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Dear Parent/Guardian

School Uniform

We have very high expectations for ourselves as a school, for our parents/guardians and for our pupils. We therefore have those same high expectations with regards to uniform. As you will be aware we have our normal full school uniform and our PE uniform. A detailed breakdown of our school uniform will be available in our school information booklet being sent home this week.

Children should be wearing their **full school uniform** every day except for the days on which their class has PE. For example, if P1 have PE on Tuesday and Friday, they wear their PE uniform on those days and then **on every other day** they should be wearing their full school uniform. The only exception to this is if they have an after-school sporting activity such as EVO Soccer.

This is not currently the case for too many of our children. In every class last year there were multiple children wearing their PE uniform every single day. In the summer this got even worse with children wearing shorts of all colours, leggings and other items of clothing which are not permitted. This is unfair on the many parents and children who follow our uniform rules every day and leads to confusion for children who wonder why their friends in their class are allowed to wear tracksuit bottoms, but they aren't. It is also an example of low expectations not the very high ones we are aiming for in everything we do.

There are very occasionally some children who require amendments to their uniform for medical or sensory needs. **A child saying they just don't like the full uniform is not an acceptable reason.**

Therefore, I am asking our parents to join with us in raising expectations and following our uniform rules as clearly laid out every year in our school information booklet. Everyone has a washing crisis from time to time when you realise everything is still dirty or you just forget. This will always be understood. However, if it happens again and again, we will be contacting parents directly to address the situation and see if there is anything we can do to help. Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely

P Ritchie (Acting Principal)