

May 2021

TO ALL YEAR 9 PARENTS/CARERS

UNIFORM/TERM DATES

Thank you for your continued support during a difficult year. As we move towards the end of the academic year and hopefully more normal times, I wanted to write to you about our uniform expectations.

I am pleased to say that the vast majority of Year 9 students are to be congratulated for wearing the correct uniform and, as a year group, they look incredibly smart.

Where some students occasionally get it wrong is when:

- they do not wear their white school polo shirt - this must always be worn;
- they wear a sweatshirt or hoodie that is not the school sweatshirt or hoodie - only the school sweatshirt or hoodie (not the PE sweatshirt) is to be worn for school;
- they wear tracksuit/jogging bottoms or leggings rather than black trousers/black jeans;
- they wear PE leggings on a day when they do not have PE
- they do not wear plain black shoes or trainers.

I want, with your support, to ensure all students wear the correct uniform at all times. I know parents often buy new uniform in the summer term so I thought this might be a timely reminder.

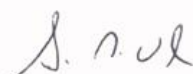
As the Headteacher, I would never want uniform to become an issue that causes conflict between staff and students, as it does in many other schools. However, because of this approach, a minority of students simply make the choice not to wear the full correct uniform. This cannot continue. I do not want any student to miss school because of a uniform issue. It is critical that as a school we focus on what is important which is creating exciting and engaging lessons. Therefore, I am requesting your support in ensuring your daughter/son continues to come to school in the full correct uniform.

Can I finish by saying the Year 9 GCSE options process has now come to an end and the staff involved in that process have been incredibly impressed with how seriously the students have taken it.

Our term dates for the academic year 2021/2022 are on the school website for your information.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours faithfully



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