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Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope you are all well and looking forward to the summer break but before we finish, we'd like to remind you of our uniform expectations before any new purchases are made. These expectations were agreed with our Student Leadership Team.

1. All students **must** wear formal black shoes to school. Shoes should be black leather or a leather-look alternative, not suede or canvas. Black trainers are **not** permitted and neither are 'trainer look' shoes or any kind of boot.
2. Blazers **must** be worn at all times during the school day and to and from school. Teachers may give permission for blazers to be removed in the classroom.
3. Students **must** wear a formal white collared shirt with long or short sleeves. The shirt **must** be tucked in.
4. The school tie **must** be worn at all times except for PE lessons.
5. Skirts **must** be of a medium length sitting on or below the knee. Girls must **not** roll up their skirt.
6. Black socks or tights **must** be worn with the school uniform. White ankle socks **must** be worn with the school PE kit.
7. During PE lessons all students **must** wear the school PE kit only. Students are **not** permitted to wear any other sports items.
8. Apart from a small chain and cross, no other jewellery is permitted other than a watch (smart watches are **not** permitted)
9. Outdoor coats **must** be black. 'Hoodies' are **not** allowed.
10. Hats and scarves **must** be black and they must **not** be worn inside the building
11. School bags **must** be black.
12. All items of school uniform **must** be labelled clearly with the student's name
13. Hair should be worn in a style suitable for school and with due consideration to health and safety issues. All long hair (boys as well as girls) should be tied back for practical lessons.
14. Hair bands must be either black, white or clear - no other colour is permitted and this applies to beading too - only black, white or clear beads are permitted
15. Students must **not** colour their hair in unnatural bright colours and this rule applies to braids and hair extensions too.
16. Students are not permitted to wear wraps, headscarves or durags
17. Make-up is **not** permitted neither are false nails, nail polish or false eyelashes.
18. Anything that is not school uniform must **not** be worn to school. If a student comes to school wearing something which is not part of our school uniform they will be asked to remove it and it will be confiscated.

ASPIRE TO THE HOLY FAMILY WAY

We have a 'zero tolerance' approach to incidents of non-compliance with our school uniform policy and will be doing uniform inspections each morning.

In the event of any student arriving at school without the correct uniform:

- We will seek consent from the parents/carers to send the student home in order to address the issue. The student should then return to school wearing the correct uniform.
- If a student arrives with a note from the parent/carer explaining why they are not in the full school uniform due to an unforeseen circumstance e.g. a shoe broke on the way home, we will issue them with the correct item of uniform to borrow for the day.
- If the student refuses to wear the school issued item of uniform they will be placed in isolation where appropriate work will be provided by their teachers throughout the day. Contact will be made with the student's parents/carers to ensure that the student wears the correct uniform the following school day.

Parents and carers are asked to support our school uniform policy. We believe you have a duty to send your child into school appropriately dressed and ready to learn. We'll be making these expectations very clear to the students but would appreciate you going through this with your child too, especially before any shopping trip or trip to the hairdressers. We would also ask you to give them the once over before they leave for school each morning to check their uniform and avoid wasting valuable school time.

You can find full details of our school uniform on our school website:

<https://www.holyfamily.waltham.sch.uk/assets/Uniform/2022/School-Uniform.pdf>

If you are having any issue with obtaining the correct uniform, please let us know as we may be able to help.

Thank you for your support.

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