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Oldbury Wells

Dear Parent/Guardian

## **Uniform requirements**

As we reach the end of term, I would like to take the opportunity to thank you for your support this year in sending your child/children to school in the correct uniform, dress code and appearance. This really makes a difference as it ensures we can focus our conversations on learning rather than spending time on challenging incorrect uniform.

Uniform is an important part of a school's identity. It reinforces who we are as a community and helps allow students to feel pride in their school. It also helps prepare students for life after school where many will have to dress smartly for work.

With the summer holidays fast approaching and the 'back to school' promotions already in the shops, it seems an ideal time to remind you of our uniform expectations to avoid any awkward conversations at the start of the new academic year. All required branded uniform can be purchased from one of our three suppliers. The details of these can be found at the end of the letter.

All other uniform can be purchased from any high street or online retailer but must conform to our uniform policy. To avoid doubt and support you in deciding whether items of clothing are suitable or not, we have provided the attached examples sheet, showing acceptable and non-acceptable uniform. **Please use this for reference when purchasing uniform items for your child.** 

Please do note that we will be strictly enforcing the uniform policy when we return after the summer, with zero tolerance of infringements. In taking this approach, we are seeking your support to ensure a consistent approach to all students. Where pupils arrive in incorrect uniform or appearance, you will be informed so that you can support us in rectifying any issues if they arise. If you are unsure whether a piece of uniform is acceptable or if there are any extenuating circumstances, which mean you are unable to meet the uniform requirements, please consult your child's Head of Key Stage before sending your child to school:

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Year 9 Mrs Lawson becky.lawson@oldburywells.com

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## Uniform guidance when shopping:

The uniform policy is available on the website for further reference (https://www.oldburywells.com/media/30659/uniform-policy-sept-2021.pdf), but please see the additional guidance below to help you when purchasing unbranded items of uniform:

**Skirts** – standard mid- grey skirt. To be worn no shorter than two inches above the knee (see below)



Stretchy, elasticated, lycra skirts are **prohibited** (see below).



**Trousers** – should be formal, mid grey, full length and either regular or tailored fit (see below)



Jeans, tracksuit bottoms, cropped trousers, chinos, leggings, or skinny fit trousers are **prohibited** (see below)



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**Shoes** – plain black **polishable** leather or simulated leather, please see examples.



No boots, canvas shoes or trainer style shoes are permitted. No branded sports makes including (but not limited to) Nike, Adidas, Reebok, Converse, Stan Smiths and Vans. Please see below examples of **prohibited shoes**:



Socks – plain black, white or grey, no trainer socks.
Tights – plain black no patterns.
Coat – A black or grey waterproof coat.
Hoodies and Sweatshirts are prohibited from school

We have set up a second-hand uniform shop in school. If you have any clean unwanted uniform items that are in good condition and you are able to support this, please could you bring these items to the East Office. Should you require any support with uniform again we would ask you to contact your child's head of year.

Thank you in anticipation.

Yours sincerely

Mrs K Warner Assistant Headteacher

## School uniform suppliers

BRISTOWS SPORTS AND LEISURE 157 Victoria Road, Bridgnorth, WV16 4LL Tel: 01746 761701 Email: <u>bsleisure@aol.com</u>

Website: www.schoolwearfactory.co.uk

**RON FLOWER SPORTS** 28 Queen Street, Wolverhampton, WV1 3JW **Tel:** 01902 429490 **Email:** <u>sales@ronflowerssports.com</u>

Website: www.ronflowerssports.com

**STITCHES OF BRIDGNORTH** Roshan House, Holybush Road, Bridgnorth, WV16 4AY

**Tel:** 01746 761177 **Email**: <u>info@stitchesofbridgnorth.co.uk</u> **website**: <u>www.stitchesofbridgnorth.co.uk</u>

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