



13 May 2024

Dear Parent/Carer,

With the warmer weather on the way, I would like to ensure that the high standards of our uniform policy are maintained. Our uniform code **DOES NOT** change, and blazers must still be worn during the Summer Term. As in the past, in the case of extremely hot weather, we may review the wearing of blazers and will inform students, parents and carers accordingly.

For clarification, our Uniform Policy and Student Planner are very clear about our expectations for uniform. They set out clearly that only 'natural' make up, with only one pair of stud earrings and a watch is permitted. Visible facial piercings and stretcher earrings are not allowed, and students will be asked to remove them, **this includes clear retainers**. Please note that students should not be wearing short skirts (they should not be rolled up) nor skinny / tight trousers. The Policy goes on to say that coloured nail varnish and artificial nails will not be tolerated. Lastly, hair style should not be extreme (including no shaving below a grade two) and be of a "natural" colour.

Parents/Carers and students will always be given an opportunity to rectify any uniform infringements, however, if this is not possible or refused, they will be placed in Reflection until they comply. It is also important that students remain hydrated, and I can assure you that there are enough water fountains around the Academy to ensure bottles can be filled. However, students should fill their water bottles before the end of break and lunch and NOT during lesson or line up time.

Please can you speak to your son/daughter about the consequences of any spraying of water whilst at school as any students seen to be spraying liquid on other students will spend the rest of the day in our Reflection room. We expect parents/carers to support us on all issues regarding uniform and behaviour.

Hopefully we can all enjoy the warmer weather that we are expecting this term.

Yours sincerely,

Mr M Avoth

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