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Dear Parent/Carer

UNIFORM STANDARDS

I hope this letter finds you well as we approach the conclusion of the Summer term. We wish to use this occasion to remind you of our school uniform policy which will be strictly enforced in the upcoming Autumn term. The uniform serves as a symbol of unity and respect at St John Henry Newman Catholic School. We want our pupils to look professional, instilling in them a sense of pride and self-respect that prepares them for their working lives beyond school.

Please find below the details taken from our uniform policy. It is very important that the policy is followed closely as we will not be making exceptions for any pupil beyond what is outlined below.

Pupils' uniform will be inspected daily upon their welcome into school throughout next year.

For Boys:

- A black school blazer with embroidered school badge.
- Approved black school trousers, smart fitting with concealed zips.
- Plain black socks.
- Black traditional polishable school-type shoes with distinct heel and not flat soled.
- Plain white school shirt. Shirts need to have sufficient length to enable them to be easily tucked into trousers.
- Optional burgundy V-necked sweater with embroidered school badge.
- · School tie.
- Outdoor coats should not be worn in classrooms or school buildings.
- Compulsory: A school bag containing all listed equipment.

For Girls:

- A black school blazer with embroidered school badge.
- Approved black school trousers with a discreet zip and pockets (not leggings) or optional black knee-length skirt, not lycra. Please note that if the knee length condition cannot be met, the skirt must not be worn and trousers are the only suitable alternative.
- Plain opaque black tights or socks.
- Black traditional polishable school-type shoes with distinct heel and not flat soled.
- Plain white school shirt. Shirts need to have sufficient length to enable them to be easily tucked into trousers or skirts.

- Optional burgundy V-necked sweater with embroidered school badge.
- School tie.
- Outdoor coats should not be worn in classrooms or school buildings.
- Compulsory: A school bag containing all listed equipment (please see attachment).

PE Kit for Both:

- Black shorts, not cycling shorts.
- · Optional Newman hoodie.
- Newman red gym t-shirt.
- Optional Newman rugby shirt.
- Red football socks.
- Training shoes with non-marking soles.

BE Uniforms Carlisle is our designated uniform supplier. They can be located at 11 West Tower St, Carlisle CA3 8QT or contacted on 01228 810555.

Additionally, we expect the following regulations regarding appearance to be adhered to:

- Jewellery: A wristwatch and a single set of small stud earrings are permissible. Facial, tongue
 or body piercings are not allowed and pupils will be made to remove them upon their arrival at
 school or will be removed from general circulation.
- Make-up: Should not be excessive; false eyelashes, heavy mascara/eyeliner, heavy lipstick, and drawn on eyebrows are unacceptable, and pupils will be made to remove them upon their arrival at school or will be removed from general circulation.
- Hairstyles: Must not be shaven or extreme, and hair can only be of one natural colour.
- Nails: Nail varnish should be clear or pale. Acrylic/gel/false nails and nail art are not permissible, and pupils will be required to remove them.

We are particularly aware that more permanent piercings, eye-lashes and nails are being gifted to pupils as birthday presents or for special occasions during short half terms; if these enhancements cross over into school life we will not make exceptions regardless of cost.

Please note that any failure to comply with these regulations will result in appropriate sanctions being taken, including afterschool detention and isolation **until** the situation is resolved.

Where a uniform issue is fixable – i.e. pupils agree to wear school provided shoes/remove eyelashes or nails/agree to carry school issued bag, we will always aim to resolve the issue without consequence.

We appreciate your continued support in maintaining the standard of St John Henry Newman Catholic School's uniform policy. The uniform is a testament to the spirit of our school, and we believe in fostering a culture of respect and pride for it among our pupils.

Yours sincerely

Mr Shaun Forrester

Senior Assistant Headteacher (Pastoral)