



HEDINGHAM SCHOOL AND SIXTH FORM

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Dear Parent/Guardian

Firstly, I would like to thank you for your continued support in helping us raise standards across the school. Your engagement makes a real difference, and together we hope to continue to foster an environment where students can thrive.

As part of this drive to raise standards within the school, I am writing to remind you of an important update to our school uniform expectations.

From January, all students will be required to wear formal school shoes unless there is a confirmed medical exception. Branded trainers will not be permitted. Uniform checks will be conducted to ensure all students are following our Policies.

This change is one that is already in effect in Years 7 and 8 and is now being extended to the rest of the school. The change is a key step in maintaining the high standards we are striving for, and I am delighted to share that visitors to the school have already commented positively on the improvements to our uniform this year, and in particular the appearance of our Year 7s and 8s.

Our new student planners are routinely used to document any uniform infringements and are now embedded as part of daily routines. They remain an important tool for communication. Please take a moment to check your child's planner regularly, as along with any uniform infringements, you can also note your child's movement record and homework recording. Monitoring information contained within your child's planner will enable us to continue to work together to ensure consistency.

Students have been fully briefed on the expectation around footwear through form tutors, assemblies and SLT form time uniform checks. Parental communication has also systematically come through letters from the Headteacher in July and September. We are seeing more and more students replacing their shoes, purchasing appropriate school shoes in the lead up to the deadline. We are confident that, with your support, this will be a smooth transition.

If there are specific reasons why your son/daughter cannot abide by our footwear policy, please let us know so that we can find an appropriate solution moving forward.

Thank you once again for your cooperation and commitment to maintaining the high standards that reflect the values of our school.

Yours sincerely

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