

All Hallows RC High School

Specialising in Business, Enterprise & Sports

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Dear Parent/Guardian

As shops start to reopen you may be starting to think about purchasing uniform for September. We would therefore like to make a timely reminder about our clear uniform policy;

School uniform consists of:-

- School blazer
- School jumper
- School tie

The above items can all be purchased from Whittakers, Swinton

- White school shirt
- Black **knee length** pleated skirt / black **tailored** trousers.
- Plain Black or white ankle socks or plain black tights
- Plain black **school** shoes no trainers / canvas / sports shoes

We do not want you to have any unnecessary expense buying items that would not be acceptable for school, this can be costly. Therefore we have provided further information below.

Information on skirts

Please ensure that if you are purchasing a **skirt** that it is the correct length. As you are aware we have a number of stairs in school and we want to ensure that pupils are protecting themselves and others by avoiding any inappropriate viewing that can occur when skirts are too short. When purchasing a skirt please ensure that the skirt fits on the waistline so that correct length of skirt is maintained throughout the day.

Information on trousers

Please ensure that when purchasing **trousers** that they are **tailored**. Skinny fit, black denim or elastane trousers are <u>not permitted</u>. Please be aware that some shops are branding these types of trousers as a school trouser to increase sales as pupils view these as more fashionable. These will not be accepted as school trousers at All Hallows.

<u>Information on footwear</u>

We are very clear about our footwear policy and we use the term <u>plain</u>, <u>black</u>, <u>school</u> shoes as it is very simple to understand. Please do not allow your son/daughter to convince you that an expensive, fashion brand is acceptable. Shoes that are made by a sports brand will not be accepted even if they are being marketed as a school shoe in shops such as Footlocker, Footasylum etc.

Any school shoes that are purchased must be <u>plain black</u> and should not have any accessories attached. Please note that any shoe that have accessories attached including Vivienne Westwood shoes will not be accepted as a school shoe. We aim to keep our uniform affordable and therefore do not want pupils wearing expensive branded shoes. Acceptable styles, for example, for girls include, the Kickers plain black shoes (plain leather or patent) which are smart and practical.

School coats

In colder weather, a plain blue or black coat may be worn over the full uniform. We <u>will not</u> accept tracksuit tops or hooded tops to be worn under or over the school uniform.

<u>Jewellery</u>

This must be limited to a watch and a pair of <u>small plain</u> studs or hoops in the lower ear. These are the <u>only</u> piercings which are allowed.

Hair

This must be conservative in style and colour. All hair styles should be one natural hair colour.

Hair accessories such as bands, bobbles or clips must be plain navy blue or black.

For short hair styles we insist that the shortest cut is a grade 2 blade. We do not accept tracking or tram lines in hair.

Make up should not be worn

This includes;

Any type of nail varnish

Acrylic nails

False eyelashes

False Tan

Pupils may wear a small amount of concealer as long as it is **<u>subtle</u>**, particularly to address blemishes or skin issues about which children may feel self-conscious.

Bags

All pupils must bring a school bag which must be large enough to carry an A4 folder, exercise books, planner and pencil case.

Ordering Uniform

All school uniform can be purchased from Whittakers. Please note that during these times you purchase items online, or alternatively you make an appointment online to visit the shop. Please see the letter attached.

For further details on our uniform policy please visit our school website. If you have any questions regarding uniform please contact Reception or email studentservices@allhallowsrc.co.uk

We are very proud of our pupils and they wear their uniform with pride. We would like to thank all our families for conforming and supporting our clear uniform policy.

Yours sincerely

The All Hallows Senior Leadership Team