



Aylestone School

'Non-Uniform' Guidance

On occasions directed by the school, students are allowed to wear clothes other than the school uniform. This may include Wear Casual Clothes Days (WCCD) where money is raised alongside raising the awareness of charities, or when on school trips.

Whilst this allows students the opportunity to express themselves as individuals, it must be done so in an appropriate way. It is particularly important that any student dress on these occasions recognises that the school is still a working environment, and furthermore, that the student dress, does not cause embarrassment to staff, students and other members of the school community.

As with any school day, every student should still bring a school bag, with all the equipment they will need for that day.

When not in school uniform, the following guidelines are to be adhered to:

- Shorts, skirts and dresses, if worn, should be of at least mid-thigh length;
- Normal rules regarding piercings apply. No piercings, other than a maximum of one in each ear lobe. The only other jewellery item allowed is a watch.
- Any caps/hats are allowed but must be taken off in the classroom

The following items are prohibited:

- See-through clothing, for example see-through blouses;
- Strapless or 'string-strapped' tops;
- Clothing which is revealing; for example, exposing bare midriffs;
- Clothing which reveals underwear (leggings in particular);
- Flip-flops or backless footwear, due to health and safety issues;
- Clothing with offensive or inappropriate logos.

It is recognised that this dress code will not cover all issues that may arise. Students may seek to wear, for example, items which have not been covered by the above guidelines, but which are against the tenor of the dress code. In such a case, or given any issue of dispute, the final arbiter is the Headteacher or other senior member of staff.

All students are expected to arrive at school wearing clothing in accordance with this dress code. Should they not do so, then they will be sent home to change by the Headteacher or other senior member of staff. Any student unable to go home to do this will work in isolation for the day.

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