

MJC/jr
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Dear Parent/Carer

With the holidays fast approaching, I wanted to take this opportunity to just remind you of the expectations around uniform as it plays such a big role in the identity and ethos of the school.

Our priority on return is to settle the students back into school after such a period of absence and uncertainty, so we want to make sure that conversations are really based around wellbeing. If students are well prepared to start school, with the correct equipment and uniform then it makes settling back in easier. We understand that times have been difficult and so uniform rules have been a little more relaxed than usual, however it is important that September is a positive start in every respect.

With the anticipation that things will return to normal, our expectations that students are in the correct uniform are high. This means that, guidance permitting, they should be in their full uniform every day, and in the correct PE kit for their PE lessons only.

Students should only wear the permitted school uniform, hoodies, alternative jumpers and tracksuit tops are not allowed, so please check that your children are leaving the house suitably dressed as often these items “appear” on the way to school.

With regard to footwear, please be mindful that we will be making a real effort to ensure that shoes are meeting guidance and are not trainers. Please do not buy your child black leather trainers; Nike Air Force 1s are a good example of a trainer that students like to try to wear as a shoe (they often then wear them as their trainers for PE too). We will not allow these in September, even if you feel that previously your child has been able to wear them, please do not purchase black trainers for everyday school wear for the forthcoming academic year.

If you are unsure about the shoe you are ordering or buying, please contact the school or check the website. Our best advice is they must be business-like and have no sports logos or branding.

Trousers must be loose fitting, imagine being able to slide a pound coin down the leg without it getting stuck! Also they must be touching the top of the shoe and not deliberately short above the ankles. Skirts need to be on the knee, if you are unsure of length, Skoolkit can advise you.

Students who arrive in the wrong uniform in September will be asked to correct it and may be sent home in order to change.

If you are concerned about being able to purchase uniform, please contact us at school. We have pre-loved uniform available and there will be a pre-loved uniform sale on Wednesday 14 July 3.30pm – 4.15pm in the red dining hall. A big thank you to Year 11 parents who have donated a vast amount of uniform and revision guides to be recycled into the community

Please find the details from Skoolkit below and also check our website for details on what is needed for uniform, PE and Dance kits.

[SKOOLKIT Discount Flyer](#)

Wishing you all a lovely summer.

Yours faithfully

Mr M Chance
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