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Dear parents and carers

## **School Uniform Update**

Since reintroducing the Head of Key Stage posts, we have been reviewing various aspects of school life. As part of that we have noticed that there has been a decline in the standard of our school uniform since the pandemic. After half-term, our Year 9 students move into key stage 4, and our Year 10 start wearing blue jumpers. So, as we head towards the summer holidays, we would like to remind everyone in the Fairfield family about our uniform policy. The clothes item that is significantly below the 'Fairfield Standard' is the school skirt. We have many students across all year groups wearing skirts that are too short, rolled up and the wrong material. Our uniform policy states:

"Plain black tailored trousers OR plain black tailored skirt, either A-line or with large box pleats, knee length. These should have no adornment – (e.g., studs/external zip, etc.) though a plain black narrow belt may be worn if necessary. The following styles are specifically NOT acceptable for either trousers or skirts: Cords, jeans/jeans style, Lycra, stretch, skinny, capri, tapered ankle, leggings, jeggings, tight miniskirts, skater style, small pleats."

If your child would like to wear a skirt to school, please can we ask that you ensure that it follows the policy by half term (Friday May 24th). If your child fails to be in the correct uniform, we will initially issue a break time detention and a letter home requesting improvement. No improvement will then lead to a lunchtime detention, a second letter home and a requirement to wear one of the skirts we stock in school. Students who find it difficult to get the correct skirt will be lent one from our stock until they get one that meets our standards – or one that they wear properly all the time. From September, further failure to meet our uniform policy may lead to more serious sanctions issued by the Senior Leadership Team.

For further information, our governor approved school uniform policy can be found in full on our school website by following the link below: -

https://www.fairfield.hereford.sch.uk/page/?title=Uniform+and+Equipment&pid=39

You will also see a PTA advert offering high quality secondhand uniform if you wanted a more environmentally friendly or low financial impact option.

The following links would be suitable options and meet our uniform policy if worn correctly.

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Thank you in advance for ensuring your child meets our uniform policy. We very much appreciate your support on the matter.

Yours sincerely,

Vicky Harold Head of Key Stage 3 Nathan Jarrold Head of Key Stage 4





