



October 2021

Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope you have had a restful half term break.

Mr Baldwin, our Head of School, is absent at the moment therefore, I am managing the day to day running of the school.

Working together with every member of staff, we are making changes to ensure uniform, punctuality and the behaviour of a small number of students is improved in order to support educational outcomes.

We very much appreciate the support of parents and carers in helping us to continue to raise standards.

Punctuality

Schools starts at **8.45am prompt**. Students **must** be in their tutor room at that time.

From Monday 1st November, any late comers will only be allowed access through the main Bletchley school gate, where they will be picked up by senior staff. We do appreciate that on occasion lateness cannot be helped, for example, the school bus may be late and for one off genuine reasons, there will be no sanctions. However, we do expect that all our students are in school, on time, with the correct uniform and equipment.

From Monday 1st November, students will only be able to enter the school site from two access points: next to the Bletchley ball court and through the gates adjacent to the swimming pool. The field gate at Warren Hills will be open and students will be expected to walk on the footpath at the side of the field to make their way to the two access points named above.

Uniform

We expect all of our students in key stages 3 and 4 to wear uniform and those in the Sixth Form to wear business dress.

The new Castle Rock School uniform consists of: (Pictures of the uniform are on the website)

- Grey trousers (available from Liss Sport)
- Grey, smart, tailored short.
- Tartan or grey pleated skirt (available from Liss Sport)
- A school tie (available from Liss Sport)
- A green school blazer (available from Liss Sport)
- A white shirt
- Plus, our PE uniform, which students will need to bring on the days when they have PE or Dance to change into for those lessons.
- School shoes must be **plain black footwear**.

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- When weather demands, students are permitted to wear a **plain black or grey V-neck jumper or cardigan** underneath their blazer.

Students in Year 9, 10 and 11, whose old Castle Rock High School uniform still fits, are permitted to continue wearing this. This uniform must consist of:

- Black trousers or skirt (of reasonable length)
- A Castle Rock High School black blazer
- A school tie
- Plus, the Castle Rock High School PE uniform, which students will need to bring on the days when they have PE or Dance to change into for those lessons.
- School shoes must be **plain black footwear**.

For those students in Year 9, 10 and 11 who have outgrown their Castle Rock High School uniform, the new Castle Rock School uniform (green blazer and grey trousers/skirt) must be purchased.

School uniform can be ordered from <https://www.lisssport.co.uk/castlerockhighschool>

There is no deviation from this. Hoodies are not part of the uniform so are not permitted.

We have been slightly more lenient due to Covid restrictions and whilst we appreciate the difficulties that may have been faced by parents and carers, we now expect all of our students to be wearing their uniform. Thank you to the many parents and carers who ensure their child is in uniform. The partnership between home and school is vital in ensuring consistency in expectations for our young people.

If you are struggling with any item of uniform, please contact your child's form tutor.

Mobile phones

Many of our students have mobile phones, should they choose to bring them into school, they need to ensure that they are following the policy agreed by Trustees. This means they should be **'off and away during the day'**. Any student using their phone, at any time of the day, who will not put it away when instructed will find it confiscated until the end of the day.

Tutor Time

On Monday we are making some changes to tutor time to further drive our standards. Students have been informed about these changes in assemblies today.

As responsible parents and carers I am sure that you will support us in ensuring that these changes are adhered to.

Yours faithfully



Mrs J Patrick
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