20th September 2017

Dear Parents/Carers

School Uniform

As we start the second full week of term, I am contacting you to thank you for your ongoing support with our school dress code. The vast majority our students look superb in their Bullers Wood uniforms and are proving to be excellent ambassadors of the School, both on and off site.

For your reference, I outline a few reminders regarding our uniform expectations especially as inclement weather will soon be upon us.

- Please check that your daughters' skirts are of knee length or below. If your daughter has grown over the holidays ensure that you purchase a new skirt, alternatively, you may wish to purchase the new school trousers. Your daughter's skirt should fit around the waist and should not need to be not be rolled down at the waistband in order to fit properly. This not only shortens the length of the skirt but also breaks the zip on, what is, an expensive garment.
- School coats should be of a plain black fabric with long sleeves. Large logos, denim, leather, suede, PVC and fur coats/jackets are not permitted.
- Shoes or low ankle boots should be black, sensible, low-heeled and of a traditional style, (with black laces if appropriate). No trainers, canvas shoes, open-toes, flip flops, sling-backs or casual style footwear are permitted.
- Jewellery, make-up, false and/or coloured/nails and eyelashes are not permitted.

We therefore ask that parents and carers exercise careful judgement in matters of uniform and that they check with their Head of Year any potential purchases that might prove controversial and expensive with us beforehand.

Please see attached the relevant section from the school dress code which can also be found on the school website and/or using the link below to the Behaviour policy:


Road Safety

The safety of all children is a primary concern to all parents, carers and staff at Bullers Wood school. Due to past traffic incidents on the roads around the school we kindly ask that you take a few minutes to be reminded of the following. Our aim is to reduce (as is reasonably possible) the risk of any accidents.

We therefore encourage all students to walk to school and/or to use public transport. Where public transport options are impractical and students need to be dropped/collected by car, we encourage you to ‘Park and Stride’ – i.e. students are dropped/collected a little further away from school at a quieter point on the road and walk the remaining part of the journey. These obviously have the added benefit of being a healthy option, as well as reducing traffic.

If and when you do have occasion to drop/collect your daughter/son by car, please be considerate when parking on local roads – in particular heeding any parking/waiting restrictions and not stopping in front of a ‘dropped kerb’, and always be mindful of speed when in the vicinity of the school.
We want our students to grow up fit and healthy, without encountering any serious accidents. We will continue to remind students of their contribution to road safety in our assemblies and form periods, and should be grateful for your support as outlined above.

Yours sincerely

Julie Lile
Deputy Headteacher

Uniform List for Years 7 - 11

- Navy V-neck pullover or cardigan with School Badge*
- “A” line Black Watch tartan skirt with inverted pleats knee length or below*
- Navy Trousers with the School Badge*
- Cream blouse with reverses*
- Navy or Black below knee length or short socks, or plain Navy or Black tights - patterned tights are not permitted.
- Black, sensible, low-heeled, traditional, shoes or low ankle boots only, (with black laces if appropriate). No trainers, canvas shoes, open-toes, flip flops, sling-backs or casual style footwear.
- Black plain, fabric coat with long sleeves. (*Large logos, denim, leather, suede, PVC and fur coats/jackets are not allowed)
- Plain scarf or hat (optional) in any of the school colours (ie. cream/white/navy/dark green/red/black). This may not be worn in lessons
- A strong waterproof black school bag large enough for A4 books and files.

Jewellery, Make-Up, Nails, Hair and Eyelashes

Jewellery is not part of school uniform. The only items permitted are:

- one pair of small, plain silver or gold stud earrings for pierced ears
  (one earring in each lower ear lobe) and/or
- a small chain with a religious symbol, if appropriate.
- a watch (which is encouraged).

Other body jewellery, including any form of facial or body piercing (other than earrings in the ear lobe) are not permitted. Students must not cover piercings or use spacers and assume that this is acceptable. Make up of any description should not be worn. Students will be asked to remove their makeup with wipes or wash it off in the cloakrooms. False eyelashes should not be worn. Nail varnish, false nails or acrylic nails are not permitted. Students will be asked to remove before returning to lessons. Hair accessories should be of school colours – cream, white, navy, dark green, red or black. No large flamboyant hair accessories. Hair should be of a natural colour and appearance. No extreme hair styles or shaved hair is allowed. Students will spend time in inclusion until any of the above issues are rectified.