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## Our uniform expectations for the Academic Year 2024 - 2025

This document will outline our **uniform expectations** for next Academic year and the rewards, support systems and sanctions that will be issued accordingly.

Our uniform expectations have not changed. Pupils are expected to arrive at school in full uniform every day:

Compulsory uniform for all	Girl's uniform	Boy's uniform
Blazer – dark maroon, single breasted, with insignia	Skirt or trousers – black knee length skirt or trousers, plain black, tailored (no leggings or black jeans)	Trousers – plain black, tailored (no leggings or black jeans)
School Tie – in appropriate House colour	Socks – plain black	Socks – plain black
Shoes – plain, black leather (or leather type), full shoe (no trainers, plimsolls, pumps, boots or sandals or shoes with sports logo)	Tights – plain black or neutral	
Shirt – plain white, buttoned to the neck.		







Note: A plain black V-neck jumper may be worn but is not compulsory. **Round neck jumpers and/or V-neck jumpers with logos are not permissible.**

The official uniform supplier is: Baker & Son, 29 New Street, Wellington TF1 2LU. Parents are able to order items of uniform online at [www.bakerandsonschoolwear.co.uk](http://www.bakerandsonschoolwear.co.uk) or by telephone (01952) 641897.

### Why do we care about uniform?

We are really proud of our school community. We want all of our pupils to be a proud and equal part of this community and wearing our uniform smartly reflects this.

### Our approach to uniform:

Correct uniform	Missing or incorrect uniform	Missing or incorrect uniform
+1 positive point every day 	Borrow the missing uniform from school = no consequence 	Refusal to borrow missing uniform from school = -1 negative point 
	Request a PINK SLIP for a one day pass excusing the incorrect uniform = no consequence 	Unable to present a pink slip when asked to by the teacher = -1 negative point 
		Refusal to correct uniform = -1 

### **Rewards:**

All pupils who arrive in school in correct uniform will be awarded a +1 positive behaviour point by their mentor every day. This will be awarded as an EXCELLENCE point.

**Why?** We want to make sure we are celebrating our pupils who are doing the right thing every day. Dressing according to a dress code is a life skill, it also indicates pupils are actively participating in our school community and this should be celebrated.

### **Support before the school day:**

If a pupil arrives on school site in incorrect uniform, the following will happen:

- They will be prompted by a member of staff to attend our Welcome Window.
- Here they will have the opportunity to borrow any piece of missing uniform (trousers, skirt, blazer, shirt, tie and shoes).
- This will be logged as 'Borrowed Uniform' on Satchel One so you are aware that your child has a borrowed item that will need to be returned. **There will be no negative value attached to this log.**
- We will make contact with parents for children who are regularly borrowing uniform to see how we can support with purchasing the item for long term use.

If there is not an available piece of uniform to borrow (all already loaned out or only incorrect sizes left) the following will happen:

- Your child will be issued with a PINK SLIP.
- This must be shown to any staff member who requests to see it and excuses the pupil's incorrect uniform for ONE day.
- This will be logged as 'Pink Slip' on Satchel One so you are aware that your child needs to correct their uniform before the next day. **There will be no negative value attached to this log.**
- We will make contact with parents for children who are regularly requiring a PINK SLIP to see how we can support with purchasing the item for long term use.

### **Support during the school day:**

Your child will be questioned about any incorrect uniform throughout the school day. If they produce their pink slip or put their uniform correct, for example, put their blazer back on, tuck their shirt in, there will be no issued behaviour points.

**Why?** Young people are not going to get it right every time. We want to teach and encourage our pupils that their response to the mistake is what matters. Having a chance to put their uniform right without a consequence will support our pupils to take ownership of their decisions.

### **Consequences:**

We recognise that there are some circumstances when pupils might arrive at school with incorrect uniform – sometimes shoes break first thing in the morning, sometimes items are left at a different family member's home.

Your child will only receive a negative behaviour point for incorrect uniform **if they refuse to put it right:**

- Refusal to borrow uniform will result in a -1 point for incorrect uniform on Satchel One.

- Failure to show a pink slip when requested will result in a -1 point for incorrect uniform on Satchel One.
- Failure to correct uniform (tuck shirt in etc) will result in a -1 point for incorrect uniform on Satchel One.

**Why?** Our behaviour system is built on fairness and consistency. It would not be fair or consistent to allow some pupils to actively choose not to follow our school rules without a consequence for doing so.

If you know that purchasing school uniform is going to be difficult, please do reach out to the school to see how we can support.