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Dear Parent,

Thank you for your continued support in ensuring a smooth start to the new session. It has been a pleasure to welcome over 850 pupils back and to continue supporting them in their development.

Last week, I met with all pupils through a series of assemblies to deliver a clear message: grasp every opportunity available, give 100%, show resilience and grit, and, through all of this, live our school values in both words and actions. I also emphasised the importance of good timekeeping and attendance as key factors for success.

I was delighted to see this message reflected in action across various classes during my visits and through conversations with teachers.

I would also like to thank you for your continued support with **school uniform**. Our high standards of uniform help create a strong sense of pride and belonging within our community. They reinforce our shared identity and allow pupils to feel proud of their school. In addition, a smart dress code prepares young people for life beyond school, where many workplaces expect professional attire.

These high standards have also been recognised beyond the school. Members of our wider community, including local businesses such as the Malcolm Group and DWF Lawyers, have commented positively on the smart appearance of our pupils—helping us build strong links with these organisations.

I am also very much of the view that our exceptionally high uniform standards coincide with our increasingly upward trend in attainment.

Blazer Swap

To further support families and maintain these high standards, we have introduced a **blazer swap system**, allowing pupils who need a larger size (throughout the year) to simply exchange their current blazer at **no cost**. Pupils should report to the office.



PE Kit

One area I would like to highlight is **PE kit**. Please support us by ensuring your child wears the designated kit or, as an alternative, a plain, non-branded blue T-shirt, which can be purchased easily and affordably online. This again helps remove any pressure to buy expensive branded sportswear.

Official T shirt (Link) - [School wear made easy](#)

Alternative (unbranded) examples (Links)

[Option 1](#)

[Option 2](#)

[Option 3](#)



Donations

We would greatly appreciate any good quality school uniform items your child no longer uses—such as trousers, jumpers, or PE kit—that could benefit other pupils. Donations can be handed in at the school office.

Thank you once again for your continued support as we work together to maintain high standards for all of our young people

Yours sincerely,

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