

## **Sixth Form Dress Code.**

### **General principles:**

- Sixth Formers are seen as role-models within the school and as ambassadors by parents and the community outside. Although there is not a formal Sixth Form uniform the school still expects a high standard of personal appearance.
- The dress code is based on the requirement for Sixth Form students to appear both smart and appropriate in a school environment. Essentially the dress code requires students to appear professional through smart business / office wear or smart country attire.
- We believe that students are able to adhere to these principles and the parameters and guidance below while still being able to represent their own individual tastes and preferences.

### **Gents:**

- Smart suit; alternatively smart classic tailored trousers with jacket or blazer.
- Buttoned shirt with tie.
- Smart sensible-looking shoes (e.g. leather / leather look Oxfords / brogues, etc.).

### **Ladies:**

- Smart suit; alternatively smart classic tailored skirt or trousers with jacket or blazer.
- Buttoned shirt / smart top.
- Alternatively dresses may be worn.
- In all cases:
  - no low neck line / visible cleavage;
  - no stringy tops and / or vest tops;
  - skirt length (as usually worn) is to be no higher than one inch measured from the top of the knee cap.
- Smart sensible shoes with a maximum heel height of three inches.

### **Further guidance for ladies and for gents:**

- Smart / tailored trousers excludes skinny trousers and / or jeans or jean-style trousers (with raised / double seams, etc.).
- Skin-tight / clingy clothing (including high lycra / 'bodycon' clothing) may not be worn.
- Smart shoes excludes trainers and other clearly casual shoes.
- Jackets / blazers must be worn around school at all times.
- Coats and other outdoor clothing should be removed on entry to school buildings.
- Sports clothing may only be worn during sports sessions, not prior to or in between sessions.
- Technology may only be used in the Sixth Form Common Room and should not be used or be in sight around the rest of the school.

### **Monitoring and sanctions:**



- In school the dress code will be monitored by all staff though particularly by Sixth Form tutors and the Sixth Form team and by boarding staff.
- Students disregarding the Dress Code will be warned and, on repetition, face the following escalation of sanctions:
  - parents informed;
  - formal meeting with Head of Sixth Form, tutor, student and parents / carers;
  - formal meeting with the Headmaster and / or the Assistant Head Pastoral, Head of Sixth Form, tutor, student and parents / carers.
- Students wearing particularly inappropriate clothing may face an immediate escalation of sanctions and be asked to go home / to the boarding house to change.
- Prefects may lose their Prefect badge for disregarding the Dress Code.