



## September 2024 Sixth Form Dress Code

Dear Parent/ Carer

You may have seen that we are making changes to the uniform for Years 7- 11 for September. Taking a whole school view it was also right to formally review the Sixth Form dress code which presents regular challenges with cost and consistency for students.

I am pleased to write that after working with Governors, Students and Parents we will be updating the St Francis of Assisi Sixth Form Dress Code with effect from September 2024.

The link here ([Click here](#)) shares what our new Sixth Form standard will look like. We will be moving to a dark blue, two- piece suit which addresses the significant cost associated with our current Sixth Form dress code. This will also bring a consistent standard to the Sixth Form whilst still allowing some individuality as the shirt worn under the suit can vary in pattern and colour.

As current Year 12 students and parents/ carers will have already purchased Business wear under the current dress code, Year 12 students moving in to Year 13 can continue to attend Sixth Form under the current dress code.

Making a change like this should never negatively impact parents/ carers financially and so I am pleased to announce that **we will buy all Year 12 and Year 13 students a brand-new two- piece outfit for September**. Every student who signs up for our Sixth Form on GCSE results day on 22<sup>nd</sup> August 2024 will be provided with a unique code and they will then have until 2<sup>nd</sup> September to visit one of the stores listed in the FAQ document to get their new suit completely free of charge. Any Year 13 student who returns in September will also be given their unique code and will be able to go collect a brand new two- piece suit.

Our student council, as representatives of the student body, support the new design and Governors and I are very pleased with the new look. Crucially the cost to parents/ carers and students, long term will be reduced and there will not be the issue with consistency that is currently faced.

This is a significant change for St Francis of Assisi Catholic College, it has been strategically considered and planned for. The attached Frequently Asked Questions document should address any questions you may have.

Yours sincerely,

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Headteacher