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Dear Parent

School Uniform Update - September 2020

As you are aware, in order to keep all our students and staff as safe as we possibly can during the current pandemic, we always adhere strictly to the regularly updated guidance for schools from both the Department for Education (DfE) and Public Health England (PHE).

In line with the most recent guidance regarding keeping schools warm during the winter months when the school heating systems will be operating in full, the school will still have to maintain fresh air circulation by having windows and internal doors open at all times.

The Trust has reviewed this guidance and the impact it will have on students across the school day, and the decision has been made that during periods of extreme weather, students and staff will be able to wear their coats and fingerless gloves within lesson time.

Staff will inform students when the weather is such that they are able to wear their coats and gloves and although we do not expect this to happen very often, the health and safety and wellbeing of our students and staff remain paramount during these difficult times

Please can I remind parents that we do have a uniform policy and coats must be dark in colour and have no logos on them. Students also have the option to wear a school jumper under their blazer if they so wish. If students are granted permission to wear their coats at any permitted time they must also be wearing their blazer.

We also have relaxed our usual procedure so that coats do not need to be removed on entry into school buildings.

If anyone has any further concerns regarding this update, please do not hesitate to contact school via our enquiries email enquiries@whs.lancs.sch.uk.

Yours sincerely,

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