

28th February 2017

Dear Parents/ Carers

UNIFORM CONSULTATION

We are currently reviewing our school uniform. As a school we are always looking at ways to improve and as part of this we wish to explore a number of changes.

School uniform is a strong and important part of the Hungerhill School identity. We have always had a clear dress code for students and wish to continue to do so. A school uniform gives a sense of pride and belonging ensuring equality amongst students. A smart appearance contributes positively to students' attitude to work and study; it also significantly influences how the school is portrayed to the general public.

We are, however, finding it increasingly difficult to maintain the high standards of the uniform we expect. In addition, parental feedback has highlighted problems they have encountered when trying to purchase trousers, skirts and bags which adhere to our policy. We are therefore looking to source our skirts and trousers from a single supplier in a range of sizes and fittings. We are also considering the introduction of a standard school bag. Care would be taken to ensure that the uniform represents value for money and is of quality. Finally, we are also looking to introduce a school blazer for the current Year 6 students to wear when they arrive with us from September 2017. For other year groups it will be an optional extra until September 2018 when all students would be expected to wear one with the exception of Year 11.

To move to a specified pair of trousers and skirt will, we feel, provide greater consistency whilst removing the challenge and arguments that parents/ carers face from their children about purchasing inappropriate wear.

As part of the introduction of a school House System, we have already informally consulted with our School Council on the introduction of a school blazer but now wish to extend the consultation to all students, parents, staff and governors. The blazer would not replace the school jumper although students would be able to wear one without a jumper. The cost of the blazer would cost approximately £25.



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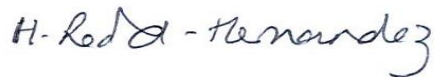
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We are very interested in your views. We have already had some discussion with our Parent Advisory Group and we will continue to use this forum to discuss the proposals. We are interested in your views and should you wish to contribute to the consultation, please complete the questionnaire below. The consultation will end on Friday 17 March 2017, after which the Governing Body will collate all responses and make a decision.


I would be grateful if completed forms could be returned to your respective primary school so that they can be collated and returned to us by Monday 13 March 2017.

Yours sincerely



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1. Do you think a blazer would enhance the school uniform?

Yes No Don't Know


Any comments:

2. Do you agree that sourcing uniform e.g. trousers and skirts from a limited number of suppliers would improve consistency with the smart appearance of our students?

Yes No Don't Know

Any comments:



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3. Would introducing a standard, practical and appropriately sized bag contribute positively to students' work and personal organisation?

Yes

No

Don't Know

Any comments:

Name of Student: _____

Primary School Attending: _____



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