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Dear Parents/Carers

RE: Closure of the Boot Room

After careful consideration, we have decided that we shall no longer offer our 'Boot Room' facilities, where we kept shoes, ties, trousers and skirts for students who, for a variety of reasons, failed to comply with the uniform expectations. Whilst the vast majority of our students comply with the uniform rules and come fully equipped every day, unfortunately some students do not and have misused this facility. As a result, students with a real need often could not be catered for. We shall continue to support students with a genuine need on an individual basis.

From **Monday 3 February**, students who arrive at the Academy failing to comply with uniform expectations will not be allowed into lessons until the issue has been resolved. This includes leggings, jean style trousers and short skirts and all other compulsory uniform as detailed on page 2 of student planners. A member of the Pastoral team will contact home and request to allow the student to return home to collect the missing item, or to ask you to bring it in for them. There has also been a noticeable rise in the number of students with multiple piercings. Students are allowed a single discreet ear lobe stud but for health and safety reasons, they should not have multiple ear piercings, hoop style earrings, those in the upper ear, ear cartilage, nose or tongue. Students who refuse to remove, or cannot remove, a piercing will either be sent home or placed in Internal Exclusion until such a time as it is removed.

If you would like any clarification on the above, please contact to your child's Head of Year or Deputy Head of Year in the first instance. May I also take this opportunity to thank you for your continued support for the majority of our students who comply with the uniform rules and come fully equipped every day.

Yours faithfully

Mr D Scallan
Deputy Principal