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Dear Parent/Carer,

As we enter the Whitsun break after a half term of hard work and excellent progress from our pupils, I write to you to ask for your support on a few areas.

Pupil behaviour on buses

As we promote our 'Telling school' value for pupils to inform us when others are not upholding our values, we are receiving some reports of a small number of children who are not behaving appropriately on the school buses and bringing water guns on the buses. Any pupils being unsafe or unpleasant towards others, which goes against our values, will be sanctioned accordingly. In working with West Midlands travel, we may ban children from using these buses. Any water guns brought into school will be confiscated and destroyed.

Uniform

A reminder that our uniform consists of:

- Black blazer
- White school shirt
- School tie in house colours (minimum of 6 stripes to be visible)
- Black 'V' neck long sleeve jumper (optional)
- Black tailored trousers or black formal skirt (appropriate length)
- Black socks or tights (not patterned)
- Plain black leather shoes
- Small stud earrings to be worn in the lower lobe
- No facial piercings, nail varnish, false lashes or false nails
- Natural hair colour only

Recently we have had an increase in pupils wearing unsmart white socks and of a small number of girls wearing inappropriate length skirts. We ask for your support in addressing this. Pupils not upholding the correct standard of uniform following the half-term break will be sanctioned.

More detail for clarity on the expected standard of uniform (including appropriate skirts) can be found at <https://smestowacademy.co.uk/uniform/>

Water Bottles

As we enter a period warmer weather, and we promote a 'drink to think' culture, can we ask that all pupils bring a refillable bottle to stay hydrated through the school day. We have plenty of water dispensers around school to support pupils with this.



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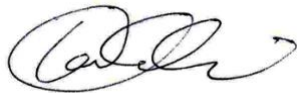
Year 11 Final Exams

Can parents of Year 11 pupils please ensure that all children are in school no later than 8:30am. This will ensure your child can attend the prep session in the specific subject on that day, to be best prepared for the exam. For example, a Year 11 pupil who did not attend the prep session, as they were late in to school, answered the wrong question in an English exam.

If you have any concerns or need any further support for your child (this may be with securing the correct uniform) please get in touch on 01902 539500 and request to speak to Head of House.

Thank you as ever for your on-going support. As we always say 'Success achieved together'.

Yours faithfully



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