

Information letter: Uniform Changes from September 2023

Dear Parents and Carers

Like many schools in the country, and in line with government advice, we have reviewed our Uniform policy this term. We are writing to you now as we appreciate that many parents buy school uniform at the start of the summer holidays, and you need as much notice as possible about the changes we are making.

We want your children to attend a school with high aspirations and standards that will, in turn, enable them to achieve their full potential. Improving the standard of uniform supports this process.

The Uniform Policy 2023-2024 contains all our Uniform requirements and explains our systems and processes, it can be found on the school website.

New Year 7 starters 2023, changes from previous years

- Black leather or leather style shoes (no trainers or skate shoes)
- Clip on tie- always worn to its correct length
- Skirts: NT skirt only. This is available through the school uniform shop or from Macron at Indian Queens.
[NT Shop Here](#)
- Trousers: Students may not wear the chino brand Dickies or roll their trouser bottoms
- All belts must be plain black.

Years 8-11 September 2023

- Students may continue to wear their existing ties if they are full length. Broken clip-on ties need to be replaced
- Students have 12 months during which time they must replace shoes as they wear out or become too small with leather or leather look shoes. Leather shoes will be compulsory uniform, for all years, from September 2024
- Skirts: The NT skirt is the only skirt acceptable (from September 2023)
- Trousers: Students may not wear the chino brand Dickies or roll the bottom of their trousers
- All belts must be plain black.
- Jewellery: One stud earring per ear, one ring per hand- No other Jewellery

Financial Support

We will continue to support parents struggling with the cost of school uniform. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the relevant Head of Year to discuss how we can help.

The new NT Skirt is being heavily subsidised by the school to support parents and make it affordable, and it will cost £10. For students in receipt of the pupil premium/ free school meals this will be further subsidised to £5.

Mental health and exemptions

Our policy is fully inclusive. We will make exemptions for students with medical and mental health needs and will continue to work with the Student Council and listen to student voice about meeting the needs of all groups of students.

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