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Monday 1st September

Dear Parent/Carer,

We are excited and looking forward to welcoming our students back to school after the long summer Break and I am sure you are already working on embedding morning routines and organising uniform and equipment for the new academic year.

All students return on **Monday 8th September** and the school day starts promptly at 8.30am with all students attending line-up. Therefore, students should be on the school site **no later than 8.25am**. Students are welcome to attend for breakfast from 8.05am in the main hall where cereals and toasted bagels are available for all students free of charge as part of the National Breakfast programme.

Students are expected to be wearing full school uniform and be fully equipped for the day's lessons. Please see below the relevant sections of school policy relating to uniform, jewellery, equipment and mobile phone expectations. Please do not hesitate to contact the relevant Achievement Team if there are any issues that we need to be aware of or you require help with uniform items.

UNIFORM

- School blazer * (this is a compulsory part of the uniform that must be worn at line-up and throughout the day. Teachers will give permission to remove when appropriate.
- White collared, short or long-sleeved school shirt
- School tie*
- Black school trousers no jeans, no skinny cut, no leggings, no low fitting styles allowed
- School skirt *
- Plain round or V-neck black jumper, no logos (optional, not to be worn instead of blazer)
- Plain grey or black socks or tights
- Plain black school shoes or trainers (no plimsolls or canvas), flat with black soles and laces. The shoe/trainer must be completely black and polishable.
- *These items are only available through our uniform suppliers Uniform Direct

Examples of plain black polishable trainers that are allowed.

















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Examples of trainers that are **not** permitted.







Hoodies are not part of our uniform and students will be expected to remove these on entry into the school grounds.

Please see the school website for further details and/or clarification - Uniform - Da Vinci Academy

JEWELLERY

Jewellery of any description is not encouraged and is not practical for many reasons. One pair of small, plain stud earrings (one in each ear lobe), a watch and a single nose stud are the only items allowed to be worn. Bracelets, nose rings, large dangly or hooped earrings, stretchers or any other types of piercing are not permitted, and students will be asked to remove them. We have introduced a 'jewellery issue' alert on Class Charts so you will be aware if your child is not meeting expectations. Jewellery will be confiscated from persistent offenders so please encourage your child to leave valuable jewellery safely at home.

Make-up of any description is discouraged and should be natural. Students will be required to remove any excessive make up. Extreme hairstyles and colours, patterns and tramlines are not allowed.

EQUIPMENT

We ask that you support us in ensuring that your child is ready to learn with the correct equipment for the day. All students should arrive at school with at least one black pen, a purple pen, a pencil, and a ruler, preferably in a pencil case.

All students in years 10 and 11 will also be expected to have a scientific calculator for their maths and science work. These should all be kept in a sturdy, appropriate school bag. Uniform and equipment will be checked every morning in line-up.

MOBILE PHONES

The expectations relating to the use of mobile phones in school have not changed. Students are permitted to bring their mobile phone to school, but it should be turned off and remain out of sight during the school day. Any student who is seen using their mobile phone and/or ear pods during the school day will have their items confiscated and kept safely in reception until the end of their school day. This policy is already in place, but we will be consistently enforcing this rule and ask that this is fully supported by parents/carers. We ask that you support us with this matter by not trying to contact your











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child on their mobile phone during the school day. In an emergency, please contact the school office, and we will pass any messages onto your child.

We are immensely proud of our school and our students and firmly believe that high standards of uniform and behaviour, with all students being properly equipped and attending regularly, gives every one of our students the best chance of learning well and achieving their academic potential as well as promoting responsibility, one of our academy core values.

Thank you all very much in advance of your anticipated support.

Yours sincerely,

Miss J Scattergood

Headteacher







