# **Special Notes**

The changing nature of the influences on young people now makes it necessary for us to clarify our school's policy on certain aspects of teenage life. During your time in school your focus must be on learning, sustaining effort and adopting a positive attitude.

#### Personal Relationships

In school we expect all pupils to adhere to appropriate personal contact and to refrain from overly familiar and inappropriate physical contact.

#### **Personal Items**

Expensive jewellery, personal electronic equipment (such as iPods, game consoles, mobiles) are brought to school at the individual's risk. Neither the school nor the education authority carries insurance for loss, theft or damage to such items. Phones and iPods etc. are only ever permitted in class for educational use and will be confiscated if used without permission.

#### Texting, Facebook & Websites

There has been a disturbing rise in the number of issues which have surfaced in school as a result of pupils texting and using sites such as Facebook inappropriately. Pupils should ensure that issues caused or exacerbated by such activities are <u>not</u> brought into school. They should also be aware that <u>malicious</u> use of such communications can result in criminal prosecution.

#### **School Transport**

Transport companies have the responsibility to ensure that journeys to and from school are safe and comfortable. **Pupils whose behaviour on school buses is a threat to the safety and comfort of others could be permanently excluded from accessing school transport.** This also applies to smoking which, on public transport, is an offence.

## WALLACE HIGH SCHOOL

### **'FIDE UT RUPE FUNDATUM'**

### **TO BUILD ON A SOLID ROCK**

## **THAT ROCK IS:**

### ATTITUDE

### EFFORT

### VALUES & RELATIONSHIPS

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## **Expectations**

Your parents and staff expect a great deal of you at Wallace High. We expect the highest standards of effort, conduct, courtesy, work and dress. We also wish for you to participate in school life and to **enjoy** your time at school.

#### We wish for a POSITIVE ATTITUDE to be evident when you are in school or doing work for school.

In Wallace High a positive attitude to school is **much more important than individual ability** but a positive attitude only exists if it is **evident**. Evidence of a positive attitude will be:

- wearing the full school uniform
- keeping all jotters graffiti-free
- attending punctually
- working hard on classwork and homework.

# **General Rules**

Certain rules are taken for granted in Wallace High. All pupils at Wallace High must: attend school regularly and on time;

take care of their own health & safety;

do nothing to jeopardise others' health & safety ;

behave appropriately at all times in and around school and on transport to and from school;

show respect for teachers, other members of staff, other pupils and visitors;

accept the authority of all staff in school.

## Some Specific Rules

Certain rules need to be specifically emphasised. All pupils at Wallace High must:

keep the school litter and graffiti free;

take care of books, jotters and other materials & carry them in a suitable bag;

use mobile phones appropriately & only at intervals / lunchtimes (unless for educational use);

behave appropriately when leaving the school and going into the local community at lunchtimes.

#### Permission to Leave a Lesson

In the absence of prior notification from parents and a clear medical requirement, pupils *repeatedly asking out of class to visit the toilet* are simply disrupting learning for themselves and others.

## Our Uniform Dress Code

The following are all part of our school uniform: Blazer Shirt & Tie School Sweatshirt Black trousers or skirt Dark shoes

Hooded tops and outside jackets must be removed in classrooms.

If questioned in regard to the above, pupils must accept the authority of staff as these expectations are reasonable, fair and achievable for all.

## Consequences

Breaking any of our school rules will have consequences depending on the gravity and/or frequency of the action. Some examples are:

- 1. verbal reprimand
- 2. *detention*
- 3. withdrawal of privileges (eg clubs/ discos / trips / shows)
- 4. referral to a Faculty Manager
- 5. parents being contacted
- 6. referral to a Depute Head Teacher
- 7. referral to the Head Teacher
- 8. parents being asked to come up to school
- 9. exclusion from school

# SIGNATURES

It is important that both you and your parents are aware of and understand these rules.

Accordingly, please sign this leaflet below with your parents and ask them to sign it. You should then keep it at home so that you, your parents and the school have a shared understanding of expectations.

### Pupil Signature

### **Parental Signature**