

10th January 2023

Executive Head - Patrick Earnshaw

Uniform

Dear Parents and Carers

We would like to thank you for your support by ensuring your child/children come into school dressed appropriately, well equipped and ready to learn.

Unfortunately, there has been a drop in the expected standard of uniform from a small number of students. We are having specific issues with breaches of the uniform policy listed below and are taking this opportunity to remind students, parents and carers about our expectations.

- Only one plain smooth ring on one finger.
- Only one pair of small plain stud earrings in the lobes of the ear (one in each ear).
- No other visible piercings; students in breach of this will be told to remove them or wear clear retainers which they have purchased themselves.
- No obvious make-up to be worn; students in breach of this will be asked to remove it.
- Finger-length nails (for health and safety reasons) that are of a clear colour; students in breach of this will be told to cut or remove false nails within 24 hours.
- Hair styles must be appropriate for school and must not reflect any extremes of fashion (e.g. non-natural hair colours, hair tattoos or tram lines).
- Grey tartan skirt worn at the knee and not rolled up or reduced in length after purchasing.
- Black Thornden sweatshirt with school logo.
- Dark coloured outdoor coat of an appropriate style; no denim jackets, leather jackets, clothing with prominent pictures or slogans or hoodies.

Staff have been asked to address these issues during tutor time, in lessons and around the site at break and lunch time. We do not wish to constantly remind our students, but we will ensure that our students are wearing their uniform correctly and within school guidelines. Students who continue to breach the uniform policy will receive an appropriate sanction and parents/carers will be notified. For further information please refer to the school's uniform policy [Thornden School - Uniform](#).

Kind regards



Mrs Nicky Goodridge
Deputy Head (Interim)