

Our Reference: Expectation Reminders

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Dear Parents / Carers,

As we approach the end of this half term, I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself and thank you for your continued support.

I recently joined the school as Vice Principal for Personal Development, Behaviour and Attitudes. This means that I am responsible for ensuring students are successful in their daily school life by promoting positive behaviour, supporting wellbeing and providing opportunities for everyone to develop confidence and positive attitudes towards learning.

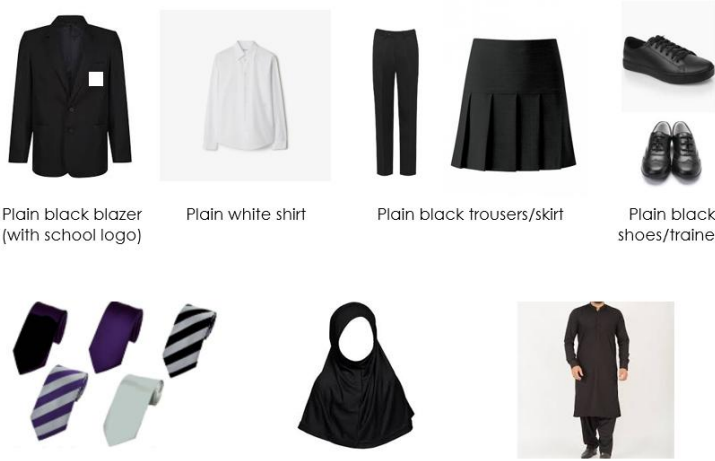
I am looking forward to working with students and families to build a positive, supportive community where everyone can thrive.

Below are some key reminders and important information for the new half term which starts on **Monday 1st June 2026**.

Uniform

We would like to remind all parents and carers that **full school uniform must be worn every day**, including on PE days. Students must arrive at school in their uniform and **bring their PE kit in a bag to change into at school**. Please ensure you prepare over the half term holiday, so your child is fully ready and equipped for a successful start on the 1st June.

School uniform requirements:



Plain black blazer (with school logo)

Plain white shirt

Plain black trousers/skirt

Plain black shoes/trainers

Tie (specific to year group)

Plain black hijab (no colours)

Plain black religious dress (no colours) with school blazer

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As an adjustment, students can choose to wear a plain black jumper, without logos instead of our school blazer.

Plain black trousers, white shirts and black jumpers can be purchased from local shops such as Primark or Asda, they do not need to be purchased from school.

Daily Expectations

These expectations are fully integrated with our school values and are designed to create a calm, respectful and ambitious environment where everyone can succeed.

The Fir Vale Way:

FV1 – We show **determination** by attending every day, ready to learn.

FV2 – We show **respect** by following instructions first time, every time.

FV3 – We wear our uniform with pride and take every **opportunity**.

FV4 – We move calmly and quietly around the academy with pace and purpose.

FV5 – We speak and act with **kindness** to show **togetherness** in our community.

FV6 – We have a positive attitude in everything we do to **achieve** our potential.

We ask for your support in reinforcing The Fir Vale Way with your child at home. Students who do not meet our expectations will receive sanctions.

Mobile Phones reminder

Please remember that our phone policy is '**Not Seen, Not Heard.**' If your child must bring a phone in, it must remain out of sight (in a school bag) and silent during the school day until after they leave school site.

If your child's phone is seen or heard they will be asked to give it to a member of staff and be issued an after-school detention. Students who give their phone to staff the first time they are asked will be able to collect their phone from the school office at the end of the school day, once they have completed their detention.

If a student refuses to hand in their phone to a member of staff, they will be given a second opportunity by a different member of staff. A continued refusal will result in a detention, and the phone must be collected by a parent or carer from reception.

I am looking forward to working with you to support your children for the final half term of this academic year and I would once again like to thank you for your ongoing support.

I wish you and your family a safe and restful half-term break and I look forward to seeing everyone return on Monday 1st June 2026.

Yours faithfully

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Miss D Gautry - Vice Principal

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