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LMT/CA

18th February 2022

Dear Parent / Carer

We feel it to be an opportune time to remind ourselves of some of the sound foundations that have helped to establish Shenley Academy into a successful school. Although they may be perceived to be small details, their worth are widely regarded as being invaluable in helping to and continuing to create a safe and happy environment within schools.

Our standards and expectations for your child's appearance at school have, and always will be high and reasonable. Without doubt, a child's appearance defines the respect a pupil has towards him/herself and his/her school. We would therefore like to highlight a few things that, with your support as parents, ensure that the standards we have in Shenley Academy will remain ones that you as parents, the pupils and us as a staff can be proud of.

The information as far as our expectations for pupils' uniform is outlined clearly in your child's planner and on the school website.

- Plain black formal school shoes (leather or leather like material without a logo). Trainers are not permitted.
- Plain black trousers or a plain black knee length skirt only. Jeans (including skinny jeans), cords, skinny lycra trousers or combat trousers of any kind are not permitted. Tight elasticated skirts are not permitted.
- Plain white school shirt
- Academy tie (To be worn at all times)
- Black/red v-neck sweater with Academy badge
- Jewellery - one pair of plain studs at the bottom of the ear. Jewellery is not permitted to be worn on any other part of the body (including nose piercings) for Health and Safety reasons.
- Nail varnish, coloured nails and nail extensions are not permitted.
- Make-up is not allowed at all for students in Years 7-9, with discreet make-up only for students in Years 10 and 11.

1st March 2022 Changes

From 1st March we will be monitoring uniform closely and regularly - any pupil not adhering to the uniform policy will be expected to alter/change immediately – we will have spare, clean uniform (e.g. jumpers, shoes and ties) for pupils that are not wearing the correct uniform. Pupils wearing nose piercings will be expected to hand these in the school office to be collected at the end of the day. Any pupil that currently has a nose piercing, nail extensions or coloured nails will need to remove these by the 1st March 2022. Please make suitable arrangements if necessary over half term.

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If there is a problem with your child's uniform, please ensure that they have a note (with the date) from yourselves explaining the reason. We will be reasonable with these requests, but expect parents/pupils to resolve the issue promptly.

We would like to thank you for your co-operation once again, and appreciate your co-operation throughout the year. If there are any queries or problems purchasing school uniform please contact your child's Pastoral Manager or myself.

Yours faithfully

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