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Dear Parents/Carers,

As a school we are constantly striving to raise the standards of our young people to ensure that they are responsible and valued members of the school and wider community. As such, we would like to re-emphasise the standard of uniform after the half-term break.

Werneth School has a uniform policy as smart standards of uniform translate to good behaviour and high standards of achievement. It also helps to reduce bullying and takes pressure off families to buy fashion items for school. We therefore expect that students will not only wear the correct uniform, but also wear it properly at all times; on the way to and from school and during the school day. To support this, after the half-term break, any student arriving to school without the correct uniform will be challenged and spare uniform will be given to those students not in full uniform. Students who dress smartly and correctly will be recognised and rewarded.

With this in mind, I ask you to ensure that your child arrives, each day, in the appropriate uniform. To support you with this, a copy of the school's uniform policy is attached to this letter which details the items of uniform that are accepted at Werneth School. Parents whose children are in receipt of free school meals and may struggle to purchase any items of uniform, can seek support from their child's Year Inclusion Manager.

As a school, we conducted a parent, staff and student voice activity at the end of the last academic year. From this, we will be implementing **two** changes to the uniform which will come into effect fully in September of this year. The first change will be a change to the skirt, from the current skirt to a drop-down knife-pleated style skirt. The second change is that the school jumper will become an optional garment for students to wear in recognition of how warm the school building can be. Due to these changes and in recognition of the costs that parents will incur, we will be running a transition period from February until September where students can wear either skirt.

Parents/Carers should pay particular attention to the following areas:

### Shoes

These must be plain black **shoes (not trainers)** and below the ankle. We do not allow black shoes with coloured markings or white stripes around the sole. We do not expect you to buy expensive shoes for your child and please do not bow to child pressure to buy labelled footwear which are not necessary at all. We need parents/carers to support us in this. We are currently operating a shoe exchange system which means that if your child does not arrive in plain black footwear below the ankle, they will be asked to exchange their footwear for the day and wear our school shoes in their size. **This is non-negotiable.**

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### **Socks and Tights**

These should be plain black.

### **Hair**

Hair colour must be natural. We do not allow unnatural hair colours of any type either part or full head. Shaved pattern styles are not permitted.

### **Jewellery and Piercings**

Jewellery permitted within school is a wristwatch and a small pair of studded earrings. Facial piercings are not allowed at all.

We appreciate school uniform can be a burden on our families but it exists for the purpose of consistency, loyalty to the school and equality. Please support our school in ensuring your child conforms to all aspects of our uniform policy and send your child back to us after the half term in perfect Werneth uniform.

Yours sincerely,

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Dan Willis  
Assistant Headteacher



## Appearance

Students at Werneth School wear uniform and have a code of appearance. All uniform and PE/Expressive Arts Kit requirements are obtainable from our suppliers, Monkhouses and Bonnie Bouncer. School uniform is worn for visits, which take place during the school day, but this regulation is waived when other clothing is more appropriate, e.g. on Geography Field Study visits, at college or work placements. For visits outside school hours, students are asked to present themselves suitably dressed for the particular occasion.

### Acceptable Footwear - Plain Black



### Not Acceptable Footwear

