

St Joseph's Catholic Academy

A Leading Edge Technology & Applied Learning College

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Dear Parent/Carer,

We are very proud of St. Joseph's Catholic Academy and of our students. We believe that high standards of behaviour, uniform being properly equipped and excellent attendance give our students the very best chance of learning and achieving their full potential. It is fair to say the resilience our students have shown throughout this pandemic is inspiring.

Uniform is an important part of our school's identity; it reinforces who we are as a community and helps allow students to feel pride in St. Joseph's Catholic Academy. It also ensures students are not put under any pressure because of the type of clothes they wear and all are treated equally. We have high expectations of our students when it comes to their personal appearance. I'm pleased to say that the vast majority of our students are very smartly dressed and wear their uniform with pride. It is thanks to the support of our parents and carers that uniform and behaviour standards remain high and this is something regularly commented on by visitors to our school.

Can I please remind parents of a few key points from our current (Covid amended) uniform and behaviour policies:

- Hooded tops should only be worn on the days where a student has PE and that blazers should be worn at all times in school every day.
- Jewellery and make up is not allowed in school other than a wrist watch for years 7 – 11.
- Pupils mobile phones should be switched off and stored in bags during the day. Any pupil seen using their phone will have it confiscated and will need to be collected by a parent / carer

If a student's appearance does not meet the expected standard, including blazers, jewellery and make up, the school reserves the right to apply sanctions in line with our behaviour policy.

Thank you all very much in advance of your continued support as we move towards the final half term of this academic year.

Yours Sincerely,

M.J.Price
Deputy Head Teacher

