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Dear Parents / Carers,

School Uniform – Current Position and Future Review

I am writing to provide clarity regarding our current school uniform arrangements and to outline some initial thinking about future developments.

Firstly, I would like to reassure you that there are no immediate changes to the school's uniform policy, and our current policy will remain in place from September 2026. Our expectations and requirements remain the same at this time, and pupils should continue to attend school in full uniform in accordance with our existing policy. As a reminder, our current list of uniform items is shared at the end of this letter.

However, as a school we recognise the importance of listening carefully to the views of our community. Over recent months, we have received a range of feedback from parents, carers, pupils and the wider community regarding aspects of our uniform policy.

In response to this, we will be beginning a more formalised review process in due course; it will start during the autumn term 2026. This review will allow us to consider all perspectives thoughtfully and ensure that our policy continues to reflect our shared values of inclusion, practicality, and respect for all members of our school community. As part of this process, we will seek to engage with stakeholders and gather further views before any decisions are made.

To provide an initial indication of the direction of discussion, during this process we will consider several areas and/or options. These include, but are not limited to, changes to the style of trousers, the phasing out of skirts or changes to the style of skirt and the introduction of tailored shorts as part of a summer uniform. Alongside of this we will also consider affordability and the full school uniform policy. This extended timeframe is intended to ensure that any changes are introduced in a measured and sensitive manner, allowing families ample notice and opportunity to plan, whilst also allowing for a full review.

I would like to stress that no decisions have been finalised at this stage, and the review process will be both thorough and consultative. Further communication will follow as this work progresses, including opportunities for you to share your views. Thank you, as always, for your continued support of the school and your constructive engagement on matters that affect our pupils and community.

Yours sincerely,
Mike Stephens
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Headteacher

School Uniform List

YEARS 7-11

- White shirt with stiff collar
- School tie (*school ties are available to buy from school reception*)
- Navy blue v-neck jumper / sweatshirt with school badge (*school badges are available to buy from school reception*)
- Navy blue trousers of traditional style / navy blue plain or pinstripe knee-length skirt (not stretchy or lycra)
- Dark socks / navy tights
- Flat black shoes (no canvas shoes or footwear above the ankle)
- Plain overcoat

YEARS 12 & 13

- Blue shirt with stiff collar
- Sixth form school tie (*school ties are available to buy from school reception*)
- Black v-neck jumper / sweatshirt with school badge (*school badges are available to buy from school reception*)
- Black trousers of traditional style / black plain or pinstripe knee-length skirt (not stretchy or lycra)
- Dark socks / black tights
- Flat black shoes (no canvas shoes or footwear above the ankle)
- Plain overcoat

PHYSICAL EDUCATION

- School P.E. t-shirt / plain navy t-shirt (small logo permitted)
- Plain black/navy shorts or plain navy skirt
- Plain black / navy jogging bottoms or leggings
- Plain or badged navy hoodie
- Red P.E. socks / white ankle socks
- Trainers
- Rugby / Football boots (when required)
- Swimming costume / trunks / shorts (when required)

Additional Guidance

Jewellery

On health and safety grounds we do not allow pupils to wear any jewellery in our school. The exception to this rule is a wristwatch and one pair of small studs for the sixth form. We ask pupils to remove these objects during PE and games, to prevent them from causing injury. Make-up including nail varnish/false nails/ false eyelashes is/are not allowed. Items may be confiscated if pupils do not adhere to school rules.

Extreme haircuts and colours

The school does not permit children to have 'extreme' haircuts and unnatural hair colours that could serve as a distraction to other pupils. Only basic hair accessories to be worn.

Footwear

The school wants all children to grow into healthy adults. We believe that it is dangerous for pupils to wear shoes that have platform soles or high heels, so we do not allow pupils to wear such shoes in our school. Neither do we allow pupils to wear trainers to school; this is because we think that this footwear is appropriate for sport or for leisurewear but is not in keeping with the smart appearance of a school uniform. We require all pupils to wear shoes as stated in the uniform list.

Outerwear

A suitable plain coat may be worn as outerwear to and from school. Large logos are to be avoided if at all possible.

Health and Safety

Pupils with long hair or headscarves are required to tie them back safely for PE and work in science labs or technology workshops.

NO DENIM JACKETS, LEATHER JACKETS, HOODIES, HEAVILY LOGOED TOPS, BASEBALL CAPS OR TRAINERS ARE TO BE WORN TO SCHOOL.

In all cases of dispute or interpretation of the school's rules, the decision of the Headteacher will be final.

There are two uniform suppliers:

Euroschools, Penybont Court, Ogmoredale Terrace, Bridgend

Telephone: 01656 654012

Uniform 2 Go Ltd, Unit 4, New Street, Bridgend Industrial Estate

Telephone: 01656 655122