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Dear Parent & Carers

On behalf of Trinity School, I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your support with regard to revised school uniform policy for this year. There has been a marked improvement in the 'look and feel' of our school and we believe this is beginning to make a difference in the classroom. It is clear that much less time is spent dealing with uniform issues and therefore more on learning. Our observations do indeed support the research which suggests that having a formal uniform can help to promote an ethos of high standards, high expectations and achievement; all of which are very much in keeping with our vision for learners at Trinity School.

We have already responded to feedback on our tighter regulations, for example more lockers will be in place for jackets from Easter. We are aware that some parents would like us to offer more specific guidance regarding uniform choices so that there is greater clarity about what is allowed and what is not. It is also apparent that there are aspects of our current Uniform Policy which do not sit comfortably with Equality legislation.

We have decided therefore to further revise uniform expectations for the 2015/16 academic year as follows:

1. Clip on school tie for all girls (these will be provided free of charge to girls in current years 7-10)
2. For girls, a white collared shirt capable of being worn with a tie.
3. An additional 'flash' of colour to add to V neck jumpers, denoting membership to year 11 and to serve as an exit pass at lunch times. NB. All students will wear V neck jumpers through the Years 7 – 11 school and Year 10 students will not change to round neck sweatshirts in Year 10. **This applies to the current Year 10.**
4. A specified range of skirts, trousers and shoes.

We are working with the local uniform shop and also an online ordering system to make the purchase of school recommended uniform simple, straightforward and more cost effective. Of course items can be bought elsewhere as long as they fulfil the school stated criteria. We shall shortly be sending information regarding skirts, trousers and shoes with pictures of what is acceptable.

Thank you for taking the time to digest the contents of this letter. Should you have any questions, please do contact me at school.

Yours sincerely

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