

SIXTH FORM DRESS CODE

This dress code sets the tone for the rest of the school in terms of appearance: Year 12 and 13 students' dress should be smart, business-like and appropriate to their position as role models for those in lower years. Staff do not want to be involved in arguments about what is or is not acceptable, although they will be happy to advise if a student is unsure whether any aspect of their dress is within the guidelines set out below.

The final decision about what is appropriate is down to the Head of Year, Head of Sixth Form and ultimately the Headmaster. Wearing of inappropriate uniform/jewellery/hairstyles may result in the student being sent home.

- **A black, navy or grey, plain or pinstripe business suit. (skirt or trousers)**
- Skirts should be the same colour as the jacket and should be worn on or below the knee. The skirt should be of proper suiting material and should not cling to the body.
- Smart trousers in proper suiting material of the same colour as the jacket. Jeans or skin-tight trousers are not to be worn.
- A smart black, navy or grey suit jacket with lapels worn with matching skirt or trousers.
- A smart blouse with a collar and sleeves. Blouses must not be see-through or revealing. Ties are optional. If worn without a tie, t-shirts or vest tops should not be visible.
Or
- A plain tailored business shirt with buttons up to the neck worn with a tie. Ties are mandatory and are to be worn properly at all times. These will be Sixth Form ties/House ties or ties related to achievement at Pate's (ie - Sports tours). They must be done up to the collar.
- **Sixth form ties can be purchased via Schoolgateway and from the Sixth Form Office at a cost of £6.00.**
- A plain V-neck fine knit sweater worn, if necessary, under jacket. Not to be worn instead of a jacket. Hoodies are not permitted.
- Black, navy or brown shoes must be appropriately smart, practical and sensible.
- Jewellery and piercings should be subtle and unobtrusive. A small and discreet nose stud will be allowed. A nose ring however is unacceptable and you will be asked to remove it before being allowed to return to school.
- No 'extreme', non-natural hair colours are permitted.