



Dear Parents and Carers,

At the start of this new half term, I would like to take a moment to celebrate the many achievements of our Sixth Form students. Their maturity, conduct and willingness to serve as ambassadors for Thomas Becket Catholic School have been clearly demonstrated at recent school events, where they represented our community with confidence and pride.



We are also delighted to congratulate a number of our Mathematics students who achieved awards in the Senior Maths Challenge—an impressive accomplishment that reflects their dedication and hard work.

In addition, our Sixth Form students have been engaging thoughtfully in their *Faith in Action* lessons. Through a range of meaningful initiatives and service projects, they have shown compassion, leadership and a commitment to making a positive contribution to the school community.

As we begin the new term, it is also an important opportunity to revisit our expectations regarding the Sixth Form dress code. While the vast majority of our students consistently meet these expectations, a small number are not adhering to the standards required, and this needs to be addressed.

As senior members of our school community, Sixth Form students are role models. Although they do not wear a uniform, they are expected to present themselves in a professional manner and to take pride in their appearance.

Below is a reminder of the dress code expectations:

<u>Non-negotiables</u>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The VI Form student lanyard needs to be worn at all times (safeguarding).• Smart shoes or boots	
 Options for business attire	
Full suit, short/long sleeved collared shirt or blouse and tie.	Trainers (including black), canvas shoes (e.g., Converse/Vans) or flip-flops/sliders/Crocs Denim



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Smart trousers (including chinos), short/long sleeved collared shirt or blouse and tie.	Leggings (unless worn under a dress)
Smart trousers (including chinos), smart roll-neck jumper.	Jogging/tracksuit bottoms
Smart trousers (including chinos), smart jumper, with a shirt and tie.	Leather, faux leather, PVC
Smart trousers with a smart polo shirt.	See-through materials
Skirts and dresses of a moderate length- no shorter than just above the knee) with a collared shirt or blouse.	Low cut, crop, strapless or vest tops
Skirts and dresses (of a moderate length- no shorter than just above the knee) with a smart roll-neck.	Sweatshirts or hoodies
Jewellery – earrings, nose piercing, necklace, bracelet, rings (unless participating in an activity where it is deemed a health and safety concern).	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• No extreme hairstyles or colours• No hats/caps/durags/wave caps	

Students who do not follow the dress code will be asked to remedy the issue immediately. If this is not possible, they will be required to return home to change before re-entering the school site. Thank you for your continued support in upholding the high standards of our Sixth Form. Working together, we can ensure that all students set a positive example and contribute to the strong, professional learning environment.

Yours sincerely,

Miss V Donovan
Head of Sixth Form



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