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## SCHOOL UNIFORM POLICY

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This policy relates to all sections and activities of the school e.g. the Senior School, the Junior School (including EYFS), Wrap Around Care, Offsite Activities and School run Co-Curricular Clubs.

### **1 RATIONALE**

- 1.1** The appearance of pupils in their uniform is very important to Red House School. The pupils are the School's best ambassadors and should therefore look clean and smart at all times, whether wearing the uniform in or out of School.
- 1.2** Pupils should present a neat appearance at school and during travel to and from school. Cleanliness is important and attention should be paid to hair, hands and nails; not only first thing, but all day.
- 1.3** Clothes, according to the uniform list, should be named and in a good clean condition.
- 1.4** Sports clothes should also be clearly labelled and kept clean.

### **2 SENIOR SCHOOL (YEARS 7-11)**

#### **2.1 Uniform Regulations**

**2.1.1** The following regulations must be observed in the Senior School:

- Shirts must be tucked in.
- Ties must be tied properly.
- Blazers should be worn by all pupils.
- Skirt length should not be higher than above the middle of the knee.
- Trousers (boys and girls) must be formal with a seam, charcoal grey and full length. No skinny fit.
- Grey socks without logos should be worn with trousers.
- Jumpers should not be too baggy; jumper sleeves should not cover the hands and jumpers should not be tucked in.
- If a belt is worn it must be a traditional black leather belt; a non-fashion item.
- Tights should be black or navy blue and should not be worn with holes or ladders. Knee high socks are not permitted.
- Sports clothes and school uniform should not be worn in combination.
- White sports socks should be plain without a logo.

#### **2.2 School shoes**

**2.2.1** The following regulations must be observed in the Senior School:

- Plain, black shoes, without adornments, must be worn.
- Boots and sandals are not permitted.
- Girls below KS4 should wear shoes (heels no higher than 3cms, measured at the back).
- Girls in KS4 should wear shoes (heels no higher than 5cms, measured at the back).
- Stiletto-style heels and plimsolls are not permitted.
- School shoes should be polished and in good condition.

#### **2.3 Hair and Hairstyles**

**2.3.1** We expect pupils at Red House to have clean, neat, natural-coloured hair that has been combed or brushed each morning.

**2.3.2** Red House is a high achieving school with high standards, and we expect hair length to conform to conventional standards and not be ostentatious.

**2.3.3** We do not allow street culture into school. Nor do we allow the braiding of hair, though allowances may be made for cultural background. Hair extensions are not acceptable.

#### **2.3.4** Boys' hair should be:

- Natural hair colour.
- Neat and clean.
- Above the collar and not over the eyes.
- Excessively short hair (e.g. shaved below a blade 2) is not acceptable.
- Long hair should be tied back.
- No outlandish hairstyles or hairstyles which are a fashion statement.
- Whilst in PE/Games lessons, a sports practice or a fixture, long hair should be tied up and kept away from the face (with hair band/grips).
- Boys must be clean-shaven.

#### **2.3.5** Girls' hair should be:

- Natural hair colour.
- Neat and clean.
- Long hair (below the collar) should be tied back (exception Year 11 unless in practical lesson such as Science/Art/DT).
- Hair bands etc. must be plain blue, red, black or white and no wider than 4cms.
- Excessively long or short hair is not permitted.
- Hair extensions and braiding are not allowed.
- Whilst in PE/Games lessons, a sports practice or a fixture, hair should be tied up and kept away from the face (with hair band/grips).

### **2.4 Jewellery**

#### **2.4.1** With the exception of a watch, no jewellery is allowed for pupils in Years 7-10.

- This includes friendship bracelets and sweat bands.
- Earrings are not allowed in school at any time for pupils in Years 7-10. Pupils in Year 11 are permitted to wear one pair of earrings. However, they must be worn in the lobe, be at the same level in the lobe and be a plain stud. Earrings must be removed for PE/Games lessons. If ears are to be pierced, this should be arranged at the beginning of the long summer break to allow enough time for the healing process.
- Piercings are not permitted.

