



16th February 2018

Dear Parent or Carer

As we draw to the end of another half term I would like to bring to your attention a number of expectations we have regarding behaviour and welfare at the academy.

Uniform and Appearance

As part of our drive to continually raise standards, I would like to request your full support in ensuring that your child wears the correct academy uniform. Shoes should be black leather, with no training shoes or canvas material permitted (please see attached information sheet for guidance). For health and safety reasons, the only jewellery permitted as part of the academy uniform is a wristwatch. In addition, students should have natural hair colour and colouring of any kind is not permitted. If a student's uniform does not meet the standards of uniform and dress they will be placed in isolation until their uniform is of the expected standard.

In addition to smart uniform it is essential that students are fully prepared for their learning each day, having checked their planners each evening to ensure that they have all the necessary books, equipment and homework for the following day. As parents, you are encouraged to check and sign your child's planner regularly in order to monitor their progress, check on homework and to maintain communication between home and the academy.

Mobile Phones

One key objective for the academy continues to be improved student progress and attainment, and I therefore wish to focus on all aspects associated with learning, eliminating distractions and disturbances. One particular distraction to learning is that of mobile phones. I would like to request the support of parents and carers in reminding their child that these are not allowed in the academy during the school day. Students who are seen using a mobile phone during this time will have it confiscated and stored safely for parents to collect.

Attendance and Punctuality

Attendance and punctuality, once again remain a priority in the forthcoming academic term. Student attendance has proven to be clearly linked to academic progress and achievement. I would like to request your support once again to ensure your son/daughter is in school every day for 8.40am to achieve their full potential.

Yours sincerely

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