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Dear Parent/Guardian

### Year 7-10 - School Uniform and Equipment Requirements

During these very challenging times we have been mindful that shops have not been open and sourcing uniform and equipment may have been difficult. However, now that shops are open and you may be buying uniform in preparation for September, we are keen to ensure everyone is clear on the uniform expectations in school and the equipment required by each student for learning.

#### School Uniform

All students are required to wear full school uniform, apart from a day when they have practical PE (during the summer term). Full School uniform should be accompanied by black polishable shoes, with no logos. Students should be wearing a school blazer and not hoodies, jumpers, etc. This still applies in the summer term when summer uniform is being worn, if a student is cold then their blazer should be worn in this instance and not anything else.

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.

Students who do not comply with uniform expectations will be expected to change into spare uniform that we have on school site. We will communicate with you, where we spot issues so we can work together to solve these.

Government guidelines will no doubt change in relation to COVID-19 restrictions and we will confirm the arrangements for September, specifically in relation to the use of changing rooms for PE.

#### 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, including rings.
- 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 (with no inappropriate images on).

#### Equipment for Learning

All students are expected to enter a classroom, ready to learn and this includes them having the correct equipment to do this. The equipment listed below should be 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. We do have some spare/second hand uniform in our inclusion department and will support wherever possible.

As always, thank you for your ongoing support. We are keen during these unprecedented times to continue to maintain our high expectations and ensure that students are equipped to learn.

Yours sincerely



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