### **2.5 Make Up and Nails**

#### **2.5.1** The following regulations must be observed in the Senior School:

- The wearing of make-up and fake tan is not permitted (Years 10 and 11 may wear discreet make-up).
- Tattoos are not permitted.
- Nail extensions, gel nails and nail varnish are not permitted.

## **3 JUNIOR SCHOOL (EYFS-YEAR 6)**

### **3.1 Uniform Regulations**

#### **3.1.2** The following regulations must be observed in the Junior School:

- Blazers should be worn to and from school (with the exception of Nursery pupils).
- Ties must be worn correctly.
- Shirts should be tucked in.
- Skirt and dress lengths should not be higher than above the middle of the knee.
- Jumper/cardigan sleeves should not cover the hands.
- Shoes should be polished and in good condition.
- Girls may only wear the blue cardigan with their summer dress (up to Year 6) or their winter pinafore (up to Year 2).

### **3.2 School shoes**

#### **3.2.1** The following regulations must be observed in the Junior School:

- Plain, black shoes, without adornments, must be worn.

### **3.3 Hair and Hairstyles**

#### **3.3.1** We expect pupils at Red House to have clean, neat, natural-coloured hair that has been combed or brushed each morning.

#### **3.3.2** Red House is a high achieving school with high standards, and we expect hair length to conform to conventional standards and not be ostentatious.

#### **3.3.3** We do not allow street culture into school. Nor do we allow the braiding of hair, though allowances may be made for cultural background. Hair extensions are not acceptable.

### **3.3.4** Boys' hair should be:

- Natural hair colour.
- Neat and clean.
- Above the collar and not over the eyes.
- Long hair should be tied back.
- Excessively short hair (e.g. shaved below a blade 2) is not acceptable.
- No outlandish hairstyles or hairstyles which are a fashion statement.
- Whilst in PE/Games lessons, a sports practice or a fixture, hair should be tied up and kept away from the face (with hair band/grips).
- Boys must be clean-shaven.

### **3.3.5** Girls' hair should be:

- Natural hair colour.
- Neat and clean.
- Long hair (below the collar) should be tied back.
- Hair bands etc. must be plain blue, red, black or white and no wider than 4cms.
- Excessively long or short hair is not permitted.
- Hair extensions and braiding are not allowed.
- Whilst in PE/Games lessons, a sports practice or a fixture, hair should be tied up and kept away from the face (with hair band/grips).

## **3.4 Jewellery**

### **3.4.1** The following regulations must be observed in the Junior School:

- A watch is permitted from Year 3.
- No jewellery is allowed including friendship bracelets and sweat bands.
- Earrings are not allowed in school at any time

## **3.5 Make Up and Nails**

### **3.5.1** The following regulations must be observed in the Junior School:

- The wearing of make-up is not permitted.
- Nail varnish is not permitted.

## **4 NON-UNIFORM DAYS**

### **4.1** On certain days of the year, pupils are not required to wear uniform. These days are called 'non-uniform days' e.g. Hello Yellow, Children in Need, Christmas Jumper, Comic Relief, etc.

### **4.2** However, the pupils are expected to come into school dressed appropriately for a work environment and pupils should be mindful that, at all times and in all places, their appearance and conduct contribute to the public perception of the School.

### **4.3** Specifically for non-uniform days:

- Skirts or shorts must be no higher than 3 inches above the knees.
- Denim shorts and torn jeans are not permitted.
- Heels should not be over two inches high (including wedges).
- Low-cut tops, vest tops and tops with spaghetti straps are not permitted.
- The midriff should always be covered.
- No rude images or words on clothes, or anything else that could be considered offensive, are permitted.

## **5 SCHOOL UNIFORM INFRINGEMENTS**

### **5.1** For any pupils failing to adhere to appearance and uniform rules, parents may be contacted to remedy the situation. 'Uniform marks', communicated via the Parent Portal, may also be issued by staff. Further sanctions may be applied for repeat infringements.

### **5.2** Parents should check with the Head of the Junior School or the Deputy Head (Head of the Senior School) if they have any doubt about the suitability of items of clothing they intend to buy for pupils to wear in school.

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