Road, Lumb Lane, Westgate, Drewton Road, Hamm Strasse, Canal Road, Shipley Airedale Road, Barkerend Road, Killinghall Road.

### Timetable

#### Operates Monday to Friday schooldays only

Killinghall Road / Greenhill Lane	0719
Barkerend Road, opp. Nuttall Road	0728
Lumb Lane, opp. Darfield Street	0740
Toller Lane Roundabout	0753
Belle Vue Girls' School	0808

Belle Vue Girls' School	1510
Toller Lane Roundabout	1525
Lumb Lane / Darfield Street	1535
Barkerend Road / Nuttall Road	1547
Killinghall Road, opp. Greenhill Lane	1557

**SCHOOLS SERVED:** Belle Vue Girls' School, Thorn Lane, Bradford, BD9 6NA

**OPERATOR:** First West Yorkshire (tel. 0113 381 5000)

For lost property, please contact the bus operator on the telephone number above. For schools transport information, contact Education Transport on 0113 348 1122 or visit our schools transport web site at [www.generationm.co.uk](http://www.generationm.co.uk). You can also follow our Twitter feed @metrognm for school bus service updates.

# A9 Bus Route



Service A9

Clayton - Belle Vue Girls  
Belle Vue Girls - Clayton

## Routes

Towards Belle Vue Girls

From Clayton Road, Bradford Road, Green End, Clayton Lane, Park Lane, Nursery Road, Station Road, Pasture Lane, Clayton Road, Hollingwood Avenue, Clayton Road, Legrams Lane, Ingleby Road, Thornton Road, Rhodesway, Allerton Road, Pearson Lane, Daisy Hill Lane, Heights Lane, Haworth Road, Bingley Road, Thorn Lane, Belle Vue School.

From Belle Vue Girls

From Belle Vue School, Thorn Lane, Bingley Road, Haworth Road, Heights Lane, Daisy Hill Lane, Pearson Lane, Allerton Road, Rhodesway, Thornton Road, Ingleby Road, Legrams Lane, Clayton Road, Hollingwood Avenue, Clayton Road, Bradford Road, Green End, Clayton Lane, Park Lane, Nursery Road, Station Road, Pasture Lane, Clayton Road.

## Timetable

Clayton Fields Works	DEP	0730
Thornton Road Ingleby Road	DEP	0745
Daisy Hill Back Lane	DEP	0755
Belle Vue Girls School	ARR	0810
Belle Vue Girls School	DEP	1510
Daisy Hill Back Lane	DEP	1525
Ingleby Road Plumpton Street	DEP	1540
Scholemoor Avenue	ARR	1555

