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Dear Parents, Carers and Students,

As you are aware, we are a school that takes pride in our culture, ethos and history and strive to provide a well-disciplined and orderly environment for learning. Our uniform is an important backbone of our school and has been designed with the following guiding principles in mind:

- affordability and practicality
- health and safety
- economic levelling
- corporate identity
- fit for the modern world of education



With the support of parents and carers ensuring their children adhere to our expectations, we can focus on the teaching and learning that is so important.

With that in mind, I am writing to remind you of our uniform and appearance expectations. These can be found on our website

<https://dhfs.uk/wp-content/uploads/policies/uniform-expectations-booklet-2024-25-1.pdf>

and in your child's planner.

UNIFORM

- BLACK FORMAL BLAZER WITH SCHOOL CREST AND HOUSE AND YEAR LABEL BADGE
- DHFS CLIP-ON TIE
- PLAIN WHITE SHORT OR LONG-SLEEVED COLLARED SHIRT; TUCKED IN AT ALL TIMES
- OPTIONAL: FORMAL BLACK CARDIGAN OR V NECK SWEATER
- PLAIN BLACK TAILORED FORMAL TROUSERS, FORMAL SHORTS OR SKIRT (AROUND KNEE LENGTH)
- BLACK OR FLESH TIGHTS (OPTIONAL)
- BLACK SOCKS
- PLAIN BLACK LEATHER OR LEATHER-LOOK LOW-HEELED SHOES

COAT/GILET (OPTIONAL): MUST BE WORN OVER THE BLAZER
NO HOODIES OR TRACKSUIT TOPS

MINIMAL JEWELLERY; A WATCH, ONE SINGLE FLAT RING, ONE PAIR OF PLAIN EARLOBE STUD EARRINGS

NO NAIL VARNISH, FALSE NAILS, HENNA OR FALSE EYELASHES

UNNATURAL HAIR COLOURING, FACIAL PIERCINGS, TONGUE PIERCINGS AND OTHER VISIBLE PIERCINGS ARE PROHIBITED

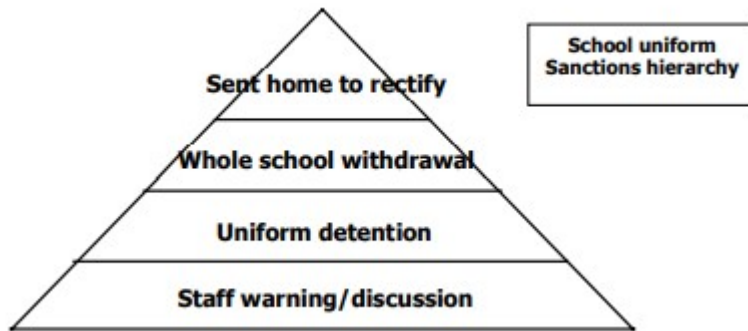
We supported feedback from students and families last summer, by amending the previous 'no make-up' policy to allow students to wear make-up as long as they ensure it is light in application and not noticeable. Some students are arriving at school wearing very noticeable make-up, false nails and false eye lashes, this is not in our policy.

We have also seen an increase in the number of students arriving at school with multiple ear piercings, and nose piercings. If parents/carers wish their children to have piercings, they should be done in school holiday time with sufficient time for them to fully heal and be removed in line with school health and safety expectations.

An increasing number of students are wearing leggings rather than tailored school trousers and some students are having to be reminded to tuck their shirts in on a very regular basis.

All of these infringements show a lack of commitment to our uniform therefore a lack of respect for our school.

As per the policy, any student not meeting our expectations will be challenged and a note from a parent/carer will be required to avoid a sanction. If a student continues to ignore the school rules regarding uniform, it is not just a matter of uniform, but deliberate defiance and a meeting with parents/carers will be organised.



Finally, we have noticed a decrease in the numbers of students being punctual to lessons. It is important to arrive on time and be ready to learn, and the late arrival of a student disrupts the learning of others. We expect students to 'walk with purpose' and take the most direct route to lesson. Students who do not follow this expectation will be challenged and will receive a sanction.

Please ensure your child understands the expectations outlined and thank you in anticipation of your support.

Kind regards,

Mrs T. Davies
Acting Headteacher