

23rd July 2024

Dear Parents/Carers,

As we draw to the end of the academic year, I would like to take this time to remind you of our uniform policy ready for September.

Policy Amendments for Consistency

We are not making significant changes to the existing uniform; rather, we have refined the policy to address areas of inconsistency and eliminate grey areas that can cause issues. By tightening these guidelines, we aim to ensure that all pupils adhere to the same standards, fostering a respectful and cohesive school environment.

New School Skirt

Starting in September, we are introducing a new school skirt design, chosen through parental consultation. The skirt is available at Classworx in Macclesfield or can be ordered directly from their website: [Classworx](#). ***Classworx is offering a 10% discount on your first order of the skirt, which is reflected in the website price. There is currently a further 5% off if you order your skirt during July. Please enter BTS24 at the checkout.***

From September, this will be the only permitted skirt as part of our uniform. Pupils who prefer not to wear the skirt may wear trousers instead—details below.

Girls' Trousers

Leggings are not part of our school uniform. From September, only trousers made of school uniform material will be allowed. Classworx stocks suitable school uniform trousers, currently on sale on their website. Some links were sent in the last uniform letter but additionally, here are links to other suitable school trousers:

- [Girls High Waist Skinny School Trousers](#) M&S Collection
- [Girls' Skinny Leg Belted School Trousers](#) M&S Collection
- [V by Very Girls 2 Pack Woven School Trouser Plus Size - Black](#)
- [Black Senior Belted Skinny Stretch School Trousers](#) Next
- [Trutex Straight Leg Twin Pocket Girls Black School Trousers](#)
- [School Skinny Stretch Trousers](#) Next
- [Plain Front School Trousers](#) Next
- [Girls' Adjustable Waist Slim Leg School Trousers](#) John Lewis

Supermarkets also sell suitable trousers made of school uniform material.

Please ensure that any trousers you buy for your daughter are made of school uniform material, as other materials will not be allowed.



Boys' Trousers

As a reminder, boys must also wear trousers made of school uniform material. Designs are available on the Classworx website or available as outlined above.

Jumpers

School logo jumpers are available from Classworx. If you buy a school skirt and jumper during July, Classworx will offer an additional 10% discount on the jumper. KS3 pupils should wear the burgundy jumper, and KS4 pupils the black jumper.

Socks

As part of the updated policy, socks must be plain black or grey when worn with trousers, shorts, or skirts (no white socks or fluffy socks of any colour). Tights should be black.

Shoes

Shoes should be flat, plain black, and sensible, with no logos or motifs. Boots, trainers, canvas shoes, or sandals are not permitted. We will allow a plain black airforce shoe with the metal band removed. Please see the images on the school website for clarification.

Jewellery and Hair

Jewellery is limited to a watch and studs in the lower ears, all other earrings must be removed. **A new piercing at risk of healing is not an acceptable excuse for wearing anything other than studs in ears.** Any nose piercings must be removed; a clear plastic spacer can be used as a replacement. Makeup and nail varnish must look natural; extreme-length acrylic nails of colour will not be accepted. There should be no extreme hairstyles, such as patterns shaved into the head or vivid hair colours.

Pre-loved Uniform

In my last letter I referred to our pre-loved uniform shop. Thank you to those who donated, it has been warmly received by other parents. If you are still in need of any items of uniform from this shop, please get in touch with the office on INSET DAY 1 on Wednesday 4th September.

Importance of Parental Support

Your support in ensuring your child complies with the uniform policy is invaluable.

Please note that non-compliance with the uniform policy will result in the pupil being placed in isolation and/or a request for parents to bring the correct uniform to school and/or the pupil being sent home to change into the correct uniform.

Thank you for your continued support in making sure that your child does not face one of these sanctions. Our uniform guidelines are also available on the school website.

Have a lovely summer with your families.



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