## Schools Served:

Belle Vue Girls School Thorn Lane, BRADFORD BD9 6NA

## Operator:

First Bradford 0845 6045460

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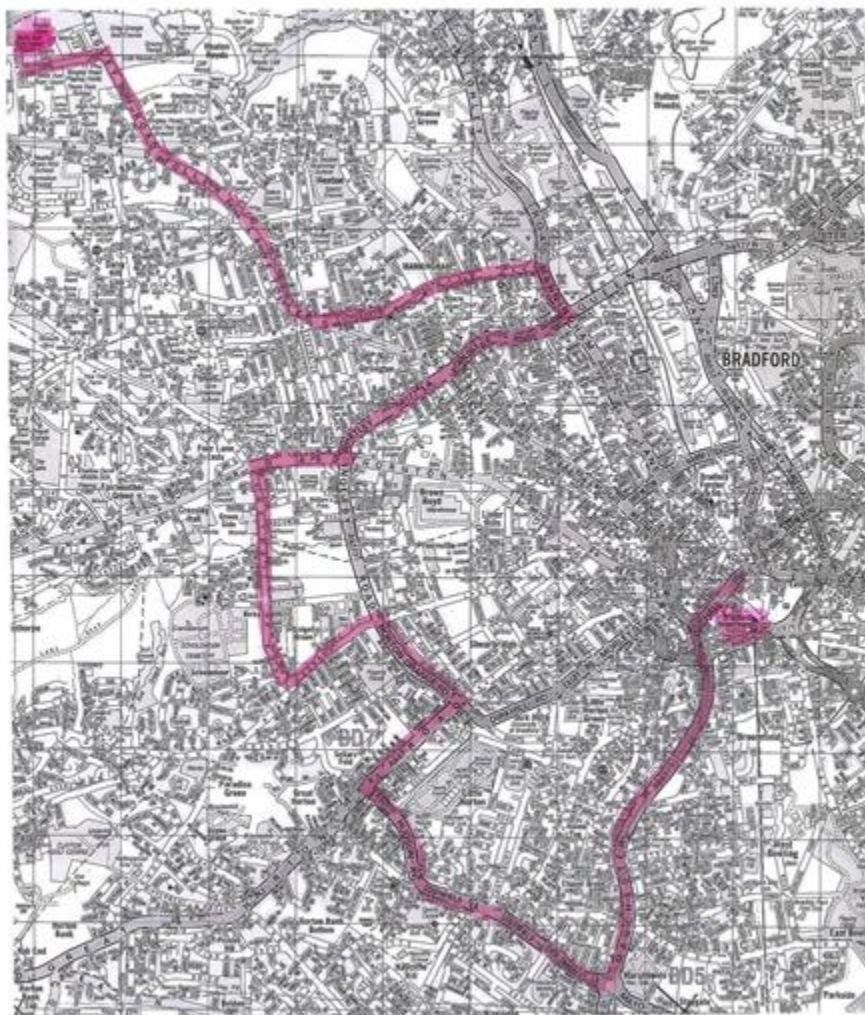
# Late Bus - Departs 4pm.



**BELLE VUE**  
GIRLS' ACADEMY

**A SPECIALIST ACADEMY FOR LANGUAGES, SCIENCE & MATHS  
EDUCATING THE WOMEN OF TOMORROW**

Headteacher: Mr S Mulligan BSc NPQH



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**Late Bus - Monday to Thursday**  
**Leaving BVGs at 4.15pm. Route as indicated.**

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Bradford Diocesan  
Academies Trust

# Top Tips For September

Make lots of new friends  
Speak to new classmates and be nice  
**to everyone!**



CHALLENGE  
**Wow!**

Be organised  
use your planner  
to help you!



CHALLENGE  
**Wow!**

DON'T WORRY ABOUT GETTING LOST  
TEACHERS AND STUDENTS  
WILL SHOW YOU WHERE TO GO!



CHALLENGE  
**Wow!**

## Get prepared

before day one.  
Make sure you have  
stationery, uniform and a PE kit.



CHALLENGE  
**Wow!**

WHEN IN THE CLASSROOM...  
LISTEN TO THE TEACHER



CHALLENGE  
**Wow!**



# Top Tips For September

**Your timetable  
will look scary**  
but it will  
**EVENTUALLY**  
become familiar to you



**SPEAK TO A TEACHER**

IF YOU DO NOT UNDERSTAND SOMETHING  
IF YOU NEED HELP WITH HOMEWORK  
OR IF YOU ARE UPSET



**THEY ARE THERE TO HELP**



What time does  
your bus leave?



Who are you  
walking with?

**Organise**  
travel arrangements



Have you planned  
your route?



Relax &  
be positive



**EVERYONE ELSE IS  
JUST AS NERVOUS**



**Enjoy IT!**



## Times of the School Day

08:25 – 09:00 Tutor Time

09:00 – 10:00 Period 1

10:00 – 10:20 Break

10:20 – 11:20 Period 2

11:20 – 12:20 Period 3

12:20 – 12:50 Lunch

12:50 – 13:50 Period 4

13:50 – 14:50 Period 5



## Top Tips

Keep your equipment safe and tidy in a pencil case and put your name on it.

Make sure all clothing has your first and second name clearly written on it.

## Key Contacts

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