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23rd March 2021

Dear Parent/Carer

As you know we have high expectations of our students when it comes to their personal appearance and uniform. I am pleased to say that the overwhelming majority of our students are very smartly dressed and as part of Team Tanfield they wear their uniform with pride.

Visitors and members of the general public regularly comment on how smart our students look and I would like to thank all of our students and their parents/carers for supporting the school by ensuring that the correct uniform is worn every day. It is due to this continued support our standards remain high.

As we move in to the summer term, this letter is to remind our students and their families of the school dress code and what is and is not allowed. We know that sometimes, parents and carers are not clear on this and I hope this clarifies matters. If you are in any doubt, please refer to our website or please do not hesitate to contact the school and we will be happy to assist.

When we return on **Monday 25th April 2022, we will be doing a uniform check.** If a student's appearance does not meet the expected standard, the school reserves the right to apply sanctions in line with our behaviour policy. Where appropriate, a student who is not wearing the correct uniform will be asked to wear a replacement item provided by the school until the end of that day.

Boots/Shoes: During the inclement weather we have permitted boots to be worn with skirts. However, as the weather improves we will revert back to our strict uniform policy and it will no longer be acceptable to wear boots if a student chooses to wear a skirt. Shoes must be worn with skirts.

Shoes must be formal leather style shoes. Trainers of any kind are not allowed. If a student wishes to wear boots they must be worn with trousers over the top of the boots.

Skirts: must **not** be rolled up at the waist. Any student caught rolling their skirt to an inappropriate length will receive an automatic same day after school detention.

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Jewellery, makeup and hair colour/styles: also form part of our dress code. Earrings or facial piercings of any kind are strictly **NOT ALLOWED**. A plaster, tape or a clear plastic retainer is not a solution to piercings and students should not get piercings during term time. Students will be asked to remove their piercing – this is non-negotiable. If students refuse to remove facial piercings they will be isolated until the piercing is removed. This is for health and safety reasons.

A student will also be told to remove any excessive jewellery and if necessary it will be confiscated and parents/carers will have to collect it from the school office. Make up is not to be worn by students in years 7, 8 and 9. Students in year 10 and 11 should keep make-up to a minimum and anyone wearing unacceptable amounts of make-up (including excessive eye make-up or false eye lashes) will be asked to remove it.

Nail varnish, false nails and false eye lashes are strictly not allowed. Students refusing to follow this rule will be isolated until the issue is resolved.

On **Monday 25th April 2022**, all students will be carefully checked for uniform, jewellery and make-up. If there is a problem which cannot be resolved in school, then parents/carers will be contacted and arrangements made for students to be sent home in order to change into correct uniform. If parents/carers cannot be contacted, then the student will be removed from lessons for that day and assigned to a senior member of staff in order to work on their own.

If there is a problem with a student wearing correct uniform then parents/carers must contact School to explain the situation.

I am sure, like us, you want our students to continue to present themselves in a smart, professional way and will do all you can to ensure your child is in full uniform. If there are any issues in providing uniform please contact us and we will look to see if we can support those families in obtaining the correct item of uniform.

As always, thank you for your support in this matter.

Yours faithfully



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