

16<sup>th</sup> July 2018

Re. Uniform 2018-19

Dear Parent / Carer

In our determination to raise standards, it is essential that the school continues to develop the culture of high expectations and instil a consistent sense of pride amongst all learners. Please find a notification on **uniform** attached and note that black jeans (as well as the listed trouser types) and hoodies are **not** acceptable. Black shoes must be worn and trainers are **not** acceptable. We will continue to be vigilant in ensuring our learners wear their uniform correctly to engender a feeling of community and sense of belonging.

Please also note that energy drinks are not allowed. Further action to improve school ethos will be introduced during next academic year, for example, mobile phone and ear phones usage during the school day, and a refinement to after school detentions.

Yours faithfully



R. Thomas

Head of Secondary Campus

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## ABERTILLERY SECONDARY CAMPUS UNIFORM

All learners in Y7-Y11 are to wear our uniform with pride. It is policy that all learners wear school uniform when attending school or when participating in a school-organised event outside normal school hours. This policy is based on the principles that our school uniform:

- Promotes a sense of pride in the school
- Engenders a feeling of community and belonging
- Is practical and smart
- Identifies learners as being a member of our school community
- Is not distracting in class
- Makes learners feel equal to their peers in terms of appearance

The Abertillery Learning Community uniform for learners in Y7-Y11 is:

- \*School tie
- \*Black school blazer incorporating the school logo
- Plain white shirt/blouse worn under the blazer
- Black tailored(not tight) trousers (not jeans, leggings, combat, cropped, or skinny)
- Black skirt (knee length or just above the knee)
- Completely plain black shoes - girls' shoes should have a low heel
- Plain black socks
- A sensible coat

There may be temporary modifications to the uniform during extreme weather conditions (hot or cold) but these will be at the discretion of the Headteacher.

For P.E. lessons, it is compulsory that Abertillery Secondary Campus learners wear:

- \*Abertillery Learning Community P.E. top
- \*Shorts
- \*P.E. socks (optional)
- Leggings
- Swimming costume

**\*These items can only be purchased by ordering at Abertillery Secondary Campus.**

We only allow learners to wear safe and sensible jewellery. This is limited to one pair of small stud earrings and a watch. The exceptions to the rule are small objects of religious significance. Facial and body piercings of any kind (including spikes) are not allowed as they may place the learner at risk of serious injury. Extreme hairstyles are also not permitted.

Any headwear worn for religious reasons should be of a plain black material.

Hats, coats, winter gloves and scarves must not be worn inside the school building.