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School uniform expectations

Dear Parents and Carers,

Firstly, I'd like to welcome you back to a new school term and am hoping you've all been able to enjoy some or part of the summer break.

At the end of last term, the Assistant Headteachers took the opportunity to revisit the uniform expectation and sent out a letter detailing the expectations.

Uniform is an important part of a school's identity. It reinforces who we are as a community and helps to allow students to feel pride in their school. It also helps prepare students for life after school where many will have to dress smartly for work.

It would be fair to say that, in the last term, we have a number of interpretations of what is and is not acceptable uniform and we believe it is time to clarify our expectations for students and parents.

We expect students to follow the expectations and those which are sent out to parents within the admissions process.

After half term the Assistant Head Teachers will be carrying out regular uniform checks. If students are not able to comply with school rules then they will be given replacement uniform from our spares box, a phone call will be made home and the student will be given the opportunity to find a replacement. We understand there might be some difficulties around purchasing uniform or finding suitable items and we would encourage you to contact us should this be a problem. This process will follow in line with our new behaviour policy whereby students are given 2 warnings, before a reflection with a staff member is carried out. If at this point the student continues to choose not to attend school in the correct uniform then they will meet with their Assistant Headteacher.

Attached to this letter you will find the documentation given to you during the admissions process, clearly stating the types of uniform required.

In short, we expect:

Skirts – Standard black or grey skirt. To be worn no shorter than one inch above the knee.

Trousers and shorts – black or grey, no jogging bottoms or casual shorts.

Socks – black or white, which are shoe level and do not rise midway up the calf.



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☞ **Shoes** – black, smart school shoes. No boots, canvas shoes or trainer style shoes are permitted, including branded sports makes. We are aware of some students who are required to wear a certain shoe due to medical reasons and we therefore ask if this applies to your child you inform their tutor.

Coat or jacket – to be worn only during unstructured times or when instruction is given.

Make-up, false eyelashes, nail varnish or jewellery – must not be worn for school. Items of jewellery which are not in line with the policy will be confiscated. If ears are already pierced, only one small, plain gold or silver-coloured stud may be worn in each ear lobe. No other body-piercing is allowed, e.g. nose studs, tongue studs or other ear piercings. All studs should be removed for PE.

Hair – should not be outlandish in style or colour and no brightly-dyed/multi-tonal hair is permitted. Hair should be tied up where possible. Hair down is a senior award privilege at KS4.

Senior award holders should ensure they are wearing appropriate, smart, casual home clothes on the day in which they are intitled to do so.

We will be enforcing the uniform policy when we return. On the first day back, staff will check the uniform of all students at main reception. Any students not in the correct uniform will be logged and given their first warning. Staff will be in contact should this apply to your child.

Over the summer we have made visuals for our students which will be displayed within their classrooms and presented to them during assembly. We have also included the behaviour ladder and uniform chart. Please see these attached. They will also go on the website.

If you have any questions about the guidance, please do not hesitate to contact the Assistant Head Teacher for your son's/daughter's phase.

Miss Ackerley and Mrs Enfield – KS2-Year 7

Miss Carter – Year 8 & 9

Mr Mitchell – Year 10 and 11

We look forward to welcoming back all students in September and trust the guidance above makes things much clearer for everyone.

Yours sincerely,
Assistant Headteachers



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Uniform General Rules



Long Hair should be tied up



No Hoodies



No Make-Up



No Jewellery
(except with Senior Award Privilege)

Summer Uniform



White polo shirt with a grey or black knee length skirt



Green & White Summer Dress



White polo shirt with grey or black shorts or trousers



Green jumper, fleece and cap with logo
Plain black shoes (no logos)



PE
White t-shirt with plain black shorts and white socks
Plain black trainers (no logos)

Winter Uniform



White shirt and green/gold tie with a grey or black Knee length skirt



White shirt with green/gold tie and grey or black trousers



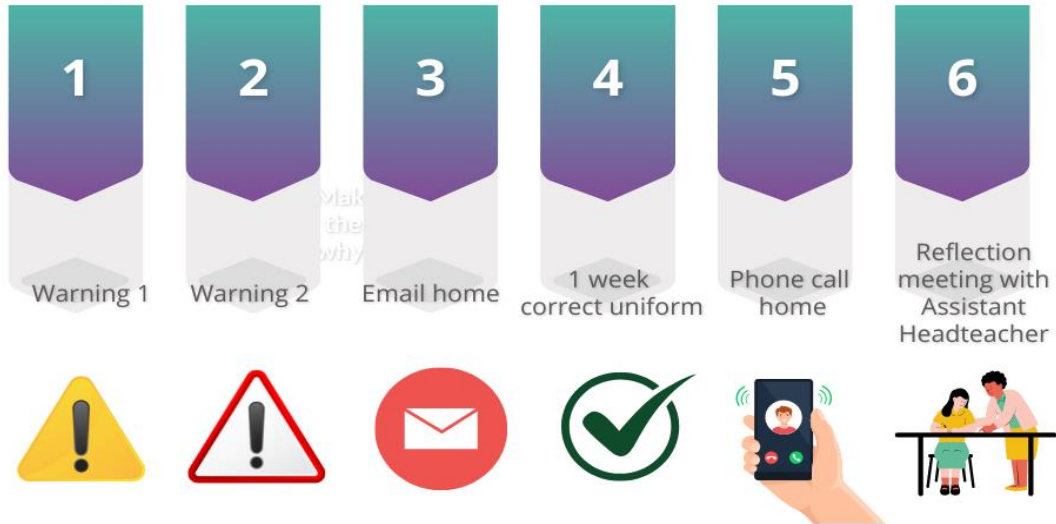
Green jumper, fleece and cap with logo
Plain black shoes (no logos)



PE
White t-shirt with plain black shorts and white socks
Plain black trainers (no logos)



UNIFORM WARNING PROCESS



Behaviour Ladder

Our Values



Be happy and safe



Become confident members of society



Build and maintain good relationships



Develop skills in speech, language and communication



Achieve learning potential



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