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## School Uniform Policy

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope this letter finds you well and you all enjoyed the Easter break.

At Blacon High School, we are committed not only to academic success but also to supporting the personal development of every student. A key part of this development is helping young people understand the importance of following policies and expectations during their time in high school.

Adhering to school rules is about more than day-to-day organisation—it plays a vital role in preparing students for life beyond education. Whether in future employment, when travelling to other countries, or simply navigating public spaces, an understanding of and respect for rules and expectations is essential. These habits, when developed early, help young people grow into responsible, adaptable, and respectful adults.

We also want to take a moment to address a growing concern around student wellbeing, particularly in relation to self-image and mental health. Increasingly, we are seeing young girls feeling that they are not 'complete' or 'attractive' without certain cosmetic enhancements, such as false eyelashes. This raises important questions about the pressures they may be experiencing and the messages they are receiving about beauty and self-worth.

As a school, we firmly believe that we should be encouraging our students to feel confident and comfortable in their own skin. High school should be a time where young people develop a strong sense of identity, self-respect, and inner confidence—qualities that will serve them far more than any external appearance trend.

Our policies, including those related to uniform and presentation, are designed with these principles in mind. They are not intended to limit individuality, but rather to create an environment where all students can feel equal, focused, and valued for who they are, rather than how they look.

We aim to keep our expectations for uniform as transparent as possible. Our school website is kept up to date with this information, which can be found at this link: [Uniform and Mobile Phones | Blacon High School](#). In addition, our school's uniform policy can also be found in full on our website here: [Uniform Policy | Blacon High School](#).

We recognise that this is an area where partnership between school and home is essential. Your support in reinforcing these values—encouraging confidence, promoting positive self-image, and helping your child understand the importance of following expectations—makes a significant difference.

By working together, in partnership, we can ensure that our young people, particularly our girls, grow up with the confidence to be themselves, the resilience to navigate social pressures, and the understanding that rules and boundaries are a normal and important part of life.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,



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