



Dear Parents/Carers

School Uniform

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your continued support for the school. We are very pleased with the overwhelming majority of our students and proud of their achievements and involvement in our school. We believe it is important that our students are smartly presented at all times. This includes during the day in school, on their way to and from school and when they are representing the school, for example at a sports match, in a competition or on a visit to another school, college or university. Unfortunately, recently, the standard of uniform has deteriorated. We will be addressing this rigorously after half term (from Wednesday 6 March) and would therefore like to take this opportunity to outline again our expectations in relation to uniform and appearance and the sanctions for non-compliance.

Our school uniform is as follows:

<u>Boys</u>	<u>Girls</u>
<p><b>School Blazer</b></p> <p><b>Sleeveless V-Neck Jumper</b>                      - Y7 and 8 Maroon                      - Y 9, 10 and 11 Navy</p> <p><b>White shirt and school tie</b>                      - Y 7 and 8 navy tie                      - Y 9, 10 and 11 maroon tie</p> <p><b>Grey trousers</b> which must be straight legged, without zips or external pockets</p> <p><b>Black shoes</b> which must be leather/leather-look, not trainer style or canvas</p>	<p><b>School Blazer</b></p> <p><b>Sleeveless V-Neck Jumper</b>                      - Y 7 and 8 Maroon                      - Y 9, 10 and 11 Navy</p> <p><b>School Skirt or Grey trousers</b>                      If wearing the skirt, girls can choose to wear a collared shirt and tie or the white open-necked blouse with no tie</p> <p>If trousers are preferred, they must be grey, straight legged, without zips or external pockets and worn with the collared shirt and tie</p> <p><b>School tie</b>                      - Y 7 and 8 navy tie                      - Y 9, 10 and 11 maroon tie</p> <p><b>Black tights</b> worn with skirt, during the summer term white ankle socks may be worn</p> <p><b>Black shoes</b> which must be leather/leather-look, not trainer style or canvas</p>

We expect all students to wear this school uniform. There is clarification below to support you and your child in wearing the uniform correctly.

### Trousers and Skirts and jumpers

Trousers must be smart grey trousers, which would be acceptable in a professional working environment. Skinny fit trousers, leggings or jeans are **not** acceptable, nor are trousers with additional decoration such as fashion zips, embroidery of back pockets. The school skirt should not be rolled up to shorten it.

The sleeveless V-neck jumper should be worn at all times and should not be tucked in to the skirt or trousers.

### Footwear

Shoes must be formal. They should be plain black, matt or patent leather style, and appropriate for all weather conditions. Stilettos, sling-backs, open-toed sandals, trainers, canvas shoes, suede, sandals, skate shoes or boots are not acceptable, nor are shoes that have additional decoration or accessories. Footwear must not have visible branding such as sports logos (Adidas, Nike, Reebok, Puma etc), or designer motifs (Vans, Converse, Timberland etc). Socks must be plain black and completely cover the ankle (trainer socks are not appropriate).

If there is a medical reason why school shoes cannot be worn, a doctor's note must be brought to school by the student.

### Make-up, Jewellery, Nails and Hair

Students are not permitted to wear noticeable makeup. False eyelashes, heavy mascara, eye shadow, lipstick, bronzer/blusher, and excessive brow make-up is not acceptable. Students who are deemed to be wearing an excessive amount of make-up will be sanctioned in accordance with the behaviour policy, and be expected to remove said make-up immediately.

For health and safety reasons, we do not allow any piercings other than one plain pair of ear studs. Coloured nail polish, acrylic nails, gel nails, and other forms of false nails are not permitted. Students who arrive at school with additional body piercings (eyebrow, helix, nose etc) will be expected to remove them immediately. It is not acceptable to simply cover them with a plaster. Students will be expected to remove nail varnish and trim excessively long nails.

Hair must be of a natural colour, and of an appropriate style.

### Outdoor Wear

All students are expected to bring a suitable coat or jacket to keep them warm whilst they are outside at break or lunchtime. Hoodies are not appropriate as outdoor protective clothing, and are not permitted in school.

### Sanctions

If your child arrives at school in inappropriate uniform, they will receive sanctions in line with our behaviour policy. Contact will be made with parents/carers to clarify school expectations, and request that an appropriate alternative is purchased. In the interim, students will be expected to borrow the correct uniform. Any student who borrows uniform will be expected to leave their

mobile phone, keys or something similar in exchange for the uniform. This will be returned to them at the end of the school day when they return the item of uniform borrowed. If a student refuses to change their uniform, or remove make-up, jewellery etc. they will be isolated within school. The uniform requirements can be found in student planners and on our website. Please be aware that shops very often sell uniform items labelled as 'school wear' that do not meet our uniform expectations. If you are unsure about the suitability of any item or require any support with the purchase of school uniform, please contact your child's Head of Year for guidance. All items of school uniform can be purchased from *Rumours (17 Victoria Road, Scarborough, YO11 1SB. Tel: 01723 501989)*.

We would also like to take this opportunity to remind you of our policy on mobile phones in school. Mobile phones are not permitted in school. If a student needs a mobile phone before or after school, they should keep that phone turned off and out of sight during the school day. Any mobile phone seen by a member of staff will be confiscated and may be collected from the school office at the end of the day. If a phone is confiscated from a student 3 times, on the third occasion we will contact parents / carers and ask you to collect the phone. The phone will be kept safely in the school office until you are able to collect it.

Thank you in anticipation for your support. We would be most grateful if you would return the reply slip below to acknowledge receipt of this letter.

Yours sincerely



Emma Robins  
Headteacher

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**All reply slips returned to school will be entered into a prize draw for a £50 voucher**

I confirm I have received the letter concerning school expectations around uniform and mobile phones.

Parent/Carer of: ..... Form: .....

Name: ..... Date .....