



Churchdown School Academy

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Dear Parents and Carers,

I would like to thank you for the part you have played in ensuring your child arrived at school for the new term, prepared to learn and fully equipped. We have had a very good start so far, and the students have impressed with their attitude to learning. It is these basics which underpin our significant improvements each year; they also ensured we had record results at GCSE and A level, for the fourth year running, in August 2018.

The policy change to the use of mobile phones at school is going well and I'm pleased that the students have adapted quickly with only a few minor infringements. The impact of being 'phone free' in lessons has already improved student engagement, and it's been pleasing to see more students talking to each other and socialising, as opposed to being immersed in what's happening on their phones, during break and lunch.

Whilst the students have returned looking smart and ready to learn, unfortunately, there are a number of students whose skirts are too short. As per the letters sent during the holiday, and the policy, which is explained in the uniform guide, we will speak with students and contact families where a skirt needs to be replaced.

In the meantime, if your child's skirt is more than a credit card's width above the knee it needs to be replaced. You are able to purchase a new one from school.

Once again, thank you for your continued support and I look forward to seeing you at the forthcoming information evenings.

Yours faithfully

Christopher Belli
Headteacher