

10 September 2020

Dear Parents/Carers

Personal presentation is important in the world of work and we want to make sure that every Cumberland student develops a sense of pride in how they look. Therefore, as of **Monday 14 September 2020**, in a change to previous advice, students must attend school in full school uniform at all times. They will no longer be permitted to arrive at school in their PE kits even if they have PE in Period 1. PE kits must be brought into school and students will change into them as and when they have a PE lesson. They must then change back into full school uniform for all their other lessons.

Our changing rooms are cleaned regularly throughout the day in accordance with guidance from Public Health England. We continue to provide wipes and hand sanitisers to encourage regular washing of hands and make sure that students remain in their bubble during PE lessons. Students must **not wear white socks** and the **abaya should be bought from Ian Howard (contact details are provided at the end of this letter) if required**. Students are not permitted to wear plain abayas.

Please read our uniform policy and expectations below. These ensure we set high standards of presentation for all of our students which is conducive to the high expectations of learning we have as a school.

The Cumberland School (TCS) uniform expectations:

All uniform items must be plain, without accessories, logos, decoration or any other colours.

All students are expected to adhere to the following uniform expectations:

- Blazer: navy blue TCS blazer with logo, must be worn at all times in the building
- Shirt: plain white shirt with collar, must be tucked in
- Tie: TCS tie, worn to the waist. Two stripes must be visible
- Jumper (optional): TCS V-Neck with logo
- Trousers: plain navy blue, tailored, regular fit (no denim, coloured pocket zips)
- Skirt: plain navy blue, knee-length, pleated with logo
- Socks or tights: plain black or navy
- Shoes: plain black leather school shoes, providing adequate protection and support (no casuals, fabric, canvas, trainers, sandals, pumps, 'work type' shoes e.g. Dr Martens boots, high heels, boots, coloured laces, coloured stitching)

- Coat: plain navy blue or black, to be removed on entering the building (no leather, suede, denim, hoody, sweatshirt, sports top, body warmer or gilet)
- Abaya: Plain navy blue and must have the school logo (can be purchased from Ian Howard)

PE Kit

- The Cumberland School white PE polo shirt
- The Cumberland School navy track suit or navy shorts
- Navy socks
- Trainers

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, tattoos, false nail extensions. Students must also have their natural hair colour
- Hats: plain black woollen hat and gloves, only to be worn outside the buildings during cold weather (no baseball caps, visors or any type of bandana)
- No scarves, snoods (neck warmers) to be worn in the school, with the exception of a head scarf which must be plain navy blue

We expect all students to be in the correct uniform. Students who choose not to abide by the uniform expectations will be sanctioned in accordance with our behaviour policy for deliberate defiance of school rules. The school may confiscate items of clothing worn to school that are not school uniform items. In some cases the school may provide an alternative or send the student home to rectify the problem.

If there are any questions or issues regarding the above, please contact your child’s Head of Learning in advance.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours faithfully

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