

Dear families

We wrote to you at the start of July regarding uniform changes [here](#) and also referred to this in the July newsletter. We are contacting families now to explain how we will phase in our uniform expectations, giving students and families the opportunity to correct inappropriate uniform.

Phase 1

- All students will watch a recorded message about uniform expectations
- Staff will have informal conversations with students inappropriately dressed as they enter the academy on 3 and 4 September, reminding them of our expectations

Phase 2 (wc 7 September)

- Staff, including Heads of Year will be greeting students as they enter in the morning, with uniform being checked
- If a student is dressed inappropriately a text/Arbor message will be sent to the family, with an expectation that uniform is corrected for the following Monday. If there are any barriers to correcting the uniform, families should contact their respective Head of Year

Phase 3 (wc 14 September)

- Staff, including Heads of Year will be greeting students as they enter in the morning, with uniform being checked
- If a student is dressed inappropriately a text/Arbor message will be sent to the family along with a phone call. There remains the expectation that uniform is corrected for the following Monday. If there are any barriers to correcting the uniform, families should contact their respective Head of Year

Phase 4 (from 21 September onwards)

- Staff, including Heads of Year will be greeting students as they enter in the morning, with uniform being checked as this is part of the usual start to the academy day
- If a student is dressed inappropriately, they will be sent home to correct their uniform, and must return within 1 hour to avoid an unauthorised absence mark.
- Contact will be made with families to inform them that their child has been sent home to change.
- If a student is unable to correct their uniform, they are expected to borrow the required piece of clothing from the academy
- If a student displays sustained defiance regarding the wearing of correct uniform they place themselves at risk of suspension