

July 2016

Dear Parent/ carer

Re: School Uniform

At Reading Girls School we take pride in our students. Visitors to the school often comment on their positive behaviour, manners and appearance. This is something we are very keen to uphold, and our uniform policy is well received by parents.

As we start the new school year in September, we are aware that parents will be making uniform purchases over the summer holiday and we would like to spare you the cost of purchasing the wrong garments or shoes.

On our journey to 'outstanding' it will be important that we insist on the highest standards of behaviour, appearance and achievement. As part of this focus, please ensure your daughter arrives to school in accordance of our School Uniform Policy, a copy of which is enclosed.

Although the Uniform Policy has not significantly changed there are key areas I would like to highlight, that are crucial to raising standards. Students must be clear the following improvements need to be made:

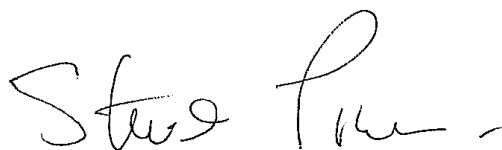
- **Flat, black leather shoes which can be polished (No trainers, trainer shoes or boots permitted) they should be of a design compatible with safety in our practical rooms and other parts of the school premises.**
- **No facial piercings or retainers are allowed**
- **Make up for Key Stage 3 is not permitted.**
- **Make up for Key Stage 4 has to be light and unnoticeable**

If students attend school in incorrect uniform, they will be sent home, expected to make the required changes and return to school immediately. Department of Education guidelines require the school to mark an absence because of incorrect uniform as 'unauthorised'

If you have any questions regarding uniform, please do not hesitate to contact your daughter's Pastoral Leader.

Thank you for your continued support in helping to raise and maintain high standards at Reading Girls School.

Yours faithfully



Mr S Price

Senior Assistant Headteacher

Main changes to Reading Girls' School Uniform from September 2016

Shoes: Black, leather, polishable, flat-heeled



Blouse: reverse collar



Earrings: Small, plain studs - one in each ear



Mobile phones and other electronic devices are not to be used on the school site at any time. If seen or heard they will be confiscated.



Coats must be plain black or navy blue. No hoodies allowed.

