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Dear Parents and Carers,
As we prepare for the new academic year 2026–2027, I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your support over the past year and to clearly communicate our expectations, ahead of September, regarding attendance, punctuality, uniform and appearance.

At Bryngwyn, our motto, **"Giving Our Best to Be Our Best,"** sits at the heart of everything we do. When pupils attend regularly, arrive punctually, take pride in their appearance and fully embrace our expectations, they create the conditions needed to achieve their very best. By working together as a school community, we can ensure that every learner is able to maximise their progress and thrive both academically and personally.

Attendance – Every Day Matters

Excellent attendance is one of the most significant factors influencing a pupil's success in school. Pupils who attend regularly are better placed to make strong academic progress, build positive relationships and fully engage in the opportunities available to them.
We are grateful for the efforts that families make to support attendance throughout the year which has had a real and positive impact for some learners. We would, therefore, ask all parents and carers to conitnue to support us in ensuring that pupils attend school every day unless they are genuinely unwell or there are exceptional circumstances. Every lesson counts and every day of learning matters.

Punctuality – Ready to Learn

Punctuality is equally important. Pupils should arrive at school on time each day and be ready to learn from the very start of lessons. Late arrival results in lost learning time and can disrupt the education of others. We appreciate the support that parents and carers provide in helping pupils establish positive routines and we ask for your continued support in developing positive habits around punctuality that helps pupils build the self-discipline and responsibility that will support them throughout their lives.

Uniform Expectations

Our uniform expectations are clearly outlined on the school website and are deliberately specific to avoid confusion. The school expects all pupils to attend in full and correct uniform every day. Please ensure that your child adheres to the following requirements:

- Years 7, 8 and 9: White Bryngwyn polo shirt with school badge.
- Years 10 and 11: Maroon Bryngwyn polo shirt with school badge.
- All pupils: Black Bryngwyn sweatshirt with school badge.
- Trousers: **Black and tailored.** Leggings, jeggings, lycra trousers, black jeans and denim trousers are **not** permitted.
- Skirts: Black and knee length.
- Shoes or trainers: **Must be entirely black** with no coloured stripes, logos or flashing elements.

- Coats and hoodies are not a substitute for uniform and should be removed when inside the school building. Bryngwyn PE hoodie should only be worn in PE lessons only.
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I would encourage all families to review the uniform expectations carefully before September to ensure that all items purchased are in line with school expectations.
Support may be available towards the cost of school uniform and other educational essentials through the School Essentials (PDG Access) Grant. Parents and carers can find further information and application details here. In addition, where there is a specific ALN consideration, please contact the school directly for support.

Piercings and Appearance

The school's expectations regarding jewellery and appearance are also very clear.

- One pair of small stud earrings only is permitted.
- Hoops, long earrings and large decorative earrings are not permitted.
- Facial piercings, including nose, lip and tongue piercings, are not permitted.
- Pupils will be required to remove any piercings that do not meet school expectations.
- Hair colour should be natural, and extreme hairstyles are not permitted.
- Make-up should be subtle and appropriate for school.
- Nail varnish should be discreet, with bright or multi-coloured nail varnish being unacceptable.

If pupils are considering new piercings during the summer holidays, families should carefully consider the school's expectations before making any appointments, as pupils will be expected to comply with the policy from the start of term.

Meeting Expectations

Our aim is to ensure that our school is always characterised by a culture of respect, pride and high standards that enables all pupils to succeed. Therefore, it is important that pupils arrive at school meeting our published expectations regarding uniform, appearance and jewellery. Where pupils do not meet these expectations they will continue their education, however they may be separated from their peers and the wider school community until the issue is resolved. If the issue persists, it will be dealt with through the school's behaviour procedures.
We hope that clarifying these expectations will ensure that our community maintains the high expectations and high standards that are central to our ethos of Giving Our Best to Be Our Best and are fundamental to securing the outcomes and opportunities that every young person deserves.
Thank you for your continued support. I wish you and your family a restful and enjoyable summer break, and I look forward to welcoming all pupils back in September for another successful year at Bryngwyn School.

Yours sincerely,
Rhys Corcoran

Head of School