



Rawmarsh Community School



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Dear Parent

Uniform

In November we wrote with regard to student conduct. Since then we have seen a marked improvement in both classroom and break-time behaviour. The use of mobile phones has improved and I would like to thank all parents for their support with this.

Once again I would like to reiterate our position with regard to uniform. We believe, unconditionally, that uniform has a strong correlation with school performance and student outcomes. Uniform **is essential** in ensuring a calm and business-like atmosphere in school.

Our expectations regarding uniform are stated within our School Behaviour and Discipline Policy on our website and consist of:

- Black tailored trousers or black, knee length skirt.
- White shirt.
- Black V neck jumper or cardigan with school logo.
- Footwear must be plain black leather with no stripes or logos.
- Make-up should be discreet and minimal with **no false eyelashes, false nails, bright or garish nail colours.**
- Extreme hair cuts are not allowed. It is the school's discretion as to what constitutes 'extreme' but usually involves shaven heads, multi-coloured or unusually coloured hair.
- Jewellery must be kept to a minimum; no more than one small earring, sleeper or stud in each ear. Facial piercings are not allowed on school site.
- Gold, silver and bronze award pin badges should be worn as part of school uniform.

Uniform continues to be good throughout school and the majority of our students wear correct uniform and are proud to be part of our school community. This is an expectation of all students.

As we did in September, the Senior Leadership Team will continue to complete uniform duty in a morning on the top and bottom gates. **All** students wearing incorrect uniform are at risk of being sent home to change and making up the time after school. **Any** student refusing to adhere to our uniform policy is at risk of exclusion.

False Nails

We have seen an increase in the number of students wearing false nails since the start of this half term. These are not compliant with our school uniform policy and students not complying will have a consequence directed by their Head of Year.

From Monday 14th January, students have been told they have three weeks to remove their false nails. The school's position is as follows:

- False nails continue to be a breach of our school uniform policy.

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- Until 4th February, Heads of Year will put in place a consequence for students who have false nails.
- From 4th February, any students with false nails will be isolated from lessons.

As always, your help in reinforcing school rules is invaluable, and I very much appreciate your continued support. If you have any concerns, please contact the SPM office, or your child's form tutor.

Yours sincerely

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