



# THE ECCLESBOURNE SCHOOL

*'Learning Together For The Future'*

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Dear Parents/Carers,

## **School Uniform Sixth Form: Expectations and Detentions**

I hope this letter finds you well. As we continue our commitment to maintaining high standards, I would like to take this opportunity to remind you of our expectations regarding school uniform and our approach to detentions, which are crucial to promoting a positive and respectful learning environment for all.

### **School Uniform**

At Ecclesbourne, we believe that a consistent and professional appearance is vital in fostering a sense of pride, discipline, and community within our school. We kindly ask all parents and carers to ensure that their child adheres to the uniform policy, which is outlined in full on our website. Key reminders include:

- Navy or Grey trouser or skirt suits (Skirt below mid-thigh)
- Shirt tucked in
- Tie knotted to collar
- Knitted navy, grey or maroon jumper where collar and tie are visible – no sweatshirt material
- Plain black or brown shoes
- Plain grey or black socks or opaque tights (without branded ankle socks)
- Jewellery should be discreet; a small subtle nose stud is permitted but other facial piercings including septum piercing other body piercings are not permitted.
- Make up should not be excessive

We greatly appreciate your support in ensuring that your child arrives to school in full uniform each day, ready to learn. Should any issues arise with acquiring items of uniform, please contact the school directly for assistance.

### **Detentions**

Maintaining a calm, orderly, and respectful atmosphere is essential for the success of our students. To this end, we have a clear and fair behaviour policy in place, part of which includes the use of detentions for students who do not meet our expectations. Detentions are issued for a range of reasons, including but not limited to:

- **Persistent lateness** to lessons or to school.
- **Disruptive behaviour** that impacts the learning of others.
- **Failure to complete homework** or meet coursework deadlines.
- **Incorrect uniform** or refusal to follow instructions regarding appearance.

Detentions will be set either during lunchtime or after school, depending on the nature of the incident. You will be informed of any after-school detentions via a text message or email at least 24 hours in advance. It is important to note that detentions are non-negotiable, and we expect all students to take the opportunity for reflection in order to make positive change regarding their choices and behaviour.

We believe that by working together, we can ensure every student has the best possible chance to succeed academically and personally. Thank you for your ongoing support in upholding our standards and values. If you have any queries regarding these matters, please do not hesitate to contact your child's Head of Year or Head of School.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'J McNamara', written in a cursive style.

James McNamara  
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