

Thursday 14th November 2019

Dear Parents/Carers

School Uniform Consultation

We believe our uniform should instil a sense of identity, pride and belonging. We want our students to be comfortable in school as well as ensuring high standards and consistency. "School uniform supports effective teaching and learning and engenders a positive, calm and respectful teaching and learning environment." (Department for Education). We also want to ensure we have a clear identity within our local community so that children have a clear sense of belonging to our school.

Our School Council have discussed changing to a 'smarter' school uniform for some time now. We have therefore decided to consult with all students, parents and staff and request your views. Our governing body will consider all the feedback and decide whether to make changes or not. Designs of the proposed uniform can be found below and a mannequin with samples can be seen in our reception area.

Proposed Uniform Design



Proposed Timeline

Easter 2020 – Anglia Sports and Schoolwear would change all excess jumpers and cardigans to the new uniform design so that any uniform items being replaced would be in the new school style.

September 2020 – All new Year 3 children would change to the new uniform. Children in Years 4-6 would move to the new uniform changes consisting of a button up white shirt and school tie but existing jumpers and cardigans would remain acceptable. Children in Years 4-6 would not have to purchase the new jumpers, but could do so if they wish.

September 2021 – All children in Years 3-6 will wear the new uniform.

We hope that by allowing a phased period whereby old uniform jumpers and cardigans can still be worn, will make the change more financially viable for families.

Proposed Changes

- Grey skirts, shorts or trousers
- New uniform v-neck jumper or cardigan
- Button up white shirt
- School tie (clip on)

Polo shirts and black skirts, shorts, trousers would no longer be part of the uniform policy

Cost comparison

Current Uniform		Proposed New Uniform	
Jumper	From £10.75	Jumper	From £10.75
Cardigan	From £12.50	Cardigan	From £12.50
Polo shirt	From £8.50	Button up white shirt	Various (available from a range of shops)
Black or grey skirts, trousers or shorts	Various (available from a range of shops)	Grey trousers/skirts	Various (available from a range of shops)
		School Tie	£4.75

As you can see there will be no cost increase in jumpers and cardigans. By all children moving to a button up white shirt would allow parents to buy these in multi-packs, as opposed to school polo shirts. The only additional cost would be for the tie, which would be a clip on.

The consultation period will run until Tuesday 7th January 2020. After which time, feedback will be presented to the governing body and a decision confirmed. This will allow our uniform provider sufficient time to make any amendments as required. Please take the time to complete the feedback slip below and return it to the school office (in the big red post box in Reception) before this date.

Kind Regards

Mrs K Jones
 Headteacher

Uniform Consultation Reply Slip

Please circle one of the following statements:

I do support the proposed changes to the school uniform

I do not support the proposed changes to the school uniform

In general, I support a uniform change but would like to suggest the following adaptations to the proposed designs _____

Thank you for your reply

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