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Dear Parent/Carer

## Uniform updates and expectations for September

As we prepare for the upcoming academic year, I wanted to take this opportunity to share some important information and standards regarding the school uniform. There have been a few changes especially to the skirt section.

The school policy on uniform is designed to enable students to dress appropriately for work at school, without undue cost being involved. Taking pride in their appearance and demonstrating respect for the values of the school is very important to our students.

Uniform must be worn by all students whilst in attendance at the school, on the way to and from school and on all school visits unless the executive headteacher has given prior permission to the contrary.

# **Uniform requirements:**

#### 1. Blazers:

• All students of years 7, 8, 9 and 10 must wear a navy blue blazer with the school badge.

#### 2. Jumpers:

 Students can wear a navy blue v-neck jumper under their blazer but <u>NOT</u> in place of their blazer. Cardigans are not acceptable uniform.

# 3. White shirts:

• Students must wear a plain white shirt (short sleeve or long sleeve) with a conventional collar and their house coloured tie.

## 4. Trousers:

• When trousers are worn they should be black or dark/charcoal grey. Jeans, chinos, cords, tight trousers, leggings or hipsters are not acceptable.

## 5. Skirts:

When skirts are worn they should be black or dark/charcoal grey. They need to be of an appropriate length. Jersey tight fitted tube style skirts are NOT acceptable along with denim or corduroy fabrics. Skirts with slits at the side or front are NOT acceptable. If skirts are too short students will be required to borrow a school skirt from the attendance/pastoral office to wear until they can provide a suitable alternative. Leopards in Wroxham have stock of suitable skirts that AHS has approved.

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#### 6. Shoes:

All students must wear low-heeled, black shoes or ankle boots. Students are allowed to
wear black trainers with black soles and no other evident colours, markings or visible
branding. (Any visible branding would need to be coloured out using permanent
marker). Stiletto heels cause floor damage are not acceptable. Mixed coloured trainers and
ugg-style boots are not acceptable. Students not in correct footwear will be required to change
into plimsolls. Students are not allowed to wear any open toed style shoe.

#### 7. Ties:

Students are to wear their school house colour tie.

## 8. Belts:

• Large ornamental, studded or coloured belts should not be worn. A black belt with a conventional buckle is acceptable.

#### 9. Jewellery:

Jewellery is restricted to two small studs, one in each ear. Nose piercings should be replaced
with a clear retainer, however <u>all</u> jewellery must be removed for PE. Other forms of body
piercing (face, tongue, naval etc.) are not permitted. Students will be required to remove
them or spend time in isolation.

#### 10. Make-up:

• If worn, make-up should be minimal and discreet. Nail varnish and gel nails should not be worn and students will be required to remove them.

## 11. Hoodies:

Hoodies can only be worn over student's blazers as part of their outdoor layer as they
would a coat to keep them warm. They are <u>NOT</u> allowed to wear a hoodie instead of their
blazer. Students will be challenged if this happens.

## 12. Socks and Tights:

When socks are worn they can be trainer socks or ankle socks. When tights are worn they
must be black/navy/grey or neutral.

#### 13. Uniform for Y11:

 Year 11 uniform is as above except a black v-neck jumper with AHS badge is worn instead of a blazer.

## **Summer Term:**

#### 14. Polo Shirts:

• Students are able to wear the blue AHS polo shirts or a plain sky blue polo shirt along with their blazers for the whole of this term.

## 15. Shorts:

 Knee-length tailored or cargo shorts in dark grey or black can be worn by all students for this term. No cycling shorts, sports shorts or tight shorts are to be worn.

Full details on all uniform can be found here: <u>School Uniform and Personal Belongings - Aylsham High</u> School and all uniform is sold from Leopards in Wroxham. Address details are found in the above link.

# **Enforcement and Consequences:**

It is crucial that all students adhere to the uniform policy consistently. Our staff will conduct regular checks to ensure compliance. Anything that is deemed inappropriate and/or offensive is not acceptable and will be challenged. The Executive Headteacher and senior leaders reserve the right to isolate any students who this may apply to.

If your child forgets or loses their tie, one can be borrowed from the attendance/pastoral office. A new tie can be purchased from the finance office.

If you require any assistance or have any concerns, please do not hesitate to contact the school office by email on <a href="mailto:office@aylshamhigh.norfolk.sch.uk">office@aylshamhigh.norfolk.sch.uk</a>. We are committed to working together to find suitable solutions and support every student.

Thank you for your cooperation in ensuring that our students are dressed appropriately for a productive learning environment. We look forward to another successful year at Aylsham High School. Should you have any further questions, or require clarification, please feel free to email <a href="mailto:office@aylshamhigh.norfolk.sch.uk">office@aylshamhigh.norfolk.sch.uk</a>

Kind regards

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