

Dear Parent/Carer,

## RE: Uniform Expectations

As you know, we are always striving for the highest standards at SMRT and this includes uniform. A vast majority of students wear impeccable uniform. However, there are some students who appear to be missing items and/or wearing items that they should not be. We want to address this for the start of Term 4 (Monday 20 February 2023) by working together as a school community. We are sharing this information with students via assemblies and with staff during briefings to ensure a consistency of message

All students are expected to be in full uniform. The details of our uniform expectations and policy can be found [here](#).

## Support

- We totally understand that issues will arise with items being lost/damaged etc...If this is the case, **please provide your child with a note or email their tutor/Head of House to make us aware**. We will then issue an 'Orange Slip' pass for the agreed period of time.
- If you require support with sourcing any items, including support with affordability, please contact your child's tutor or Head of House.
- If your child forgets items or does not have a note from home, they will be issued with a 'Red Slip'. If students receive 2x Red Slips they will receive a consequence which impacts upon their social time during and after the school day.
- Continued non-compliance with uniform expectations will result in an escalation of consequences. However, we are confident this will not be necessary in a huge majority of instances.

## Piercings

- You will recall that at the beginning of this academic year, we changed our policy to allow students to wear one pair of stud earrings.
- **There should be no additional ear or facial piercings or hooped/'dangly' earrings.**
- If students are wearing additional/inappropriate piercings, they will be confiscated and returned at the end of the day.
- If students have chosen to get additional piercings done recently, despite the clear expectations, we will allow a healing process to be completed. Whilst the piercings remain in, they must be covered with a plaster (non-transparent) until Friday 17 March 2023, after which they must be removed. Any student who has a new piercing after this date, will be expected to remove it immediately. Again, failure to meet these expectations will result in a consequence.

Thank you in advance for your support with this. If you have any queries, please contact your child's tutor in the first instance.

Yours sincerely,

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