



KBe/DH/DE
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Dear Parent/Carer

Welcome back, firstly we would like to thank you for all of your support last term. It has been lovely welcoming everyone back and by and large the students look fantastic. We are writing to you because there are a number of our students who have not returned in the correct uniform and we are asking for your help with this.

Our school uniform is a very important part of our school and we expect that all students wear it correctly and with pride. You can see the uniform guidance on our website, but to clarify the areas we wish to focus on, I would like to draw your attention to the following:

- **Hooded jumpers** are not to be worn around the school site (some students seem to be wearing these instead of a coat) and will be confiscated if seen being worn. They can be collected at the end of the school day from Reception.
- **Shoes** must be worn (not trainers) and they must be plain black leather shoes that do not have a logo. In short, the kind of thing you would wear to a smart occasion.
- **Trousers** Students are not permitted to wear leggings as their school trousers.
- **Piercings** One plain stud in the ear lobe. Any other facial piercings are expected to be removed during school hours; therefore we do not allow the use of clear studs for inappropriate piercings.
- **Jewellery** Students should not be wearing bracelets or other jewellery to school.
- Students in year 10 and 11 who attend the **Construction** course are expected to change for College. When they return to school they are expected to change into their uniform.
- Students should not be arriving into school in their **PE kit**.

When students wear the incorrect uniform it can lead to conflict, unnecessary upset and frustration for all parties involved. Of course, there may be times where issues crop up regarding uniform, and we know that whilst we have tried to keep costs down, things are not cheap. If you are struggling then please contact your tutor/head of house in advance and we will provide assistance. Your support with this means that students are able to remain in the classroom rather than receiving detentions, internally exclusions (isolation) or being sent home. We do not wish to follow this course of action but we will do so if our expectations are not being met.

If you require any support with uniform please contact your son/daughter's form tutor, Student Support Mentor or Head of House.

Yours sincerely

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