



ST ALBAN'S RC HIGH SCHOOL
The Park, Pontypool, Torfaen, NP4 6XG

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Dear Parent/ Guardian,

RE: School Uniform - Three Strikes system

At St Alban's RC High School we place an emphasis on pride in our community and achieving excellence in every dimension of the life and work of our school. A visible indication of this is in the standard of students' uniform.

We are very grateful of your support in helping to secure our vision for consistency in maintaining the highest possible standards in this regard. We have been very pleased with a significant number of comments from visitors who have commented on how smart our students look when travelling to and from school. To further emphasise our ambition will introduce a "Three Strike" escalating sanction system for any student who repeatedly contravenes the school's expectations.

Full details of our school uniform expectations can be found on our website but I should like to draw your attention to a few reminders;

Shoes/Boots:	Only plain, black leather or leather effect shoes of a standard and traditional style are permitted. Trainers (regardless of colour) and/or canvas shoes or boots including ankle boots of any description are NOT acceptable. Students wearing unsuitable footwear may be removed from lessons
Clothing	Black blazer with school badge <u>must be worn at all times.</u> White school shirt/blouse with school tie. V-neck black pullover <i>optional</i> for under blazer. Smart plain black skirt of knee length – <u>to the knee, no split or tiered skirts.</u> Not to be rolled up. No tube skirt to be worn. Smart plain black trousers, traditional school style. NOT skinny trousers/leggings/jeans regardless of colour and must be to the ankles.
Overcoats	A plain style in a single dark colour free of markings. NOT fashion jackets. Hooded sweatshirts/tops should not be worn in school.
Hair	No extreme hairstyles or colours are permitted. Neither hair nor eyebrows should be cut or shaved in 'tramlines' or patterns.
Nails/ Jewellery	It is not permitted for students to wear nail varnish or to have false nails. If nails are too long to work safely in a busy school environment, we will ask for them to be trimmed. The only permitted items of jewellery are a wrist watch, a single pair of small stud earrings (no other piercings allowed) and a plain necklace, for example a chain with a cross, which must be kept tucked inside the shirt.
Piercings	No facial piercings are allowed under any circumstances. Please note that only one stud earring in each ear is permitted. If your son/daughter is considering having a piercing, please do discuss the implications and timing; for example, if he/she were to have a piercing at the beginning of the summer holidays, he/she should be able to safely remove the stud for the whole school day when we return.

Yours sincerely,

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Examples of Unacceptable Shoes and Uniform

