



September 2024

Dear Parent/Carer,

Uniform September 2024

We are very excited and looking forward to welcoming our students back to school after the summer break.

Year 7 and 11 return on Friday 6th September and Year 8, 9 and 10 Monday 9th September. Our school day starts at 8.30 with all students going to line-up. Students are welcome to attend breakfast club from 8.05 if they wish. We are part of the National Breakfast programme and therefore all students can have a free breakfast each day (cereals or bagels).

Students are expected to be wearing full school uniform and be fully equipped for the day's lessons. Please see below the relevant sections of a letter that was sent out in July regarding our uniform, equipment and mobile phone expectations. Please do not hesitate to contact the relevant Achievement Team if there are any issues that we need to be aware of.

UNIFORM

- School blazer * (this is a compulsory part of the uniform that must be worn at line-up and throughout the day. Teachers will give permission to remove when appropriate.
- White collared, short or long-sleeved school shirt
- School tie*
- Black school trousers - **no jeans, no skinny cut, no leggings, no low fitting styles allowed**
- School skirt *
- Plain round or v-neck black jumper, **no logos** (optional, not to be worn instead of blazer)
- Plain grey or black socks or tights
- Black school shoes or trainers (**no plimsolls or canvas**), **flat with black soles and laces. The shoe/trainer must be completely black and polishable.**

***These items are only available through our uniform suppliers**

Examples of plain black polishable trainers that are allowed.



Examples of trainers that are not permitted.



Jewellery of any description is not encouraged and is not practical for many reasons. One pair of small, plain stud earrings in each ear lobe, a watch and a single nose stud/retainer are the only items allowed. Bracelets, nose rings, large dangly or hooped earrings, stretchers or any other types of piercing are not allowed and students will be asked to remove them.

Hoodies are not part of our uniform and students will be expected to remove these on entry into the school grounds.

Plain black jumpers are optional and not a replacement for blazers.

Make up of any description is discouraged. Students will be required to remove any excessive make up. Extreme hairstyles and colours, patterns and tramlines are not allowed.

EQUIPMENT

We ask that you support us in ensuring that your child is ready to learn with the correct equipment for the day. All students should arrive at school with at least one black pen, a purple pen, a pencil and a ruler. All students in years 10 and 11 will also be expected to have a scientific calculator for their maths and science work. These should all be kept in a sturdy, appropriate school bag. Uniform and equipment will be checked every morning in line-up. Contact will be made with home if students are not in uniform or do not have the correct equipment, to discuss the issue(s) and ensure they do not persist.



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We are very proud of our school and our students and believe that high standards of uniform and behaviour, with all students being properly equipped and attending regularly, gives each and every one of our students the very best chance of learning well and achieving their very best.

MOBILE PHONES, AIR PODS and EAR PHONES

From the 6th September 2024, we will be operating and enforcing a 'see it, lose it' policy with mobile phones and ear pods for all students. This means that any student who is seen using their mobile phone and/or ear pods during the school day will have their items confiscated and kept safely in reception until the end of their school day. This is not a change to the expectation or policy already in place, but we will be consistently enforcing this rule at the start of the academic school year. We understand you as parents/carers want your child to carry a mobile phone for contact purposes, but these should not be used or seen during the school day. We ask that you support us with this matter by not trying to contact your child on their mobile phone during the school day. In an emergency, please contact the school office, which will endeavour to pass any messages onto your child.

Thank you all very much in advance of your anticipated support and understanding.

Yours faithfully,

Mrs E Culverwell
Deputy Headteacher

