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Dear PCS Families

It has been great to get the new academic year off to such a good start and I want to thank you all for supporting your child/children to be so prepared.

PCS Open Evening was a huge success and a lot of that is down to all the students that helped out. Visitors were overwhelmingly impressed by them. They took pride in themselves and the school showcasing our new uniform to our high standards and helping Y6 students get a feel for what happens at PCS. They were articulate, polite, warm and very knowledgeable. Well done!

Students in all year groups have been seen working exceptionally hard in lessons and rising to the challenges of being in a new year group and that is exactly the attitude that will help them grow both academically but also socially and emotionally. They truly are developing into well rounded people and it is a delight to see.

In my initial assemblies, I delivered a clear and firm message regarding our core expectations, particularly our uniform standards. Maintaining high standards of presentation is a fundamental detail we care deeply about, and I want to share this context so you can fully support us from home. I expect every student to be in full, correct uniform every day, and staff will consistently challenge any non-compliance. Our expectations are straightforward and on our website, but I feel I need to highlight a few specific areas: for jewellery, only single stud earrings are permitted, and any other jewellery/piercings will be confiscated and held at the main office. Hair colour must be natural and appropriate care taken to re-dye back to a natural colour before returning to school, not assuming it will wash out. Skirts must be of an appropriate length; if rolled up, students will be instructed to roll them down, and if a skirt is simply too small, we will contact you to ensure a proper replacement is obtained. Please note that if we cannot achieve consistency with skirts, we will have to revisit moving to a trouser-only policy for all students. Additionally, non-uniform tops (anything other than the official PCS V-neck jumper for Years 7–10 or the PCS hoodie for Year 11) will be confiscated, and detentions will be logged for uniform infractions. These rules are simple to follow, and there is no reason for any student to incur a consequence. A reminder that Y11 do not have to wear the PCS sports top and hoodie, they can choose to wear a shirt and their PCS tie as previously.

We focus on these details because getting the basics right demonstrates respect, pride, and a genuine commitment to our school community. I want to extend my heartfelt thanks to the overwhelming majority of students who meet and exceed these expectations every single day. Their impeccable presentation sets a brilliant example for their peers and reflects the high standards we take pride in at PCS.

Kind regards

Ms R Henocq
Headteacher