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Dear Parent/Carer

## Uniform

The uniform policy plays a crucial role in establishing a sense of identity, pride, and belonging within our educational community. Students represent themselves and their school in our community and we want them to wear their uniform with pride.

It promotes equality, reduces social barriers, and helps students focus on their studies rather than outward appearance or material possessions. It is with these principles in mind that our existing uniform policy, aims to create a cohesive and inclusive environment. For this to be successful then it must be applied consistently to all students and I am grateful for your support in this matter. We always support students to ensure they are in correct uniform but after the Easter break we will be paying particular attention to standards and this could result in students receiving a sanction for not wearing uniform correctly.

In sending your child to Stocksbridge High School, you agree to adhere to our published policies and we hope you will support us to maintain the highest of standards across the school. When purchasing any item of uniform, please pay particular attention to the requirements of the school uniform policy which can be found by following this link: - <https://stocksbridgehigh.co.uk/parents/uniform>

Some key points to note are:

- A branded grey school jumper or cardigan with sleeves rolled down. This must be worn at all times on the corridors, at break/lunch and during assembly. During lessons they may be removed and put back on at the end of the lesson. During warmer weather school will communicate to parents when students can stop wearing jumpers/cardigans. No personal jumpers are permitted.
- Coats are not permitted to be worn inside the school building.
- Plain, black tailored trousers. Track suit bottoms, jeans, joggers and leggings are not permitted
- Students may wish to wear a black knee length polyester or cotton skirt - (not stretch material)
- A plain white shirt, buttoned fully to the neck. Long sleeved shirts must have sleeves rolled down and shirts must be tucked in.
- Jewellery must be discreet and pupils will be asked to remove it for PE and aspects of Design and Technology for safety reasons. The following items are considered appropriate jewellery to be worn for school: One stud earring in each earlobe, Single neck chain (not worn outside of the shirt), One, small, plain ring, A watch. No bracelets. Students will be asked to remove any other items of jewellery.
- PE Kit - Students are expected to wear the following items of PE kit (All students must bring their full kit even if they are unable to take part in a lesson): PE t-shirt Black/Maroon, PE hoody, black shorts, tracksuit bottoms or sports leggings (appropriate for a school setting), Trainers.
- Students should wear formal black shoes or boots. No patterns, logos or decorative features are permissible.
- Students are not permitted to wear the following make-up: lipstick, eye shadow, heavy blusher, fake eyelashes.

- Nails – Fake nails are not allowed to be worn in school. If natural nails are unsuitably long for activities in school, students will be asked to reduce their nails to a suitable length. Students are expected to comply with this request. School will apply the same sanctions as false nails if the length of nails is not shortened in an appropriate amount of time.

In the current financial climate, we understand that purchasing new items of uniform can be an additional expense for families. If this is something that you require help with, please contact the school and make your child's Form Tutor or Pastoral Manager aware and we will do our best to help.

We request your cooperation in adhering to the uniform policy, as it is vital in maintaining consistency and upholding the values we strive for as a school. I hope this letter provides sufficient notice that we intend to pay particular attention to ensuring our students are adhering to the policy after the Easter break.

Yours sincerely



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Headteacher

