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#### Dear Parent

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your support this year and wish you a restful summer break; students return on Thursday 6 September 2018.

Over the summer, significant work will be undertaken to improve D block; the learning experience will be enhanced as a result of new carpets, blinds and a thorough painting programme.

In September a number of new staff will be joining the school including a new Deputy Headteacher, a new Senior Pastoral Manager, a new subject leader for History and a new subject leader for PE and Health. Although it is always sad to say goodbye to colleagues, and I am grateful for everything they have done, I am particularly pleased with the calibre of new staff joining the school.

I would be grateful if you could support your child over the summer term to return in September with the correct learning kit and school uniform; details have been included with this letter.

Yours sincerely

Mr S Wilson Headteacher









# **Smithdon High School**

## **Uniform Policy**

#### Uniform

- Black blazer with school badge embroidered on the breast pocket (from school supply) must be worn at all times around the school site. Blazers may be removed in classrooms with the class teacher's permission. In hot weather, the Headteacher may give permission for blazers to be carried instead of worn.
- Black school 'clip-on' tie with coloured stripe according to year group (from school supply).
- Black full length tailored trousers no jeans, chinos, cords, Skinny trousers, leggings or jeggings.
- Black knee length skirt no stretchy or textured material, with plain black tights or black socks
  no over the knee socks, trainer socks, footless tights or leggings.
- Plain white formal shirt (stiff collared, buttoned to collar and tucked in).
- Black V-neck jumper with school badge (optional).
- Plain black socks.
- Black school shoes no trainers or shoes with sports logo, no high heels, platforms, sling backs or backless shoes (maximum heel height 5cm). Shoes need to be safe to wear in a variety of school environments.
- · Outdoor coats (to and from school).
- · No sweatshirts, hooded sweatshirts, denim or leather jackets.
- If a belt needs to be worn (through belt loops), it must be plain black without motifs, embellishments or decoration.

## **Jewellery**

- Piercings no visible body/facial piercings or retainers including tongue piercings and ear 'tunnels' are to be worn.
- One small pair of plain stud earrings may be worn but must be removed to allow pupils to participate in PE.
- No rings, necklaces or bracelets are to be worn (Medical necklace/bracelets are allowed).
- Pupils may wear a wristwatch.

## Make-up

- · Light make-up may be worn but must be discreet.
- No false eyelashes.
- Hair may not be dyed bright or 'unnatural colours'.
- No nail varnish.
- Acrylic/Gel/Nexgen nails or tips are not allowed in school. This is a Health & Safety risk.

### Equipment

A scientific calculator is now a compulsory piece of school equipment and students are required to have one with them at all times.

Students are expected to have a reading book with them at all times.

We discourage students bringing mobile phones, Ipods, smart watches etc onto school site. If these are brought into school it is at the risk of the owner and must be switched off between the hours of  $8.30 \, \text{am} - 3.00 \, \text{pm}$ .