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Dear Parents & Carers,

As some of you may already be aware, we have decided this week to 'reset' our expectations around uniform and the following of the uniform policy in school. Whilst we accept that a number of concessions needed to be made to our standards as we came through the pandemic, recognising the financial impact that it had on some in our community and the limited access to uniform supplies, we have lately, however, noticed a significant erosion in standards of attire.

As a result, we have reset our expectations with students this week in a series of assemblies, and briefed our pastoral and teaching staff on the details of the policy and the processes to be followed should these standards not be met.

There have been no alterations made to the uniform policy itself. We are merely ensuring that the uniform is now consistently worn across the school and that the systems already laid out under the Positive Discipline system are followed in response to any issues. A large proportion of our students already wear their uniform smartly and with pride; we thank them and you for ensuring that this is the case.

The full uniform policy can be found on the school website, here: [Policies](#)

I would like, in particular, to draw you attention to these details, which are some of the more frequent issues:

- Skirts: must be plain black. They must not be tubular style and must be of an appropriate length (approximately knee length or just above). Skirts should not be close fitted and not made of stretch / clingy material.
- Jewellery: is limited to a pair of matching stud earrings and a watch.
- Piercings: those with nose piercings will be asked to remove the piercing or keep it covered with a plaster at all times.

If staff identify any issues with your young person's attire across the coming week, we will contact home to inform you of this and to discuss the timescale for addressing this with you. Our hardship funds and 'Grown Out Not Worn Out' campaign are still in place and we will offer what support we can to those who may still be facing barriers to purchasing uniform items.

I thank you in anticipation of your support of our standards,

Kind regards,

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