



20th October 2023

Dear Parents and Guardians,

I hope this letter finds you well. As we end another successful half-term at The Heys, I would like to take this opportunity to celebrate the high expectations and standards of uniform that our students have been demonstrating. It is truly commendable to see our students taking pride in their appearance and representing our school in such a positive manner.

Our school year has started off on a highly positive note, as exemplified by our recent Rewards Week. During this event, we celebrated and acknowledged students who have consistently exemplified our school values and maintained exceptional attendance. We strongly endorse the practice of recognising and commending our students' achievements through means such as positive phone calls to parents, the allocation of reward points, and the distribution of certificates. Rewards Week serves as an excellent platform for these celebratory initiatives.

I would also like to acknowledge the commitment shown by our Year 11 students who have been attending interventions and displaying a strong dedication to their learning in lessons. Their perseverance and hard work are sure to pay off as they continue to strive for excellence in their studies.

In order to ensure that all parents and students are aware of our uniform expectations, I would like to remind you that detailed information can be found on our school website at https://theheys.school/uniform-expectations

It is important that all students adhere to these guidelines in order to maintain the high standards we have set for ourselves.

Additionally, I would like to inform you that after the half-term break, students will no longer be required to wear lanyards. During the first half term, we want students to have lanyards as it helps them, and staff to recognise the year group that they are in. It allows them to carry a physical copy of their timetable while they are learning it. After 7 weeks in school, we are asking that students be more resilient and should know their timetable therefore they no longer need a lanyard to carry it in. To keep school expectations clear and consistent, these become obsolete and are no longer part of the school uniform.

Finally, I would like to remind students that they should make use of the toilets before school, during break time, at lunchtime, or after school. To minimise the disruption to learning for students, after half term we ask that you tell

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your child to use the toilets during their free time and not in lessons to reduce lost learning time. However, students who have toilet passes for medical reasons will still have access to the facilities. We appreciate your support in reinforcing this message with your child.

Thank you for your continued support and cooperation.

Mr. M. Kerr

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