

8<sup>th</sup> October 2021

Dear Parents and Carers

As you know we are very proud of our school uniform and how smart the students all look whilst wearing it.

Recently, it has become noticeable that too many students are deciding not to wear their uniform correctly or with the pride they should. I know this is nothing new or singular to our school but that does not make it acceptable or something we can ignore.

From the start of term 2, we will expect all students to wear their uniform correctly all of the time. They will be reminded of this during morning line up but after that, if they choose to flout the rules, there will be an immediate sanction and same day detention.

Following routines and expectations is important preparation for life beyond school. Skirts and sleeves do not roll themselves up by accident, jewellery does not just appear out of nowhere and make-up does not apply itself; consequently, addressing this every lesson needlessly wastes learning time. Students have all had this explained to them in assemblies and by their tutors and they are absolutely clear as to our expectations and the importance of 'no time being wasted' or opportunities for learning lost.

It is also clear that in relation to the Year 8 - 11 school skirt, that some students have ones that are far too short. I know how quickly young people grow, how easy it is to purchase the incorrect length or waist in error, but this does need addressing as it has resulted in skirts that are inappropriately short.

Before we return after half term, please would you ensure your child has the right length of skirt in a size that allows it to be worn correctly. The website lists:

**A plain black knee length 'Designer Full Pleat' (18"/20" length skirt)  
Year 7: navy tartan pleat skirt**

Should you find yourself in need of financial support to replace a skirt, please request a Hardship Fund application form and return immediately to the school.

Your support in this is much appreciated.

Kind regards



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