



Guru Nanak Sikh Academy

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Dear Parent / Carer

As we begin to see warmer temperatures I want to take the opportunity to thank you for your support of school rules, including the dress code for sixth form students. A number of items are continuing to give us ongoing challenges and are proving a distraction. Time spent dealing with these means less focus on planning, learning and revision and we ask for these to be discussed and resolved during communications at home with your child.

Identification Card and lanyards are to be worn at all times when students are on the school premises. These identify our young people as members of our school community, as staff must quickly identify and challenge strangers on the school premises. A small number of spares are kept with Mrs. Bhogal in the sixth form area, but students repeatedly failing to bring their identification pass, will be sent home to collect it. A charge of £5.00 is applicable if it is lost or broken; the student must pay the Finance Team and take the receipt to the IT team to arrange for a permanent replacement Card.

Outdoor coats are to be removed on entering the school premises. They may only be worn in the sixth form areas, or in a classroom with teacher permission. Coats, hoodies and gilets are not to be worn as students move around the school. Smart jumpers, suits, or blazers are acceptable alternatives.

Students continue to have access to mobile phones and music using headphones in the sixth form area, or in class with teacher permission. Phones and earphones will be confiscated if they are used in corridors or elsewhere around the school buildings.

The vast majority of our sixth form show focus on their studies throughout the day and we are extremely grateful for their efforts. However, a small number do not model the exemplary behaviour we expect from our most senior students. Recent issues have included regular lateness and non-attendance, persistent disruption to the learning environment in the library, rudeness to staff, irresponsible driving and loud music in the communal sixth form study areas.

I am asking, therefore, that you fully discuss the above with your child and hope that you can help resolve these issues. The school may contact you if your child is in breach of these regulations.

Consequences for the sixth form may include:

- detention on Friday during periods 6 & 7
- compulsory attendance in the silent work room for private study
- loss of privileges such as signing out at lunchtime
- ultimately if disruption continues, we may wish to permanently exclude a student from the sixth form completely

As we move into the final months of preparation for BTEC and GCE examinations, and Year 12 complete the first half of their courses, our vision as a school is firmly fixed on achieving the highest academic standards for every KS5 student. We believe we can only do so by everyone having the correct mindset with respect to behaviour and a purposeful learning environment. We fully intend to take every possible step to ensure we meet this goal.

Thank you for your continued support of school policies and procedures. Working together will enable the performance of our sixth form students to improve year on year.

Yours faithfully



Mrs C Wilson
Assistant Principal - Post 16