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Dear Parents and Carers

ST JOHN'S MARLBOROUGH - UNIFORM

I have thoroughly enjoyed my first full week in role as Principal of St John's Marlborough, and I would like to thank the students, staff and parents for extending such a warm welcome. My early impressions are that St John's truly is a wonderful school, with an extremely dedicated staff body passionate about providing a high quality educational experience for every student here. I have found students to be extremely polite and courteous, many curious to find out what they can about me. I have managed to introduce myself in assemblies to as many year groups as possible this week, as well as popping into lessons, where I have been able to outline the high expectations I have of them.

This week has been particularly challenging because of the high temperatures, but students and staff have coped very well. Thankfully the temperatures are forecast to drop to more seasonal norms at the beginning of next week, which will hopefully make life a little more comfortable around school. As a result of this drop in temperature, **students will again be expected to wear full school uniform from Monday, including a tie and blazer.**

High expectations for uniform

I believe it is very important for students to take pride in their appearance, and whilst I accept that some aspects of the school uniform may not be popular with all students, the expectation remains that all students will wear their uniform correctly. Students will regularly be reminded of these high expectations, in particular the following:

1. All shirts should remain tucked in throughout the day.
2. Skirts should be worn to 'just above the knee' in accordance with the school uniform policy. Many girls choose to wear the skirt much shorter than this which is unacceptable. If students are wearing skirts which are not in accordance with the school uniform policy, parents will be contacted, and a replacement skirt may need to be purchased.
3. Students must wear black shoes, not trainers.
4. Students **MUST NOT** wear hoodies. If seen, hoodies will be confiscated.

Please refer to the uniform policy on our website for further clarification or follow the link below:

[Uniform - St John's Marlborough \(excalibur.org.uk\)](http://excalibur.org.uk)

I appreciate your support in this matter and have a lovely weekend.

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Alan Henderson
Principal

