

School Rules

To ensure we provide a secure and positive learning environment it is necessary to have rules. These are based on respect for each other and for the safety of boys and their possessions, and to promote the smooth running of the School.

YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE REPUTATION OF THE SCHOOL.

1. Conduct:

- The basis of sound conduct and good manners is consideration for others.
- Behaviour and language will be polite both in and out of school.
- The instructions of Prefects, Community Team Leaders and other senior boys with special responsibilities will be obeyed.
- Members of staff will be addressed as "Sir" or "Ma'am".

2. Uniform:

- School uniform will be worn properly at all times, including school matches, unless the member of staff in charge has agreed otherwise. Shoes should be polished, black leather with black laces. No boys may wear trainers in school or journeying to and from school. Outdoor coats should not be worn in school
- Necklaces, ear-studs, body piercing and other ornaments are not to be worn in school.
- Boys will be clean shaven.
- Hair will be cut in a conventional manner and must be neat and tidy. It should not be shorter than a grade 2, below the collar or cover the face. Boys are not allowed to have shapes or patterns shaved into their hair. Any extremes of fashion will be dealt with by a member of the Senior Leadership Team and the Headmaster will be the final arbiter of acceptability. Parents will be informed if a style is unacceptable and a pupil may face internal exclusion until the situation is rectified.
- No hoodies must be worn.

3. Private Property:

- All clothing and property will be clearly marked with the owner's name.
- Valuable items, e.g. iPods, MP3 players, mobile phones, electronic games and pagers will not be brought to school, except in the Sixth Form where use is restricted to the Gardham Room.

4. Use of Premises:

- Breakfasts are served in the dining hall from 0815. Boys should be in their tutor room by 0850.
- Running is not allowed in the buildings, and boys should keep to the left on paths, corridors and staircases. No boy will climb on to roofs, or over the boundary fences.
- Boys below the Sixth Form are not allowed off the premises at lunchtime or break. Year 12 students are permitted to leave the school at lunchtime but MUST sign out and in again at the Reception. Year 13 students may leave the premises during study periods for a period of up to forty minutes (except the last period of the day) and MUST sign out and in again at the Reception.
- The Lower School Playground and adjacent area behind the gym is for lower school pupils' recreation only.

- Eating should be confined to the dining hall or outside in the designated areas. Cooked food must not be taken from the dining hall. Packed lunches will be eaten in the dining hall, or in the designated areas in good weather.
- The chewing of gum is not permitted.
- Litter will be placed in the receptacles provided.

5. Specific Prohibitions:

- Smoking or the consumption of alcohol is not permitted; no boy may bring cigarettes, lighters, alcohol or any illegal substances to School.
- Gambling is forbidden. Boys may not barter or have money transactions with each other.
- No boy may bring to school any dangerous item such as a laser pointer, firework, firearm, or knife (including replicas).
- No boy may be in possession of a key to any room in the School.

6. Vehicles and Road Safety:

- The car park is out-of-bounds except to those with specific permission.
- The underpass or pedestrian crossing will be used to cross the dual carriageway outside the School.

7. Accidents:

- Any accident to a pupil must be reported immediately to the Student Welfare Officer, Mrs. Roberts.
- Any breakage or damage must be reported to the caretakers via reception or the LTA.

8. Visitors:

- All visitors to the school, including ex-pupils, must report to reception on their arrival and sign in the book.
- They should read the rules concerning health and safety, safeguarding and evacuation of the school
- They should wear a visitor's badge, handing it back when signing out on departure.