



28th August 2018

Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope that you had an enjoyable and peaceful summer holiday and that your children are looking forward to the new academic year. In order to ensure that your child has the most positive experience possible whilst returning to school I want to highlight some key aspects of the uniform policy which a small minority of students sometimes fall foul of.

Skirts & Trousers

Please ensure that skirts fall below knee length and that they are worn with either plain black opaque tights or formal white dress socks (ankle/trainer socks are not acceptable). Boys trousers must be charcoal grey (black trousers are not permitted) and must be worn with a simple black or dark brown belt.

School shoes

I would encourage all parents to visit the school's website for more detailed guidance on suitable school shoes, but please be aware that 'Kicker' style boots may not be worn with school skirts and canvas style pumps or informal 'trainer' style footwear are not permitted.

Boys' hairstyles

Unfortunately, this has been an area where a small number of students have chosen to ignore the school's clear guidance on what is deemed an acceptable or unacceptable hairstyle and consequently it has resulted in some pupils being removed from break time or lessons. Please ensure that your child is fully aware that the school does not permit:

- Hair shorter than a grade 2 (no skin fades)
- Lines or shaved decorations
- Undercuts
- Mohawks
- Hair that covers the face (long hair must be tied back)

Further guidance on boys' hairstyles can be found on the school's website.

Piercings & jewellery

Only girls are permitted to wear earrings, no more than one small simple stud per ear lobe (earrings at the top of the ear are not permitted), so any new piercings that have been carried out over the summer must be removed by all students before their return to school. Please be reminded that the school only allows students to wear a chain with a small cross on it (to be worn under the school uniform), no other jewellery is permitted to be worn with school uniform, this includes travelling to and from school.

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Make-up and false nails

Students are not permitted to wear any make-up (including eyebrow make-up), fake tan or false nails to school.

I am very eager to ensure that all children enjoy the transition back to school as much as possible and that they are not removed from lessons or break time. It can be a very negative experience for both staff and students if we find ourselves challenging pupils on the first day back over simple matters such as uniform expectations. As we regularly remind the students, school is a formal environment and we are working hard to prepare them for adult life, where such formalities will often be expected of them.

I look forward to welcoming your child back on Wednesday 5th September, details of which can be found below.

Year 7 – Wednesday 5th September

8.50 am	Students meet Mr Kiely and Senior Staff in the Hall
9.15 am	Introduction to Tutor and Tutor Group
9.30 am to 11.10 am	Induction into School routines and timetable
11.10am to 11.25am	Break
11.25 am to 12.10 pm	Lessons
12.10 pm to 1.10 pm	Lunch
1.30 pm to 2.30 pm	Lessons
2.20 pm to 3.05 pm	Welcome Mass (families welcome)

Years 8, 9, 10 & 11 – Wednesday 5th September

Years 8 & 9

Arrive at 9.20 a.m. to collect their timetables & Planners (dismissed no later than 10.20a.m.)

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Year 10

Arrive at 9.50a.m. to collect their timetables & planners (dismissed no later than 10.50a.m.)

Year 11

Arrive at 10.20a.m. to collect their timetables & planners (dismissed no later than 11.05 a.m.)

Thursday 6th September will be a normal school day for all Year 7-11 students.

Parents of Y11 students should also note that the Y11 Parent Information Evening is to be held on Thursday 6th September at 6p.m. in the main school hall. It is essential that Y11 parents attend this meeting as vital information regarding the GCSE exams will be discussed in detail.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding the content of this letter, please do not hesitate to contact your child's Head of Year:

Year 7 – Ms R Coughlan

Year 8 – Ms E Ray

Year 9 – Mr J Kalinowski

Year 10 – Ms E Pound

Year 11 – Mr L Johnson

Yours Faithfully,

Mr P Walton

Director of Inclusion