

25 May 2023

Dear Parents and Carers

As we head towards the second half of the Summer term we would like to thank you all for working with us as we managed strike days, bank holidays and disruptions on our site. Year 11 have started their exams extremely well and this will continue after half term. We will soon be writing to you with more exciting information about changes to our pastoral team which we believe will enable us to support your child much more effectively to achieve their best.

We would again like to remind parents of our policy regarding school uniform. We are very proud of our smart school uniform and are committed to consistently maintaining our high expectations. **Therefore, all students not in school uniform after May half term will complete their learning in an alternative classroom, as well as spend social time in there, while we help them fix any uniform issues.**

Evidence supports the rationale that school uniform plays a valuable role in contributing to the ethos of a school, supporting effective teaching and learning.

School uniform helps to:

- instil pride;
- support positive behaviour and discipline;
- encourage identity with, and support for, the school ethos;
- protect children from social and financial pressures to dress in a particular way;
- nurture community cohesion and promote good relations between different groups of students.

The school uniform represents a reasonable requirement and pays regard to the: Sex Discrimination Act 1975, the Human Rights Act 1998 and the Race Relations Amendment Act 2002. We are mindful of the cost to families of buying school uniform when setting our uniform requirements and make every effort to combine school specific items, brought from the School's Uniform supplier, with generic items that can be brought from a range of retailers.

The school specific items of uniform, which must be purchased from the School's uniform provider, are the School tie, blazer and some PE kit items. These items are highlighted on the list below. They can be purchased direct from Stitch tech, allowing a try before you buy facility, or through the store's on-line website with delivery to your home address.

### **Uniform expectations:**

Below are outlined our uniform expectations. Please ensure you send your children in the correct uniform:

**Shoes:** must be black, leather style with no sports logos. This will mean no Air Force 1s or trainers with bubbles in the sole.

**Blazer:** must be the school black blazer. A blazer is to be worn at all times around the school site. It can be removed when in lessons.

**Skirts:** **black pleated skirt will be compulsory for all students from September 2023**

Year 7: black pleated skirt or black trousers

Year 8 - 10: As above. Until end of term (July 2023), students in year 8-10 can also wear a grey pleated skirt or grey straight skirt with Myton logo. **No lycra skirts allowed in school.**

**Shirts:** Top button done up and shirts tucked in

**Ties:**

Year 7: Tie compulsory

Year 8-11: Tie compulsory from September 2023

**Jumpers:** Black v-neck only. These are an OPTIONAL item of uniform. The blazer must be worn, but if a jumper is worn in addition, please ensure it is a plain black, v-neck jumper with no logos.

**Socks:** Plain black, grey or white. No fluffy socks or sports logos.

**Jewellery:** A single stud earring in each ear; no facial piercings including nose studs; no other jewellery permitted. Piercings other than a single stud in each ear will be asked to be removed.

**Nails:** No coloured nail varnish or acrylic nails allowed. Nails should be kept to a sensible length that will not affect safety and participation in PE, other practical subjects, or a student's ability to write.

**Make up:** must be light and insignificant. No false eyelashes allowed.

**Chewing gum:** Is not allowed on site.

**PE uniform:** there are some elements required for health and safety purposes. As per National Governing Body requirement, the following sport-specific safety items will be required and without them a student's lesson participation as a performer in these sports will be limited. The required items are:

- Shin Pads (Hockey, Football)
- Gum Shield (Rugby, Hockey)
- Studded/Bladed boots (Football, Rugby)

In addition, it is important to remind you that students are not able to participate in any sport whilst wearing jewellery.

**Uniform – Stockist**

Our uniform supplier, [Stitch Tech](http://Stitch Tech), is based on the Sydenham Industrial Estate in Leamington Spa. They offer an online shop and a shop/showroom. Please select click and collect (Wednesdays) or home delivery.

Email: [sales@stitchtech.co.uk](mailto:sales@stitchtech.co.uk)

Go to the online shop: [www.stitchtech.co.uk](http://www.stitchtech.co.uk)

Please do not hesitate to contact the school if you have any questions or require any further information.

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