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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 for the new school year.

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.

Students who dress smartly and correctly will be recognised and rewarded. Students who wear incorrect uniform will receive a behaviour log and in many instances be provided with the correct uniform.

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 the Year Inclusion Manager.

As a school we implemented two changes to our uniform at the beginning of this academic year. We introduced a new drop-down knife pleated style skirt and we made the school jumper an optional garment for students to wear in recognition of how warm the school building can be. These changes will still be in effect during the next academic year.

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

Shoes:

These must be plain black shoes (not trainers or canvas shoes) 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. Please be aware that we do not accept sports branded shoes. These brands include Adidas, Nike (including Nike Air Force), Puma, Reebok, New Balance, Umbro, Mallets, Fila. (This is not an exhaustive list). If you are unsure as to whether a pair of shoes fits this criteria, please contact school before purchasing them. This is non-negotiable.

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 one small pair of studded earrings. No hooped earrings are permitted. Facial piercings are not allowed at all. Piercing - completely clear only. no septum piercings allowed at all. not permitted.

Nails and facial piercings

False nails of any description are not permitted within school. This includes acrylic and gel nails. Nail varnish is not permitted within school unless clear or nude colour. Nose piercings are not accepted at Werneth school. If a child needs to wear a nose accessory to ensure the piercing doesn't close this must be a clear stud. If your child does not wish to wear a clear stud please give time over summer for nose piercings to heal and do not book appointments for new piercings as students will be asked to remove any piercing that is not a clear stud. Please do not book nail appointments prior to the return to school and please arrange the removal of any false nails before students return to school.

School Bags

School bags are an essential piece of our school uniform. It allows our students to have somewhere to store their belongings including outdoor jackets, pe kit, equipment, mobile phones and homework. All students should arrive at school with a school bag that is able to fit an A4 file in it.

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.

Regards

Lauren Taylor Assistant Headteacher

Item	
	Girls
Blazer	Black with school logo.
Jumper	Red with school logo. (optional)
Trousers / Skirt	Black pleated skirt or black tailored school trousers Black 2.5" stitch-down knife pleated style.
Shirt / Blouse	White school shirt, either short sleeved or long sleeved.
Tie	School tie only, must be worn correctly and tied to the top of the collar. The length of the tie should be 5 stripes.
Shoes	Black plain footwear below the ankle bone. No sports brands (SEE ADDITIONAL GUIDANCE WITHIN THE LETTER)
Socks / Tights	Black socks worn below the knee or black tights.
Jewellery	Only a wrist watch and one pair of studded earrings worn in the ear lobes are permitted. No facial piercings, ear spacers, stretchers or tunnels.
Bag	Strong waterproof bag, no handbags. The bag needs to be large enough to hold an A4 file.
Equipment	All students need appropriate equipment for learning, including a pen, pencil and ruler. They will need subject specific equipment such as a scientific calculator for Maths.
Make-up	All years – Discreet
Nail varnish/false nails	None. False/gel/acrylic nails are not permitted.
Hair	No extreme hair styles, such as shaved, patterned style or unnatural colours. Head scarfs are permitted to be worn for religious purposes. Headscarves must be plain black.
Outdoor Wear	A coat. (Not to be worn in the school buildings). No scarves or gloves in the school buildings. No hooded tops, sweatshirts, denim or leather coats.
PE Kit	Footwear: trainers with moulded sole, football boots (screw in studs recommended for team players).
	Clothing: red and black reversible rugby shirt. Red polo shirt, optional black sweatshirt, black shorts, red socks. Optional black tracksuit trousers.
Dance Kit	Black T-shirt with Expressive Arts' logo. Black tracksuit trousers or black sorts (as PE kit). Bare feet for Dance. Alternatively students can wear their PE kit.
Suppliers	Monkhouse Schoolwear, 217 Chestergate, Stockport. http://www.monkhouse.com/categor y/223/Werneth School Bonnie Bouncer, Stockport Road, Bredbury.

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.



