School Uniform

Student in **Years 7-11** are expected to wear correct uniform at all times. We wish to encourage our students to identify not only with each other but also the good name of the school. The observation of our uniform policy gives the school a greater standing in the community and instils a sense of pride in the students. The uniform is practical, widely available and involves the minimum expense for parents.

The uniform is:

School Blazer

Black MTS school skirt (maximum of 2 inches above knee)/Standard cut black trousers, not leggings/jeggings or slim fit trousers, hipsters, or jeans/jean like trousers.

White school shirt (not fitted or blouse style).

School Polo Shirts after Easter.

Year 7-10 Tie (black with stripes in colours of Middleton Crest – green, red, silver). 5 stripes must be seen.

Year 11 Tie (green).

Black short socks or tights.

School jumper or tank top (optional). Hooded jumpers are not permitted to be worn at any time.

Sensible all black shoes **without** coloured laces or trim. No trainers, converse or pump style shoe. Shoes must have a definite shoe-type sole, not a pump or trainer-style sole.

Students are expected to remove their outer coats at all times whilst in the school buildings.

Nail varnish/False nails/False eyelashes are not allowed.

Minimum make Up is allowed in KS4 only (no false eyelashes or nails. Eyeshadow is not considered minimal). No make-up is permitted in year 7-9.

Jewellery – Students may wear an inexpensive watch and one pair of stud earrings in the lower lobes <u>only</u>. Hooped earrings including sleepers, rings and necklaces are not allowed. Students who choose to wear studs in the lower lobes must remove them for PE. No body jewellery/piercing are allowed (nose, tongue, lip, eyebrow, belly button etc.). Any jewellery brought into school is at students' own risk.

Students may **not** have their heads shaved, this includes **lines in the hair or skin-fades** and as such the minimum length allowed is a **number 2**. Hair is not to be

extreme in terms of hair styles or colours of any sort. If parents are unsure about any hairstyle please contact the school prior to colouring, cutting or styling the hair.

SCHOOL UNIFORM POLICY

Our policies are underpinned by the United Nations Convention on the Rights of a Child because we believe everyone should enjoy their rights and understand their responsibilities.

- Article 1: Everyone under 18 years of age has all the rights in the Convention
- Article 2: The Convention applies to everyone, whatever their race, religion, abilities; whatever they think or say, whatever type of family they come from
- Article 3: All organisations concerned with children should work towards what is best for each child

School Uniform is a very important indicator of high standards in the school and protects the school and its students from violent street culture that exists today. Why Have a School uniform?:

- it improves school security by making it easier to identify intruders; (Article 36)
 - it gives pupils a pride in and a sense of belonging to school;
 - it identifies school pupils as belonging to a particular school thereby discouraging truanting;
 - it heightens the reputation of the school in the community;
 - it gives pupils an equality of appearance thereby discouraging competition;
 - it is more hardwearing and thus better value for money than other clothing;
 - it encourages school discipline and a work ethic amongst pupils. (Article 28)

It is also important that all parents, staff and students understand and support the public image of the school, as a good school reputation supports students when they leave us to seek opportunities in further/higher education or in the world of work. (Article 28)

- 1. All students are expected to wear all items of school uniform and to be correctly dressed, in school, on the way to and from school and at lunchtime.
- 2. Parents will be informed prior to entry in year 7 of the requirements for school uniform.
- 3. All parents will be given one terms notice of any impending changes to school uniform.
- 4. Students may not wear items of clothing that are not part of the official school uniform (apart from outer coat) without the permission of either the Head teacher or his/her delegated representative.

5. The school reserves the right to isolate any students who choose not to comply with the school uniform policy.

A further note to Parents:

It is important that you realise that the school is very disciplined to ensure that students achieve. We expect high standards from all who are involved in its working. (Article 28). You must expect a response from us if your child does not come to school with the necessary equipment or wears clothes that are not part of the official school uniform e.g. caps, neck-warmers, denim jackets, hooded jumpers, trainers or anything that we consider to be "street culture".

We do not expect your child to be out of school at any time, including lunchtime - unless you have previously contacted school and the Head teacher has approved it.

Equipment

This is a large school and students will have lessons in many different rooms. It is important that students look after their equipment and uniform and put their names on everything. A suitable **bag** to carry equipment is essential.

Handbags and small "man" bags are not allowed. A suitable bag must be big enough to contain all books (A4 size) and equipment and is not a fashion item. Usually students prefer to have a separate drawstring bag for PE.

We will ask students to replace bags if we consider them unsuitable so please avoid any fashion pressure.

To be properly equipped for lessons your child will need the following: -

Pencil Case including

Pens, pencils, ruler, rubber

Purple Pen -Year 7 will be given one of these

Reading book in the bag

A scientific electronic calculator

Coloured pencils

Sharpener

Maths equipment (protractor and compass)

PE kit on the appropriate days

Food Technology ingredients (when needed)

PE Uniform

Girls/boys outdoor kit

Black / Green 1/4 zip long sleeve top with crest

Black football socks

Black shorts / Plain black leggings Football boots or trainers

Black Tracksuit Pants – Outdoor lessons only

Girls/boys indoor kit

Black / Green polo shirt with crest

Black shorts / Plain black leggings

Black football socks Football boots or trainers

NO VANS or **CONVERSE** are to be worn for PE lessons

Football Boots are optional however they are beneficial for activities that take place on the school field such as cross country, rounders and athletics.

ALL watches and jewellery must be removed before PE lesson. Money and valuables must be put securely away in bags or pockets. The school will not be responsible for missing items or money

PLEASE PUT STUDENT'S NAME ON ALL ITEMS OF UNIFORM AND KIT.

The main supplier of our school uniform is:

Broadbent Fashions, 656 Long Street, Middleton

Telephone: 0161 643 5193