

Dear Families,

Uniform Consultation Results

I am writing to update you regarding the results of our recent uniform consultation, which received 66 parent responses from our school community. It is clear that the vast majority of parents (93%) agree that having a school uniform is important. The responses highlighted that a uniform promotes a sense of pride in the school and helps children feel equal to their peers in terms of appearance. Parents also noted that uniform should be practical and smart and that cost is an important factor.

Regarding the specific uniform items, 68% of respondents thought that a blue t-shirt or shirt is more practical for cleaning, as white t-shirts can show stains more easily. Additionally, 86% of parents agreed that a jumper or cardigan with the school's logo branding is an appropriate item for our pupils to wear.

Furthermore, 97% of parents agreed that wearing PE kit on the day that pupil's have a PE lesson is practical and beneficial, as it avoids the need to change at school saving time and helps with home organisation.

Important Update on School Uniform Policy

Following the consultation I would like to inform you about some important changes in our school uniform policy, which will be implemented from the start of the next academic year, September 2025.

This decision has been made after careful consideration and consultation with pupils, parents, staff and governors. We have also reviewed and considered all your suggestions and made some amendments.

Reasons for the Change

As outlined in our proposal, the key reasons for updating the school uniform are as follows:

Uniformity and School identity: Having a uniform helps to enhance a sense of belonging and pride among pupils. We have moved to Bishop Chadwick Education Trust and our logo has been updated.

Practicality and Comfort: The updated uniform has been designed to be comfortable and practical for daily wear, active play and comfort.

Inclusivity: We aim to ensure that the new uniform is inclusive in terms of cost that allows children to feel comfortable and represented.

Cost-Effectiveness: We have also considered the cost of uniform, ensuring it is affordable and accessible for all families.

Details of the New Uniform

Below are the details of the uniform, which will be required for all pupils from September 2025.

Uniform 2025-2026	
Pale blue polo shirt or shirt 	These can be purchased from supermarkets or logo optional.
Navy blue V-neck jumper with updated school logo	These can be purchased through Emblematic from May.

• Plain navy V-neck jumper none branded	These can be purchased from supermarkets.
Grey bottoms- shorts, trousers, skirts (not black / joggers)	These can purchased from supermarkets.
• Grey or white socks or tights	These can purchased from supermarkets.
Gold and navy tie for KS2 pupils (optional)	These can be purchased from Emblematic from May.
Black sensible school shoes – no trainers/trainer type shoes (black for P.E)	Boots may be worn during inclement weather but should be changed when indoors.

In the Summer Term there is also the option to wear a blue and white gingham dress.

The PE kit will remain the same for 2025-2026 and can be worn on a child's PE days.

Transition

The next academic year (2025 – 2026) will be a transition year, where pupils can wear the new or the old sweatshirt with current badge.

May / June 2025: The new jumpers can be ordered from the Emblematic – we will let you know once the stock has arrived and when you are able to order. They will no longer sell the current sweatshirts.

September 2025 – July 2026: There will be a transition uniform where pupils can wear a hybrid of the old and new sweatshirt. Other uniform items must be worn e.g. blue t-shirt, grey bottoms.

September 2026: All pupils must be wearing the new school uniform.

Support for Families

We understand that purchasing uniform can be an additional financial burden for some families. If you require support, please contact the school office to discuss financial assistance options. We are committed to ensuring that all students have access to uniform without financial hardship.

Thank you for your continued support and cooperation in this important change. I would like to thank all of you who took the time to provide your valuable feedback. The responses have been extremely helpful in informing our decisions about the school's uniform policy going forward.

Yours sincerely,

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Headteacher