



June 2018

Dear Parent/Carer

With the summer holidays fast approaching and the 'back to school' promotions already in the shops, it seems an ideal time to confirm again our uniform expectations. We are not changing any of our uniform requirements for September 2018 but would like to clarify a number of its aspects.

Trousers that are worn by students in school must be:

- navy blue;
- in a plain traditional style and not be chino or denim-style;
- an appropriate length - they should not sit any higher than the ankle bone;
- tailored straight leg and not tight fitting;
- without fashion style zips, buttons or other visible accessories.

Examples of suitable trousers are shown below:



Buying the correct footwear can also be problematic. Our policy is that footwear:

- must be black leather or leather in appearance and laces must also be black;
- we do not allow trainers/sportswear shoes – (these will usually have some form of canvas or logo on them and have a toe cap that comes up from the sole and over the toes);
- we do not allow sandals, canvas, backless and sling back shoes, fashion boots and heavy – all shoes should have low heels.

Please contact the school before purchasing footwear if you are unsure.

These are some examples of **unacceptable** footwear.



If a student does not have the correct footwear the school will supply footwear for the student to wear until appropriate footwear can be purchased.

In addition the following items will also NOT be accepted as uniform:-

- leggings of any type;
- headscarves (excluding religious wear) / bandanas/ large hair slides/baseball caps or other headwear;
- non-uniform jumpers & cardigans;
- extremes of fashion and hairstyle - Only natural hair colour is allowed and no beading or inappropriate hair accessories;
- only discreet make-up is allowed. In practical terms this means no lipstick, eye shadow, eye liner or false eyelashes;
- coloured nail varnish - nails should be natural in appearance and short in length. False/gel nails are not acceptable;
- visible jewellery, including earrings;
- brightly coloured socks.

Our uniform expectations can be found in the Academic Planner and on the School website. Please note that should a student be found to be wearing incorrect uniform, it may be that they are withdrawn from their normal timetable whilst parents are contacted. In some cases it may be necessary to send a student home to make the necessary adjustments to their uniform, before returning to their learning. Please understand that with regard to uniform **the school's decision in all matters is final.**

Thank you in anticipation for your support in this matter. It is very important we maintain and take forward from September 2018 the high standards we have all established throughout this year.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Mr Edwards', written over a light blue background.

Mr Edwards
Deputy Headteacher