



THE BISHOP OF HEREFORD'S BLUECOAT SCHOOL

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Dear Parents and Carers

As we approach the end of term and following my letter in February, I am writing to remind you about the changes to our uniform from September 2023.

We have taken the decision, due to low stock levels and to keep our uniform consistent to introduce the new PE kit, skirt and tie to the current Year 8 and Year 9 students. We are giving all parents and carers plenty of notice to help with your planning of replacing these items in time for September.

For our current Year 10 students we are introducing the new school skirt but the new PE Kit and tie will not be compulsory. We appreciate that these students will only have one year left at school and therefore for Year 10 parents you will be able to purchase one new school skirt from our school shop at 50% of the usual price. Please note that this discount is not available through the School Uniform Shop.

From September 2023 we will expect all students in years 8, 9 and 10 to have purchased the compulsory items relevant to their year group. Many families have already bought items due to lower stock levels in our existing PE kit items.

The PE Kit is available to purchase direct from Club Sport in town or on-line at www.clubsport.co.uk. Attached to this letter is a document detailing the compulsory PE items. All other items of uniform can be purchased directly from our school shop, details of which are on our web site, and the Uniform Shop in town. To order from our school shop please send your orders direct to schoolshop@bhbs.hereford.sch.uk we will then prepare your order and let you know when the items are ready for collection. We are able to take orders over the summer holidays with this email box being monitored intermittently over the summer. In addition, our School will be open on Monday 4th and Tuesday 5th September from 9.00am until 12.00pm.

To meet our expectations for appearance with school uniform, we have agreed with the suppliers to both our school shop and the Uniform Shop in Hereford that the minimum length for the skirt will be 20 inches. We have been advised that the Uniform Shop has been incorrectly supplied with a number of skirts which are 16 inches in length.

It is important to emphasize that the 16 inch skirt is too short to meet our expectations and will not be acceptable in September. We have therefore agreed with the Uniform Shop that anyone who has purchased a 16" skirt will be able to get a full refund from the Uniform Shop or swap to the standard 20" length skirt.

Whilst writing I would like to remind you about student footwear. Student footwear should be black but black trainers or canvas pumps are not permitted. All school shoes should be able to be polished.

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Thank you for your support in our uniform changes and if you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact us at head@bhbs.hereford.sch.uk

Kind regards



Martin Henton
Headteacher