

28 March 2024



**BRAMHALL**  
HIGH SCHOOL

Dear Parents and Carers

Today (28<sup>th</sup> March) sees the final day of what has been a very full and busy Spring Term. We of course start the summer term on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April at 8.30am and it will be Week A.

During the Easter Break additional study support sessions are being offered to our Year 11 students in a range of subject areas. These sessions are not a replacement for students own revision but aim to support their Easter study plans. The schedule has been sent out by Mr Wraith via parental email addresses and through a Class Chart announcement.

When we return after Easter, we would be very grateful for your support in reinforcing our expectations around uniform. Of course, during the warmer summer months we will adapt our uniform to suit the temperature. In the meantime, however, we want every one of our students to look smart and think smart and therefore, I ask that any issues with uniform be rectified over the holidays ready for the new Summer term.

When we return in April all **uniform issues will be addressed with the student before they are permitted entry into the main school.** This may include lending items to students such as ties, bags or shoes to ensure that every single student enters the main school with the correct uniform items.

Ongoing breaches of our uniform policy will be dealt with using the school Behaviour Policy including the use of detentions and isolation.

**Required uniform for all students:**

Item	Notes
<b>Blazer</b>	Black with pre-embroidered School badge. Worn at all times in, around and to/from School.
<b>Shirt</b>	Plain white shirt. (Long or short sleeved shirt may be worn).
<b>School Tie</b>	
<b>Skirt</b>	Black plain pleated skirt and flared. All skirts should be a traditional school skirt purchased to allow for growth. Length 20 inches minimum. Rolling up of skirts is not permitted. Opaque black tights must be worn with skirts.
<b>Trousers</b>	Must be Black Plain and tailored with a waist band.
<b>Socks</b>	Only black socks to be worn with trousers.
<b>Shoes</b>	Black, sturdy and low heeled. Please note that fabric shoes, trainers or boots are not permitted.
<b>School Bag</b>	The bag must be a rucksack and be able to fit A4 books and files inside. Handbags are not permitted



**Optional uniform for all students:**

Item	Notes
Jumper	Plain black 'V' necked jumper or plain black sleeveless 'V' necked jumper.
Coats	<b>Outdoor Coat:</b> Worn in cold weather over school blazer. This garment should be regarded as the overcoat. Coats should be removed on entry to the building.

**Please note:**

Hooded sweatshirts are not permitted in school and will be confiscated if seen.  
No hooded sweatshirt or any other form of sports top to be used as an outdoor coat.

**Appearance**

As with uniform items, **appearance issues will be addressed before the students are permitted to enter the main school.** Please be aware, this may necessitate a request from staff to students to remove jewellery items or piercings. Ongoing breaches of our uniform policy will be dealt with using the school Behaviour Policy including the use of detentions and Isolation.

Item	Notes
Make-Up	Discreet make-up is permitted
Nails	False nails and nail varnish must not be worn. *
Jewellery	A single pair of small stud earrings are permitted. No further jewellery is allowed. **
Watches	A wristwatch can be worn but must be removed to take part in Physical Education lessons. No responsibility is accepted for the loss of any confiscated items.
Shoes	Black, sturdy and low heeled. Please note that fabric shoes, trainers or boots are not permitted.
Hair	Extremes of hair style and hair colouring are not acceptable and will be dealt with on a case by case basis. Long hair must be tied up for practical lessons.
Body Piercing	Nose studs and other forms of body piercing are not acceptable. ** We ask for parental support in ensuring that students do not have any new piercings until they have completed Year 11.
<p>*The School reserves the right to request removal.</p> <p>** The School reserves the right to request removal and to confiscate if necessary.</p>	



**Acrylic / Nails**

It has been noted that a small number of students are currently wearing acrylic / false nails, potentially in preparation for festive occasions during the holidays. Please could I ask that arrangements are made for these to be removed before students return to school on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April.

Long nail extensions pose a risk when a student is engaged in physical activity or taking part in specific subjects within the curriculum. If one is ripped off, it can also cause painful rips and cuts to the skin of the wearer.

**RAAC Update**

Over this term work within the school has continued to address the areas currently closed due to the presence of RAAC. We continue to work closely with the LEA and the DFE on measures which will slowly see students returning to classrooms in some of the RAAC affected areas. Once further information on this is available I will communicate it to the school community.

We of course remain on the DFE's School Rebuilding & Refurbishment list. As you would expect a great deal of planning and hence paperwork is having to be completed. Even though this will continue into the summer term, I am hopeful that more details will become apparent that I can readily share with you.

I am pleased to announce that our new modular DT block is on course to be open on our first day back in April. This sees the availability of four specialist rooms, a new IT suite alongside another set of student toilets. Many of you in the local community will have seen the units arriving into school and I must thank everyone for their patience and understanding on this matter. I must also commend students over their behaviour whilst the units were being manipulated into position.

Finally, may I take this opportunity to wish all the school community a very restful and enjoyable Easter break.

Yours faithfully

**Paul Williams**  
Headteacher