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Dear Parents and Carers

As we approach the final two weeks of the summer term, I would like to extend my congratulations to all our Year 10 and Year 12 students for successfully completing their progression examinations. The students have been fantastic, demonstrating dedication and resilience. This preparation is crucial as they head into next year's terminal assessments, and their efforts now will undoubtedly pay off.

Last week we had the pleasure of hosting a brilliant rewards evening, where over 150 students were recognised for their achievements across a variety of fields. It was an inspiring event, showcasing the diverse talents and hard work of our students. I am incredibly proud of each and every one of them.

The Year 13 prom was also a highlight of the week providing a wonderful opportunity to celebrate with many of our students who have completed a successful seven-year journey with us. It was a night filled with joy, laughter and reflection on their remarkable achievements.

This morning, we sent off our Year 9 Bronze Duke of Edinburgh cohort for their expedition. This experience promises to be incredibly rewarding, offering our students the chance to develop essential life skills, build resilience and create lasting memories.

I would like to thank you all for your support in helping your child transition smoothly into next year's pattern. Our students have been well-organised and adaptable which is a testament to the strong partnership between home and school.

As many of you will be planning to purchase new uniforms in readiness for September, please find a reminder below of our school uniform requirements to ensure that all students are prepared: please refer to our school website for [here](#) for more detailed information on the uniform policy.

Where can parents and carers buy uniform?

Stitch-Tech supply items of NLS branded uniform. They also supply separate logos which can be attached to skirts and blazers if purchased elsewhere. Whilst parents are entitled to source their child's uniform from different suppliers, our uniform supplier Stitch-Tech <https://www.stitchtech.co.uk/> have a variety of waist sizes whilst maintaining the required fit for blazers and length of skirts.

We are lucky enough to receive donations from outgoing students of uniform and will have some uniform available for any students who may require certain items. If parents would like to request items please contact the school at nls@northleamington.co.uk

To summarise our uniform expectations:

School footwear: guidance for students in years 7-11

- Plain Black leather shoes

- “Plain” is defined as being without embellishment, other colours or sports logos
- Must not be boots, canvas shoes, pumps, trainers, high top shoes, open toes, sling backs or high heels

Other uniform expectations:

- Hoodies and black jumpers are not listed on our uniform items and therefore not permitted to be worn in school
- Blazers are expected to be worn at all times except in the event of hot weather and in classrooms
- Girls’ skirts are expected to be no shorter than just above the knee, and with the NLS logo visible (see recommendations for skirt length on the summary below)
- Jewellery must be kept to a minimum (see guidance below)
- We are unable to safekeep valuables for students in PE lessons, therefore students bring valuables into school at their own risk
- Whilst we appreciate that most students will carry mobile phones to/from school for safety purposes, phones, electronic devices and ear buds must be kept in bags during the school day. These items will be confiscated if seen.
- Excessive jewellery is not suitable wear for school and can be dangerous. Body and facial piercing is not permitted, in part due to health and safety risks. Discreet plain studs in the ears are permitted. Minimal makeup is permitted. Nail varnish or acrylics are not permitted

Finally, please do check in with your child about our in-house (student) election. A big well done to our Year 12 Politics students Leo, Karim, Noah, Isaac, Raph and James who each represented a party based on those who have taken place in the election debates on TV. All students had the opportunity to listen to party manifestos and cast a vote themselves. Our results can be seen on the school website [here](#).



Thank you as always, have a great weekend, I will write again in the final bulletin of the year. A reminder our final day of term is Friday 19 July where we close to students at 12:20.

Many thanks

Mike Lowdell
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