

Is your child Woodrush Ready?

The achievements that our students accomplish at Woodrush are shaped through a culture of high aspirations driven by exceptionally high standards in all we do. To help create and maintain a positive culture at Woodrush we encourage all our students to be **'Woodrush Ready'** for all aspects of school life:

- **Be prepared** by being well equipped and wearing uniform smartly and with pride, arriving to school and lessons on time.
- **Be productive** by taking pride in their work and to challenge themselves in their lessons and using learning time effectively.
- **Be respectful** to both staff and students by having a strong work ethic, exemplary behaviour and a love of learning which creates a positive climate where all students can flourish.
- **Be Reflective** by always being responsive to feedback and achieving excellence.

Please find some key reminders to help support your child to be **Woodrush Ready** when they return to us in September.

Be Prepared

We encourage all our students to **'Be Prepared'** and are extremely proud of how our students wear their school uniform smartly and arrive to school fully equipped and ready to learn.

Attendance and Punctuality

We would like to take this opportunity to ensure your child arrives to school on time at 8.25am (8.45am on Wednesdays).

We are having a drive on punctuality after half term. If your child arrives late to school, we will issue a C2 lunchtime detention. Your child will still have an opportunity to have their lunch and go to the toilet during this time. If your child is late for a reason that is not their fault, please telephone the school office to inform us of the reason.

Equipment

As part of our '**Woodrush Ready**', we expect every student to **be prepared** and attend school every day with the correct equipment. This is even more critical now that sharing of equipment between students or teachers will not be allowed. If a student arrives to school without the correct equipment, they may be directed to purchase equipment from student services. It is therefore essential that parents ensure students attend school in September with **ALL** of the following items:

- School bag (large enough to carry A4 folder and all equipment)
- Pens
- Pencils
- Ruler
- Rubber
- Pencil sharpener
- Glue stick
- Calculator
- Water bottle

For students who are eligible for additional pupil premium funding and need further financial assistance please get in contact with your child's head of year.

School stationary shop

As you are aware, we are excited to that our school stationary shop is now open. This give students the opportunity to purchase any stationary items that they may be missing during a school day.

The stationary shop is linked to ParentPay and the school canteen and the cost will deducted from the same account. We hope that this has helped students with their organisational skills.

School uniform

School uniform is not only an integral part of school identity, but it also supports the safeguarding of our students on their way to and from school. Research has also shown that maintaining high standards of school uniform has a positive impact on academic performance.

In light of this, we would like to remind you that details of our uniform requirements can be found on the school website under the [Parents' section](#).

Students are reminded of the following key points regarding uniform:

PERSONAL BELONGINGS - <i>should be marked clearly with student's name</i>	
Clothing	Expectation
BLAZERS	Students must always wear a blazer inside the classroom and around school, unless they have been given permission by a member of staff to remove their blazer.
JUMPERS	The school jumper must be black and must be a V-neck. Tracksuit tops, Hoodies and sweatshirts are not allowed in school.
SCHOOL TIES	All students in Year 7 to 10 must wear a school tie. This will have the colour of the house stripe on.
COATS	Coats must be removed inside the classroom. Coats must be plain and dark in colour e.g. Black/navy. No denim jackets, leather or fur jackets allowed.
SCHOOL SKIRTS	Any student wishing to wear a skirt must wear a plain black 'A line skirt' please click here for correct skirt
SCHOOL TROUSERS	Students may also wear black loose-fitting trousers of suit material (i.e. not stretch/lycra/jean material). Any visible appendages (i.e. gold zips) or logos on trousers are not allowed. No leggings allowed.
MAKE-UP	In Key Stages 4 and 5 (Years 10, 11, 12 and 13) this should be appropriate to a professional working environment. Make-up should not be worn in Key Stage 3 (Years 7 and 8). Students should not wear any coloured nail polish or any form of nail extensions e.g. Acrylics – these will be asked to be removed.
JEWELLERY	One plain stud in each ear is permitted, no hoops/long earrings are allowed for health and safety reasons. No other visible body piercing is allowed. No other jewellery is allowed for safety and security reasons.
HAIRSTYLES	Hair should be appropriate to a professional working environment e.g. no extreme styles or colours and no brightly coloured braiding or hairbands/clips.
SHOES	Sensible flat shoes (not canvas/deck shoes or boots) are required for students, bearing in mind the staircases, carpeted areas and the need to negotiate outdoor pathways in inclement weather. Students wearing open-toed or high-heeled shoes will not be able to work in laboratories or technology rooms. Shoes will be plain, black and polishable.

Many thanks for your on-going support with all matters relating to our school uniform and equipment.

