Appearance of Pupils (Years 7 – 11)

There are three guiding principles regarding the appearance of pupils:

- the school's desire to promote a strong, cohesive, school identity that supports high standards and a sense of collective identity among pupils;
- that pupils should consider that appearance is communication and they are expected to present themselves in a thoughtful and business-like manner;
- the school want to actively avoid "indirect" discrimination. This involves the application of a
 requirement, which, although applied equally to everyone, puts those of a particular gender,
 race, sexual orientation or religion or belief at a disadvantage because they cannot in
 practice comply with it.

Boys should be dressed in accordance with this uniform list, which also applies on the journey to and from school.

- Blazers to be worn at all times around school, unless otherwise authorised by the Headmaster.
- Top buttons fastened; tie properly done up. Shirts tucked in.
- Grey school trousers. Jeans, chinos and other fashion trousers are not acceptable. Belts, if worn, should be plain and with a modest buckle.
- Black smart shoes with plain dark soles. Not boots, trainers or brown shoes. Dark grey or black plain socks.
- V necked navy blue or grey sweaters are allowed. No cardigans, sweatshirts, hoodies, fleeces, track suit tops or denim jackets for use as coats.
- Coats should allow you to be visible to traffic in the dark winter months and a plain design. They should not be worn inside the school buildings.
- Hats, gloves, and scarves must be plain coloured either blue or black. Alternatively, the school scarf may be worn. These should not be worn inside the school buildings.
- Hair must be of natural colour. Longer hair must be tied up and off the collar at all times. Hair clips and ties must be discreet. Facial hair is permitted.
- No earrings, bangles, make up or other jewellery is to be worn.
- Pupils are encouraged to maintain a healthy standard of personal hygiene.

The Sixth Form Dress Code

As Sixth Formers you will be required to dress in a manner that is, in the opinion of the school, formal and restrained. As senior students it is important that both your appearance and conduct set an appropriate tone for the younger pupils. The Dress Code reflects the importance we attach to maintaining high standards whilst treating you as young adults. In joining the LRGS Sixth Form, you have opted to pursue academic qualifications, and your appearance should be business-like, tidy and modest to reflect the serious and formal nature of your Sixth Form studies.

BOYS:

- **Suits**: If you choose to wear a suit, it should be matching, of a traditional formal style and cut. Patterns are permissible if they are subtle and reflect the principle of smart professional dress (e.g. modest pin stripe). Alternatively, you may opt for a tailored jacket and smart trousers.
- **Shirts**: A smart, tailored shirt with a formal collar is to be worn. Shirts are to be tucked in and top-buttons are to be done up at all times.
- Trousers: They should not be brightly coloured and not 'skinny' fitting. Jeans, chinos and other
 fashion trousers are not acceptable. Belts, if worn, should be plain and with a modest buckle.
- **Ties**: The Sixth Form tie is available from our uniform supplier Uniform and Leisurewear and from Mrs Haywood at the beginning of each academic year. Other approved school ties may also be worn.
- **Shoes**: Dark or tan coloured, formal, polishable shoes; no trainers or boots. Dark socks should be worn.

GIRLS:

- Suits: You may choose between a formal dress or a smart, tailored skirt / trouser suit. The dress / skirt hem should be on the knee. Coordinating, smart, fitted jackets / suit jackets should be worn. Patterns are permissible if they are subtle and reflect the principle of smart professional dress (eg modest pin stripe). Jeans and leggings may not be substituted for formal trousers.
- **Blouses / tops:** Blouses, shirts or smart tops should be worn with a trouser or skirt suit. Sleeveless or vest tops may not be worn.
- **Shoes**: Formal, low-heeled and closed-toe shoes in a dark colour. Plain tights should be worn with dresses or skirts.
- **Pin Badge**: The school badge should be visibly attached on the lapel of your jacket. These can be bought from the school shop and from Mrs Haywood at the beginning of each academic year.

In addition for all pupils...

- **Coats:** Smart coats may be worn around the school site but should be removed upon entering school buildings. Denim or leather jackets may not be worn.
- Outer garments: Hoodies, anoraks, waterproof coats or leather garments are not permitted as a replacement for a tailored jacket. Smart V-neck jumpers or cardigans may be worn in cold weather but should be plain and without obvious branding.
- Hair and jewellery: Hair should be of a natural colour. For safety reasons long hair must be tied up and off the collar (using discreet hair clips and ties) in situations such as during science practicals, P.E. and Games lessons and in the Technology block. Facial hair is permitted. Modest ear-studs may be worn. Other jewellery, facial piercings and visible tattoos are not permitted.
- Make-up: Only natural make-up is allowed. This includes natural nails.