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Dear Parent/Guardian

Year 7-11 - School Uniform and Equipment Requirements

Despite the very challenging times, in which we all find ourselves we are keen to not lose sight of the high standards of our school. With this in mind, we would like to enlist your support in ensuring that our students wear the right uniform and come to school equipped for learning.

School Uniform

All students are required to wear full school uniform, apart from a day when they have practical PE. Full school uniform should be accompanied by black polishable shoes, with no logos.

On the days when students have practical PE, they should wear only the school PE uniform and we recognise that whilst it is cold, they may wish to wear a pair of plain navy or black jogging bottoms or leggings. These cannot have large logos on them or be covered in stripes.

Personal Appearance

In addition to their uniform, we will continue to uphold the high standards we expect in terms of person appearance, including:

- Well-groomed hair (no extreme styles).
- Long hair tied back.
- One small silver/gold stud or ring in each ear only.
- No other jewellery should be worn to school.
- Natural coloured hair.
- No make-up or nail varnish except light foundation.
- We recommend that all students wear a wristwatch for school.
- Head scarves may be worn for religious reasons by agreement and should be plain black or navy.
- **Face covering to be worn in all communal areas.**

Equipment for Learning

Finally, it is more important than ever, due to COVID restrictions, that all students have their own correct equipment for learning. All students are expected to have the equipment listed below contained within a transparent pencil case. This pencil case allows tutors to check the equipment of students quickly and easily. We appreciate that students may not be able to fit a scientific calculator and maths set in their transparent pencil cases and so we are happy for these to be carried separately in their school bags.

Equipment:

- Pens – black/blue, green and red
- Writing pencils
- Coloured pencils
- Rubber
- Pencil sharpener
- Glue stick
- 30cm ruler
- Maths set (containing protractor, compass, set square)
- Scientific calculator – we recommend a Casio calculator - FX-83GTX or FX-85GTX, however most scientific calculators are fine.
- At least 2 highlighters
- Transparent pencil case

This equipment is compulsory and we will be asking our pastoral team to check that students still have this equipment. Please can you support this in checking your child's pencil case and refill any equipment that may have been mislaid or used up.

We recognise that some families may at this time be experiencing financial hardship, if this is the case or you are in receipt of Pupil Premium funding, then please contact the relevant Head of Year, if you require additional support.

As always, thank you for your ongoing support. We must work together to ensure that all students can get the best possible education despite the difficult circumstances we find ourselves in.

Yours sincerely



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