

HAYES SCHOOL

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Dear Parents and Carers,

As we approach the end of a busy term, I am writing to you regarding an important matter I know as a school community we will all want to address - the standards of student uniform at Hayes are beginning to slip and it is vital we work together to address this.

Our uniform consists of:

- School shoes not trainers
- A school tie (unless wearing the Hayes revere collar blouse)
- School skirt with Hayes logo, worn at the correct length (on or just above the knee and not rolled)
- School blazer
- School jumper is not a compulsory; however I need to be clear that no other jumpers, quarter-zip tops or hooded jumpers are permitted
- Jewellery other than a watch is not permitted
- False eyelashes, false nails and fake tan are not permitted and must be removed in time for return after the Christmas break

As a school we have high standards and expectations of uniform and it is vital that we start the new term with a return back to the high standards we set back in September. By addressing uniform issues now at the end of term, I hope it gives you the opportunity to address any missing items over the Christmas break. Unless there is an exceptional circumstance we do not expect to receive notes in January to advise of missing or incorrect items of uniform.

I understand, that for some families, the financial burden of maintaining a full school uniform can be challenging, if this is the case please do not hesitate to reach out to us via your child's Form Tutor. Together I am confident that we can ensure out students are dressed appropriately and ready to learn.

Finally, I wanted to remind you of the arrangements for the end and start of term in January 2025 as previously communicated.

The last day of term is Friday 20th December 2024 and students will be dismissed from school at **1.00pm**. Students are expected to be in attendance on this day. The school will be closed from Monday 23rd December until Friday 3rd January 2025.



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The start of the Spring Term is Tuesday 7th January 2025 and there will be a slightly delayed start to the school day with students arriving on site from 10.30am. Students will be expected to be in tutor rooms for registration/tutor time at 10.50am. Please be aware that a standards and uniform check will be carried out each day in support of addressing uniform standards.

My colleagues and I look forward to celebrating the end of term in our Christmas assemblies with students on Friday and to supporting them to have a successful start to 2025.

Kind Regards

Miss Thompson Head of School



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