

Friday 1st November 2019

Dear Parent/Carer,

I would like to thank you for your continued support of the school and its policies. To ensure our students achieve their best, we must also ensure that we remain consistent in our approach to all aspects of their learning at The Cumberland School, which is why we must also address their personal presentation.

We feel consistency is a critical thing to try and achieve for all of our students. Personal presentation is important in the world and we want to make sure that all our students develop a sense of pride in how they look.

Therefore, I would like to take this opportunity to remind you of some key details of the uniform policy at TCS. It is important that all students adhere to these guidelines at all times, which have been outlined below:

- All items of uniform must be plain, without accessories, logos, decoration or any other colours
- Blazer: navy blue with the school logo - this must be worn at all times in the building
- Shirt: plain white shirt with a collar, which should also be tucked in
- Tie: TCS tie must reach one's waist when worn to ensure two stripes are visible
- Jumper: this is optional. If worn, it must be the TCS V-neck jumper with the school's logo.
- Trousers: plain navy blue, tailored, regular fit (denim or coloured pocket zips are not permissible)
- Skirt: plain navy blue, knee-length, pleated with the school logo
- Socks or tights: plain black, navy, grey
- Shoes: plain black leather school shoes, providing adequate protection and support. Casual footwear such as fabric, canvas, trainers, sandals, pumps are not permitted as well as Dr Martens, high heels, boots, coloured laces, and coloured stitching
- Coat: plain navy blue or black. These must be removed when in the school building. Coats and jackets should not be leather, suede or denim. Items such as hoodies, sweatshirts, sports tops, body warmers or gillets must also be removed before entering the school building
- Hijab and abaya: plain navy blue and must have the school logo. This can be purchased from Ian Howards in Newham.

Jewellery, decoration and other items

- A single necklace or bracelet for religious reasons
- Earrings: small plain studs, matching pair or single
- Hair fasteners allowed and should be either plain black or blue
- Belts: belt buckles should not be oversized or emblazoned with logos
- Make-up: to be modest and discreet (no lipstick, false eyelashes, acrylic nails)
- No facial or body jewellery, unnatural hair colour, tattoos, false nail extensions
- Hats: plain black woollen hat, only to be worn outside the buildings during cold weather (no baseball caps, visors or any type of bandana)

We expect all students to be in correct uniform. Students who choose not to follow the correct uniform policy will be sanctioned for deliberate defiance of school rules in accordance with our behaviour policy.

We are very proud of our school and of our students and believe that high standards of uniform, behaviour, being properly equipped and attending regularly give each and every one of our students the best chance of learning well and achieving their very best.

Thank you all very much in advance of your anticipated support and understanding.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Omar Deria', written in a cursive style.

Mr Omar Deria
Head of School