



## Lode Heath School

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Dear Parent/Carer

### UNIFORM

When we return to school in January 2019 we will be having a “uniform focus”.

By ensuring that students wear the uniform correctly this reflects our desire to set high standards for the students both within school and outside, when travelling to or from school, or attending an event.

We will be checking that students are wearing full uniform and students are expected to come to school neatly dressed in clean school uniform.

We expect that the full uniform is being worn correctly with blazer/shirt sleeves rolled down; shirt tucked into skirt/trousers and the top shirt button fastened (some students have lost buttons or do not have appropriately designed or fitting collars). The tie should be worn showing a minimum of 12 stripes and the knot pulled up to the collar. Skirts are not to be rolled up/tucked under the waistband and should be just above the knee in length. Trousers should be formal suit style and fit loosely with the waistband buttoned and reaching to the top of shoes. Footwear should be plain, black and of a formal style; trainers or other casual styles are not permitted.

A detailed description of the school uniform is printed on the reverse of this letter for your information.

We believe that a smart appearance contributes positively to the students' attitude to work and study; it also influences how our school is portrayed by the general public and to visitors in school.

We ask for your support in ensuring that uniform is correctly worn and believe this is essential in helping establish a sense of responsibility and professionalism in each student. This will also help students avoid sanctions, which can include detentions, for failing to meet expectations.

Yours sincerely

Ms L Suddon  
Headteacher



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The school adheres strongly to the belief that school uniform is a factor in establishing a controlled atmosphere in which students can work efficiently. It is hoped that parents will co-operate in ensuring that their children wear correct uniform at all times. The list is as follows:-

Boys	Girls
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Black blazer with school badge.</li> <li>● Plain white shirt.</li> <li>● School tie - fastened at the collar, with minimum of 12 stripes of the tie showing.</li> <li>● Plain black 'V' neck jumper/cardigan (not long).</li> <li>● Plain black school trousers which hang from the waist. <b>Not</b> drainpipe, tight tapered or turn-up styles. No denim or Lycra. No adornments.</li> <li>● Plain black formal shoes. <i>Boots, sports/logo shoes are <b>not</b> permitted.</i></li> <li>● <b>Outdoor coat:</b> Suitable for wet weather, to be worn over the blazer. <i>Hooded sweatshirts/coloured tops/tank tops are <b>not</b> permitted in school and will be confiscated</i></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Black blazer with school badge.</li> <li>● Plain white shirt.</li> <li>● School tie - fastened at the collar, with minimum of 12 stripes of the tie showing.</li> <li>● Plain black 'V' neck jumper/cardigan (not long).</li> <li>● Plain black school trousers which hang from the waist. <b>Not</b> drainpipe, tight tapered or turn-up styles. No denim or Lycra. No adornments.</li> <li>● Plain black formal shoes. <i>High heels, platform, backless shoes, boots, sports/logo shoes are <b>not</b> permitted.</i></li> <li>● <b>Outdoor coat:</b> Suitable for wet weather, to be worn over the blazer. <i>Hooded sweatshirts/coloured tops/tank tops are <b>not</b> permitted in school and will be confiscated.</i></li> <li>● <b>Skirt:</b> Regulation black box pleat skirt with visible gold waistband and Lode Heath Star. This can be purchased from Early Years or Clive Marks. No other skirt is permitted.</li> <li>● <b>Tights/Ankle Socks:</b> Plain black or beige, or plain black ankle socks (<b><u>not knee high or over the knee</u></b> socks or leggings)</li> </ul>
<b>Hair, makeup, jewellery and other accessories</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Hair should be a natural colour, no shorter than No. 2. (No extreme styles, including 'tramlines', sculpting or undercuts).</li> <li>● The wearing of make-up and nail varnish is not permitted. <b>This includes acrylic/gel or any other fake nails.</b> Fake tan is not permitted.</li> <li>● Jewellery may not be worn on display other than a watch and a single plain stud may be worn in each ear. No rings, zips, chains, wide belts or ear stretchers. No other body piercing is permitted.</li> <li>● Smart watches e.g. iWatch are not permitted to be worn or brought into school.</li> <li>● Students may change footwear for sport at break or lunch but must return to the building in full uniform.</li> <li>● In bad weather, students should bring a change of shoes.</li> <li>● Baseball caps are not permitted in school and will be confiscated.</li> </ul>	

All students inside the building are expected to wear their blazer with their shirt tucked into their trousers/skirt.

**Students coming to school in inappropriate uniform may be asked to go home to change. They will be expected to make up this time and it will also be noted on their school record as an unauthorised absence.**

**If uniform rules are not adhered to formal sanctions will be put in place.**