



22nd October 2024

Dear Parents / carers,

Winter Uniform Update

I hope this letter finds you well. As we approach the colder months, we want to ensure the comfort and well-being of our students while maintaining a professional learning environment. In light of this, we have revised our uniform expectations.

Starting from Monday 11th November 2024, all students will be allowed to wear their coats inside the building. However, it is important to note that these coats must be removed when entering lessons, independent study, assembly, tutor time, and internal exclusion. This is to ensure that our classrooms and communal spaces maintain a focused and orderly atmosphere.

In addition to the allowance for coats to be worn inside the building, it's important to note that all other uniform requirements for both KS4 and KS5 students will remain unchanged. This includes the prohibition of hoodies for all year groups, except for the KS5 UTC crew hoodie. All KS5 students are expected to continue to wear their lanyards in the building at all times.

We understand the need for flexibility during the colder weather, and we appreciate your understanding in this matter. We will keep you informed and update our guidelines when the winter period for allowing coats inside the building no longer applies.

Important Reminders:

- School will finish at **3:00 pm on Thursday 24th October** for the open evening.
- On **Friday 25th October**, school will close earlier at **12:20 pm** for the start of the two-week half-term break.
A **free school meal** will be available for students to collect from the café as they are dismissed at **12:20 pm** on Friday.
- Students are expected to return to school on **Monday 11th November 2024 at 8:40 am**.

If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact us.

Thank you for your cooperation in ensuring a positive and conducive learning environment for all our students.

Best regards,

Ms J. Kibela-Purnell
Assistant Principal