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**Dear Parents and Carers** 

We are looking forward to a positive and purposeful start to the new school year, so felt that a reminder about our expectations before the holiday will help to avoid any problems in September.

With the current cost of living crisis, we know that families do not need the additional cost of purchasing different items, so, as stated in the letter I sent in March, we have no plans to make substantial changes to our uniform policy. After that letter was sent out, we introduced the option of tailored shorts (terms 5 and 6) and we allowed students to wear a clear retainer if they have a nose piercing.

Please note the following points:

- Students are allowed to wear simple stud earrings, one in each earlobe. As mentioned above, they are allowed to wear a clear nose retainer. If you agree to your child having additional facial piercing during the holiday, the timing must be such that they can remove these before the start of term.
- Our uniform policy states "Hairstyles should be tidy and a natural colour". As with piercings, if students dye their hair over the holiday, this needs to be remedied before the start of the new school year.
- Our policy also states "Make-up and nail polish should not be noticeable. Nail extensions are not allowed". It might be helpful for parents to know that young people need to be 18 to get eyelash extensions without parental consent, or over 16 to have these with parental consent and a parent present. Similarly, to have acrylic nails applied under the age of 16, there must be written consent from a parent or carer, who must also accompany them at the appointment.
- Please note the details on the policy about skirts and trousers. Regular fit trousers should be smart, black, full length and of reasonable width. They should not be jeans, chinos, leggings, jeggings or treggings. Skirts should be black and in a simple style with a plain weave material. Skirts must not be short, tight or stretchy.
- Shoes/ankle boots should be black or brown leather or leather-look, suitable for school and be polishable. Trousers should sit over the top of ankle boots. They must not be tucked in. Logos or markings must be the same colour as the shoe. Tights and ankle socks should be plain black.

Please refer to our policy for additional guidance: <u>https://klbschool.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/PDFs/policies/policy-uniform.pdf</u>

Thank you, in advance for your support with helping us to maintain high standards.

Best wishes Hannah Khan Acting Head Teacher

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