



23rd May 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

Uniform and Mobile phone expectations

We hope this letter finds you and your family in good health and high spirits. As we approach the upcoming half-term break, we would like to take this opportunity to kindly remind you of our school's uniform policy for KS4 and KS5 students, which has been outlined on our school's website.

Effective from Monday 05 June 2023, we are reinforcing the need for all students to arrive at school wearing the correct uniform, including a suitable bag that can safely accommodate an A4 folder, as well as their lanyard photo ID.

We would like to emphasise the significance of students in the Sixth Form wearing their lanyards at all times while on the school premises. This measure is primarily in place to ensure the safety of our students and facilitate easy identification of individuals by our staff. As Sixth Form students do not wear the same uniform as the lower school, they can often blend in with members of staff and visitors to the school, making it vital for clear identification of all individuals present on our campus.

Regrettably, there have been instances where Sixth Form students have neglected to consistently wear their lanyards despite repeated requests from staff. Therefore, starting from 05 June 2023, students without a lanyard will face one of the following consequences:

- They will be required to return home to retrieve their lanyard.
- They will be issued a replacement card. *Please note that replacement cards for students who have lost or misplaced multiple cards will incur a replacement cost.*

Mulberry UTC strives to create a professional learning environment that prepares the next generation of students for the workplace. Adhering to our dress code expectations is a crucial aspect of this preparation. It is imperative that your child complies with the dress code requirements at Mulberry UTC, as failure to do so may result in your child being sent home to change. With this in mind, we kindly request your support in ensuring that your child is dressed appropriately for school.

Furthermore, we would like to remind you that coats are not to be worn once on the school premises. This policy is applicable at all times, but particularly relevant during warmer months. Your assistance in ensuring that your child adheres to this is greatly appreciated. In the spirit of promoting professionalism in the workplace, we would like to reiterate that the use of mobile phones, headphones and earpods is strictly prohibited unless permission has been granted by adult members of staff for learning purposes. Students are required to turn off their phones and remove headphones/earpods and store them in their bags while on campus. Any student found with a mobile phone, headphones, earpods or wearing a coat on site will have the item confiscated and can collect it from the reception at the end of the school day.

Year 12 adjustments

In the spirit of treating our Year 12 students like young adults, they will be awarded zones where the use of mobile devices and headphones will be permitted. Outside of these zones, the MUTC rules regarding the use of mobile phones and headphones/earpods will apply and must be adhered to. All Year 12 students will be made aware of the zones through regular communication within school this week.

This arrangement applies to Year 12 students only.

We firmly believe that our school uniform policy plays a crucial role in fostering a sense of unity and belonging among our students. It is also instrumental in providing a safe and secure learning environment for all. We extend our sincere gratitude for your ongoing support in reinforcing this policy and ensuring that your child arrives at school in the correct uniform. For your convenience, we have attached the online uniform policy at the end of this letter.

Should you have any queries or concerns regarding the uniform policy or any other matter, please do not hesitate to contact us. We wish you and your family a restful and enjoyable half-term break and eagerly look forward to welcoming your child back to school on Monday 05 June 2023.

Yours faithfully,



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