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Dear Parent/Carer

### **School Uniform**

Further to our communication issued on 22/06/21 ([view here](#)) where we advised that our new S1 pupils should attend their first 2 days in non uniform we are writing to confirm the school uniform policy that will be in effect for the 2021-22 academic session

Our secondary school uniform includes the following items:

- Plain black footwear (including plain black training shoes)
- Black trousers (including plain black denims), black skirt or black leggings.
- White shirt or blouse
- School tie (red for S5, available from the school office)
- Plain black jumper or cardigan

Please note that further to consultation with the Pupil Council in recent sessions, we widened our dress code to include black denims and plain black training shoes. We agreed with the pupils that these items can offer more comfort whilst still looking smart. From session 21/22 we will also be allowing leggings for the same reasons.

Some of the items deemed not to meet our school uniform requirements include:

- Hoodies
- Coloured trainers
- Coloured jumpers
- Jumpers with prominent branding

Although the school has managed without uniform for a full session, we do consider that on balance it is better for us to move back to it. We believe uniform supports the development of school identity and can also reduce bullying behaviour. Parents also tell us that the pursuit of fashion can put an unhelpful pressure on our young people on school mornings in a way that uniform does not.

Yours faithfully

*K.A. Gatehouse*

**Mrs Gatehouse**  
**DHT Support for Pupils & Staff**

