



# Elthorne Park Sixth Form

# Uniform and Materials Policies

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## Uniform Policy

The Sixth Form is a place of study and learning and staff and students should be able to make this the primary focus of their time here. Therefore students are expected to come wearing smart but casual dress. In addition Sixth Form students act at all times as the leaders and role models for our younger students, some of whom are impressionable and easily influenced. Therefore we expect them to show a lead in terms of how they carry themselves in and around the school.

- No shorts (unless you have a sports lesson that day)
- No short skirts
- No plunging neck lines, exposed undergarments or bare midriffs
- No flesh on show which may cause offence or embarrassment to others
- No hats, scarves or gloves inside
- No slogans on clothing which cause offence or embarrassment to others
- No torn or frayed clothing
- No mobiles phones/ MP3 / 4 players to be worn around the school
- No visible tattoos
- No piercings except small studs in the earlobes are allowed on health and safety grounds

For formal occasions where you are on duty or representing the school, you will be required to wear a suit or similar formal attire.

It is the role of Sixth Form students to maintain the boundaries of acceptable dress and presentation and take seriously their position within the school community. In all cases the judgement of the Headteacher, delegated to the Director of Sixth Form, will be final on matters of acceptable dress and presentation. Sixth Formers should consult with their Director of Sixth Form before wearing something about which they are unclear as to its suitability.

## Drugs and Illegal Substances

Our school has a very clear drugs policy: it is grounds for permanent exclusion. Students do themselves no favours through the taking of drugs and illegal substances. The degree to which any drug may affect you psychologically, physiologically, emotionally, socially and academically will always vary dangerously. The school will take the firmest action to protect our school population and our reputation amongst the local community. As such we retain the right to exclude any student who is discovered or suspected of taking drugs either inside or outside of school.

## **Mobile Phones and Personal Stereos Policy**

No mobile phones or personal stereos are not to be used outside the Sixth Form Centre. Students should not walk round the school site with ear pieces in or showing.

The same standards are expected of our Sixth Form students as of our adult staff: during lessons, Tutor time and Assemblies mobile phones should be switched off and should not be used unless the teacher's permission has been explicitly sought and given.

Sixth Formers have been accorded the privilege of being allowed to bring in their mobile phones to school, but if they are used in contravention of this policy or in an immature or irresponsible manner, then the equipment can be confiscated and the privilege revoked.

## **Drugs, Alcohol and Weapons Policy**

The Sixth Form is a place of study and learning where all students should feel secure and safe. It is a place where students from different backgrounds and cultures mix and develop confident that any issues which arise will be dealt with in a way which respects them as individuals and as members of the Sixth Form community.

Sixth Form students should not smoke on the school site nor in the areas around the school. Students who are found smoking on site or around the school will undertake a period of community service of a type decided by the Head of Sixth Form.

Students should not bring any knives, guns, weapons or pornographic material into school, nor should they bring in classified drugs or drug paraphernalia. Students who are found with any such items on them may be asked to leave the Sixth Form and/or undertake a related training course.