



# Diss High School

Headteacher: Dr J Hunt

21<sup>st</sup> July 2023

Dear Parent/Carer

As this academic year draws to a close, on behalf of all the staff, I would like to thank you for your continued support you have given your child and all of us here at Diss High School. We do appreciate the positive relationships the school has with you, the parents and carers. We really hope you enjoy the summer break, and you and your family can spend some relaxing time together, whatever your holiday plans may be. Hopefully, the weather will be kind to us all.

This year, we have seen more and more examples of great work, positive social contributions and excellent extra-curricular endeavours from our amazing students. We know that our new head teacher, Mr Stopps is very much looking forward to joining the school in September and guiding our young people to achieving yet more in all areas.

Looking forward, I would like to take this opportunity to reinforce some of our expectations for the new academic year. Our uniform policy will be stay the same for next year, so this holiday period could be a good time to address any issues that your child may have had this year. In September, all students are expected to return to school in the full correct uniform (that is outlined on our website <https://www.disshigh.norfolk.sch.uk/home/parents/school-uniform/>). I have attached some extra guidance regarding some uniform items that students are expected to wear. This is to help with the sometime bewildering choice that is offered in our supermarkets and school clothing outlets.

I would like to draw particular attention to a few areas. Students are only allowed one small earring per ear and **nose piercings (or other face or body piercings) are not permitted** in our uniform policy. Should a student want to have their nose pierced, we strongly recommend that this is done at the start of the holidays, so the piercing can heal before term starts. This means that they can go through the school day without wearing a nose stud or ring and therefore avoid any sanctions as a result.

Hoodies/sweat tops and non-school jumpers are not part of our school uniform. So, students must not wear them instead of the school jumper. Outdoor garments should be dark and sober in colour, button or zip up jackets and have no large designs or logos. Also, our PE uniform policy states that PE shorts must be plain navy sports shorts and not cycling style tight shorts, so please bear this in mind when purchasing the PE kit.

We are aware that we are all finding the cost of living hard at present, so if you require any assistance with this area of focus please do get in touch.

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All the students and staff are looking forward to relaxing and recharging over the next few weeks, so that they are ready to go again, come the Autumn term. We will be excited to welcome back our students in September, ready to work hard and be kind to each other.

If you have any other concerns or questions in relation to this, please do contact us. In the meantime, we wish you all the very best for a happy, safe and healthy summer holiday and we look forward to seeing your child in September.

Kind regards,

Mr B Lea.

Assistant Headteacher – Pupil Support

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