

West Monmouth School

Ysgol Gorllewin Mynwy



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Dear parents / carers,

Since Christmas, we have noticed a significant deterioration in standards of uniform. We understand, of course, that some families may still be experiencing difficulties due to the COVID pandemic. However, we are anxious to get school as 'back to normal' as possible for learners, and uniform is a big part of that. For this reason, we will be having a renewed focus on uniform standards next term and so we thought it would be useful to send out a reminder of expectations before the holiday to give families time to purchase any necessary items.

As parents will already be aware, we allow pupils to wear 'Summer Uniform' from Easter onwards if they wish to. The requirements of this are as follows:

- **Royal blue badged polo shirt** – pupils may wear their existing PE tops or purchase the new badged polo shirts which will be the new KS3 uniform from September. These are now in stock with our suppliers.
- **Black skirt, tailored trousers or shorts** – shorts must be either the badged WMS PE shorts or tailored black shorts. No other sports shorts, denim or 'cycling' type shorts are acceptable.
- **Plain black v-neck jumper** - No hoodies or sweatshirts are allowed and, if you are purchasing a new jumper, we would advise getting one of the new badged ones as these will be required from September.
- **Plain black shoes** – These need to be waterproof and be completely plain with no coloured logos or soles.

If pupils do not wish to wear 'Summer Uniform', they can of course continue to wear normal school uniform. We would remind parents however that the same rules regarding shoes and jumpers apply as above. **We would also ask parents to ensure that pupils are not coming to school in leggings, jeans or jogging bottoms** as these are not acceptable for school. During the first week back after Easter we will be making contact with any parents of pupils in incorrect uniform to discuss how the situation can be rectified and pupils will, unfortunately, receive behaviour points. Non-uniform hoodies and sweatshirts will also be confiscated from pupils so please ensure that pupils are not bringing them to school.

If you are currently experiencing financial difficulties and will struggle to source correct uniform, please contact your child's Head of Learning (email addresses are on school website) and we will do what we can to help. We would also be grateful for any donations of good condition out-grown uniform as this can be re-distributed to families who need it. Donations can be dropped off at reception any day during term time.

Yours sincerely

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