



Our Ref: KW/cjb/uniform

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Dear Parent/Guardian

We are now two weeks into the new school term and I have been very impressed with the way students have adjusted to our new routines and safety measures. Now that students are starting to settle into being back at school I wanted to ask for your help to get our uniform right.

Can I thank parents/guardians for taking time to read the uniform requirements, the majority of our students have returned to school in the correct uniform and look very smart. There are, however, a few students who are not currently meeting expectations and these students have been spoken to.

We believe uniform is important because it sets a boundary, by placing students in a 'working environment' mindset. School uniform places children on a level playing field, reducing the pressure to wear the latest fashionable brands, therefore it is important that all students adhere to our uniform policy.

Can I please gently remind parents of the following:

- Shoes: All students should wear 'school type' black, polishable shoes; no boots or trainers and nothing with a branded logo showing. We will be asking students who are attending in Nike/Vans to change them.
- Skirts: Pleated/Plain Mid Grey Skirt (no lycra or stretch material allowed) – **skirts should not be more than 2 inches above the knee.**
- Hair: 'Grade One' haircuts or other extreme cuts and unnatural hair colours are unacceptable.
- Jewellery: Years 7 – 11: maximum of one stud or small earring in each ear. **No other facial piercings** or different types of piercings are allowed. Should this occur students will be asked to remove the piercing whilst in school.
- Make-up: Is not allowed for Years 7, 8 and 9. Older girls may use it modestly. Nail varnish should be a clear or pale colour but **no** nail extensions, acrylic or shellac varnish. Your child will be asked to remove any inappropriate colours. We have noticed that an increasing number of students have been wearing false nails to school, these represent a health and safety risk in practical subjects, such as PE, so they should **not** be worn in school.

We have spoken to the students involved and we require that they ensure that these uniform issues are resolved over the weekend.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours faithfully

Mrs K Warner
Assistant Headteacher

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