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Dear Parent/Carer,

## Dress Code Expectations Years 12 and 13

We believe that our dress code plays a huge part in preparing students for purposeful work and contributing to the positive and collective culture of our school. It signals our high standards and the expectation to work hard, it prepares our students for the world of work where dress code is typical and expected and is used to identify us in our local community and allows students to reflect the respectful and positive ethos of our school. Unfortunately, it has become apparent that some students are arriving at school too casual.

Whilst the majority of our students arrive dressed in the correct dress code, and thank you to all those students who continue to show commitment to the policy at all times, we wish to ensure that **all** of our students follow the same expectations in dressing for success. Please see the below points that are raising concern at the moment and how we will support students to correct this:

- Students should not be wearing any form of hooded jumper (whether it is a hoodie or a zip up jumper) on the school campus. Students should wear an outdoor coat with a hood should they need this protection from the elements. If seen, students will be asked to remove this item and hand it over until the end of the school day. They will be loaned a jumper if available and suitable.
- Students should not wear tops that are low cut or display any part of the midriff. We expect students to wear clothes suitable for the learning environment and where time is not taken away from learning to correct this.
- Where jogging bottoms are chosen, black is the only permissible colour. Grey jogging bottoms are too casual and will not be accepted moving forward.
- Students will be issued a C1 each day they arrive in incorrect dress code; three C1s will trigger a 45-minute detention to be sat on the day this is generated on Beehive.
- Student lanyards must be worn at all times
- AirPod/Ear phones and mobile phones should not be visible around the school site. Students will be asked to remove these if seen. Sixth Form students must support staff in modelling this behaviour to younger students.

I would be very grateful if you could remind your child of the above points and prepare for sanctions to be put in place following the half term holidays. Financial support may be available, please apply in writing to Mrs Lofthouse (Pastoral Mentor).

If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact me.

With warmest wishes

Mrs E Parker Head of Sixth Form

