

20 September 2023

## **Behaviour for Excellence**

Dear Parent/Carer,

Welcome back to Hodge Hill College and thank you to the vast majority of our parents and carers who ensured the children returned to school in the correct manner; we are very grateful for your continued support for the school rules and appreciate you working so positively with us.

Unfortunately, there are still a minority of pupils who do not follow basic school rules:

- A reminder that pupils should only wear black leather shoes and not any of the following: canvas shoes, boots, trainers, be they fabric, suede or leather; 'Vans' and similar makes which look like leather plimsolls
- Hooded jumpers, gilets, furry non-waterproof jackets or sports jackets, of any sort are also not to be worn on school site. A plain black jumper can be worn underneath your child's blazer to keep them extra warm during the cold periods of weather
- Extreme haircuts; including shaving patterns into hair and shaved eyebrows are not allowed
- All students must follow the school rules with regard to jewellery. This means that nose studs and other facial piercings
  including tongue piercings are not allowed; necklaces and bracelets should not be worn; rings are not allowed.
   Students can wear one stud earring in each ear
- To ensure pupils adhere to e-safety, a complete ban on mobile phones and any other device which can access the internet in school by pupils is in place including smartwatches. If at any point a pupil misuses their phone or refuses to follow the above rules, any member of staff can confiscate the phone

If at any point a pupil has an item of footwear, clothing, jewellery or electronic device confiscated. It will be placed in the School Office to be picked up by a parent/carer at the end of the school day.

As the inclement weather has now set in, I would also like to remind you to ensure your child has an appropriate warm and waterproof winter coat.

If you are experiencing difficulties with any items of uniform, please contact your child's Achievement Coordinator to see how we can support you.

We thank you for your continued support in raising school standards.

Yours faithfully,

R Patel

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