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Dear Parents/Carers

We have become increasingly aware of some children not wearing proper uniform to school and for PE. As we are nearing the end of term I do appreciate that children will be growing out of this year's uniform and school shoes will be becoming worn out and tatty.

We do still want to maintain our school uniform in the last few weeks of term. It is important to us because it:

- looks smart
- contributes to a sense of belonging
- gives a common purpose
- fosters a feeling of pride
- reduces 'fashion competition' between children.

If your child does not have the correct uniform we do have lots of second-hand uniform which can be bought for a small donation or swapped for outgrown items. We will have a number of uniform sales available over the next few weeks but you can ask at the office at any time.

If your child cannot wear their school shoes please speak to the class teacher to explain why.

Some girls are wearing skirts that are too short, I know they wear shorts underneath; however they must be decent and must not be rolled up. They should have separate shorts for PE.

If children do not have Red PE shorts they can wear black shorts but they must be sports shorts or cycle shorts and not fashion hot-pants style.

We will be reviewing the school uniform policy at the next Governor meeting. Please do not buy any new uniform until this has been agreed. If you have any suggestions please let me know in the next two weeks.

There are some items which are not appropriate in school for safety reasons. Jewellery must not be worn in school or for sporting activities. Long hair should be tied back. The only items that are considered appropriate are watches and studs worn in pierced ears. The school does not approve of either jewellery or cosmetics, unless for cultural reasons, and then only if approved by the Head Teacher. Please note that staff are not allowed to remove or look after jewellery for children. The safest place is at home.

If there are any breaches of the school policy children will be spoken to and a message will be sent home via Tapestry. If there is no explanation from parents and children are still in breach, an appointment with parents will be made to discuss the matter.

We appreciate your support with this matter.

Kindest regards,

Mrs. Jones















