

21st November 2025

Dear Families,

As the weather turns colder, we wanted to give you advanced notice that we are having a real push on uniform over the next few weeks in the run up to Christmas.

We are very proud of our uniform policy, which has reduced cost for parents and has considered student voice. We do, however, expect our new policy to be followed and have noticed some non-policy items creeping into use.

For clarity:

- Hoodies are not allowed at any time. Zipped fabric hoodies are not allowed to be worn as an alternative to coats.
- Girls' trousers must be plain black tailored 'school' trousers. Tight, stretchy, bootleg trousers, leggings, cord, denim or other trousers are not to be worn.
- Skirts must be pleated (box pleat). Stretchy Lycra skirts, or those with a split are not allowed.
- Girls may wear thick black tights with black socks over them.
- Boys may wear white socks if wearing trousers but must wear black socks if wearing shorts.
- Footwear must be all black and leather/waterproof, not fabric.
- Large, dangly or hooped earrings are not allowed for health and safety reasons.
- Nose piercings can **only** be a clear retainer.

We will be asking tutors to check uniform daily and to contact home with any problems. Centralised detentions will be set if uniform is not corrected in a timely manner. We really appreciate your support in ensuring our high standards of smart dress are maintained. If you are struggling to provide uniform due to the cost, please let us know and we will do everything we can to support.

To further support students in the colder weather we will be opening the hall for them to sit inside during break and lunchtimes.

Best wishes



Cath Harden