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Dear Parents and Carers.

Standards Reminder

I hope this letter finds you well and trust that you have enjoyed a refreshing summer break. As we look forward to welcoming our students back for the new academic year, I thought it would be an ideal time to remind parents of the high standards we expect in St Michael's. I am writing in anticipation of your support with the points I will outline below as they have a direct bearing on positive outcomes for our students.

Uniform – we expect excellent standards of uniform from our students, and it is checked daily by the pastoral team. Blazers are to be worn when students are moving around the school building and skirts worn at knee length. Students are not permitted to wear trainers or boots without genuine medical documentation. Jewellery is not permitted apart from one plain stud earring per ear. Any additional jewellery will be confiscated, and parents asked to collect them. All students who have had false nails done during the holidays are asked to remove them before the return to school.

Punctuality – the routine of being on time for the school day and for lessons is an essential requirement for your child's education journey and it prepares them for the expectations of the workplace. If your child is late for school more than once without reasonable explanation, you will be contacted by us, and your child will receive an after school detention. Also, being on time for lessons during the school day is essential and spending the optimum time in class directly improves outcomes. Again, you will receive contact from us if your child's standards of punctuality fall below this expectation.

Mobile Phones - We have reviewed the mobile phone policy with a student working party and assemblies were held in the summer term to inform all students. Although your child has permission to bring their mobile phone to school, it is imperative that it is turned off and placed safely in their school bag when in the school building. Any mobile phones or connected equipment being used in the school building will be confiscated.

Thank you for your ongoing support and collaboration in following up on the above points. I am confident that we can work together to achieve the very best for your child. We highly value positive relationships in St Michael's and I can assure you that your child's well-being is of paramount importance.

If you require any support with your child in relation to the above areas or have any questions, please do not hesitate to get in touch with me.

Yours sincerely,

Mr M Scott

Deputy Headteacher

