

KDS/JSS

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Dear Parents/Carers

New School Uniform Update

As I am sure you are now aware, our proposed new school uniform has been mocked up by Skoolkit and has been on display in the Reception areas of both campuses since Monday 27 March 2017. The models will remain in school and are available for parents to come and view until Friday 7 April 2017.

Currently only a handful of parents have visited the school to view the uniform and most comments have been favourable. Feedback from our Year 6 Coffee Morning was also very positive. We have taken into consideration the views of parents on Facebook regarding the colour of the skirts and trousers, with parents expressing a preference for black. The main reason we are proposing grey is that over a number of years we have tried to ensure skirts that are chosen when purchasing uniform are appropriate in terms of length and style. However, fashion appears to be dictating that skirts are getting shorter and tighter. With regard to trousers, black gives students the option of choosing to wear leggings or, as in the case of some of our boys, black jeans. Grey is a "uniform" colour for skirts and trousers and those deflecting from the rules can more easily be spotted.

Although all uniform items will be on sale in Skoolkit, we are not specifying that anything other than the blazer and tie be purchased from there. Red logoed jumpers will be available from Skoolkit, but we are happy for students to wear plain red jumpers that can be purchased from other stores. We will also be providing badges for those students who wish to replace the badge on their current blazer.

We have researched local retailers and hope that the examples on the attached sheet will help parents to see that grey is not a more expensive or less accessible option. All items can also be bought online.

A decision regarding the uniform will be made by the end of the week, taking all comments into consideration. If we do choose grey, further guidance on the shade will be stipulated. I hope that you will appreciate that we have tried to make the uniform as affordable and easily accessible as possible. The uniform will not be compulsory for current students until September 2018.

If you have any further queries, please do not hesitate to contact me. Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely



Krista Dawkins
Headteacher

School Uniform Guide

Skoolkit

Has ten options of senior skirts in lots of designs. All skirts go from 22 to 38 inch waist and have choices in length.



SK222 Charleston
£16.99



SSK242 Senior Skirt
£13.99



ST1 Senior Trouser
24-42 inch waist, short/reg/long length
£15.99

Matalan



For younger girls – goes up to age 13
Just £6.00-£7.00 depending on size



Boys classic school trouser
Up to age 16, £6.00-£9.00



For younger boys – up to age 13, slim
fit, £8.00



Various choices of grey trousers for Men
 Mens' tailored fit flat front grey Trousers £15.00
 Up to 38 inch waist and choice of lengths



Men's tailored fit crease resistant trousers
 Up to 40" waist, 33" leg
 Just £10.00

Asda

Boys trousers up to 15/16 years, lots of choice from £3-7.00 a pair
 Girls skirts – lots of choice of grey skirts up to 15/16 years from £3-£7.00
 Also a choice of men's grey trousers, various styles, from 30-42 inch waist and choice of lengths, £10-15

Sainsburys

Boys grey slim fit trousers 2 pack, age 10-16, up to £14.00



Marks and Spencer – please note they always have an offer before school restarts in September of 25% off or 3 for 2!!

Various styles in boys grey trousers



Girls' grey pleated skirt
 Up to 15-16 years, 2 choices of length
 £12-14.00



Women's grey pencil skirt, sizes 8-20
 Length 24 and 27"
 £19.50

White shirts can be purchased in lots of stores:

Asda – 5 pack of girls' school shirts, up to age 16-17, £8.50-16.00

Asda – 5 pack of boys' school shirts, up to age 16-17, £8.50-16.00

Matalan – 2 pack of school shirts – up to age 16, £5.50-8.00

M&S – 2 pack of school shirts - £9.00-15.00 – also offer slim fit shirts

Red jumpers –

George at Asda, up to age 13-14, £5.00

Next – red cardigans up to age 16, £11.00

Next – red jumpers up to age 16, £12.00

Sainsburys – 2 pack of red jumpers, up to age 16, £10.00