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Dear Parent

Uniform and Appearance

Uniform is generally worn very well by the vast majority of our students. However, staff are becoming increasingly concerned about the way some students appear when they arrive at the College. A great deal of time is spent asking students to correct their uniform, remove make-up, hair products, nail varnish or jewellery; time which could be better spent having positive interactions. Our main concerns focus on:

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| Skirts | Some are too short (the minimum length should be 5 – 7cm above the knee). Skirts are double box pleat in style – no other style is acceptable. |
| Trousers | Charcoal grey regular/classic cut with a black belt only. |
| T-shirts | Only a plain white vest style top should be worn under school shirts. |
| Shoes | These should be plain black with a low heel for girls of about 3 cm or less. Platform shoes, shoes with a very thick sole, ballet style or studded shoes should not be worn. |
| Socks | Black or grey for boys. No 'trainer' liner style socks should be worn. |
| Tights | Thick grey, 40 – 60 denier black tights or short white socks for girls. (No trainer liners). |
| Ties | House swatch should be visible 3 – 5 cm below the knot and top buttons done up. |
| Hair | No sculpting products, unkempt or extreme styles are allowed and boys' hair should be graded/feathered at the sides. Please do not allow your child to use any colour products as even temporary colours cannot be guaranteed to wash out in the time indicated on the packaging ready for return to college in September. |
| Make-up | No make-up or nail varnish should be worn. |
| Jewellery | One matching pair of stud earrings is allowed in lower ear lobes (1cm max in diameter). Nose, tongue, cartilage and eyebrow studs are not permitted. |

A copy of the uniform poster is displayed around the College and there is a complete list in the student planner.

Please could you ensure that, during the summer holidays, you purchase the correct uniform for your child so that they may start the new academic year looking smart and a committed member of the college community. Thank you for your support in helping us to continue to instil a pride in the young people of our college.

We will remain vigilant about uniform and we will continue to ensure that the high standards you expect are maintained. We ask for your co-operation in this matter.

Yours sincerely

J C Alsop
Head Teacher