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Dear Parent(s) / Carer(s)

## **Year 12 and 13 Sixth Form Dress Code**

We are writing to you as we have updated our Sixth Form Dress code to reflect a number requests from students, parents and carers regarding the clarity of what is and is not acceptable to wear to school. We hope that these updates will make it easier to identify what is and is not suitable for students to wear to school. This is not a new policy and our expectations have not changed, we have just tried to add some clarity in some key areas.

The Sixth Form dress code forms one section of the whole school uniform policy, and is designed to add additional guidance over what students in Years 12 and 13 can wear to school. We endeavour to make this a positive, gender neutral policy which best reflects the ethos of our school. As a school and within the Sixth Form we value highly the importance of being dressed in a manner which creates a positive and professional approach to school life, and we feel that our Sixth Form dress code reflects this. As such, please find attached an updated version of the Sixth Form dress code, which we expect all of our Sixth Form students to adhere to.

The dress code refers primarily to what we expect the students to wear, however, please be aware that the following are not considered suitable for school:

- Leather jackets
- Denim jackets
- Leather trousers
- Jeans
- Sweatshirts
- Hoodies
- Any overly branded items of clothing
- Trainers
- Doc Martin's or similar style boots

Over the remainder of this half term, staff will be speaking with students who we feel are not dressed in accordance with the dress code so that they can understand what is and is not acceptable, and so that when they return to school after the October half term break they will be in a position to be dressed in line with the expectations.

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We believe what the students wear should not become a distraction from their studies, however, we do feel that by clarifying the dress code we have made it easier for students to distinguish what is and is not acceptable and thus come to school and enjoy their Sixth Form experience.

Should you have any questions regarding the Sixth Form dress code, or any other aspects of your son/daughter's education, then please do not hesitate to be in touch.

Yours sincerely

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