



25<sup>th</sup> June 2021

## Changes to School Uniform Policy

Dear Parent/Carer,

I hope you are looking forward to spending some much needed quality time over the coming summer period with your children and family and friends. It has been a turbulent 18 months to say the least and I think you will agree we all deserve to have a wonderful summer break.

As we look ahead to the coming academic year, I am writing to draw your attention to some important updates to our school uniform policy. We are going to be continuing with the year group colour ties from September 2021 onwards, this means that you do not need to purchase a new tie each year your child moves up a cohort as they will keep their existing one. Please see below for a breakdown of the year tie colours for 2021/2022. For new Year 7 students, the school will be selling ties and will be in touch before the summer break to arrange purchase and collection days/times. Replacement ties for lost or damaged items will also be available from school at a cost of £3.40. These are also available from Bakers but will be at retail price (£5.50).

Year 7	Royal Blue
Year 8	Purple
Year 9	Navy Blue
Year 10	Green
Year 11	Maroon

There are two other changes I would like to inform you of. Firstly, we would like to request that students only use a black rucksack (non-offensive logos are allowed) to fit A4 workbook. Handbags will no longer be acceptable. The reason for this is because they are unsuitable for the volume of books etc. that students are expected to have. If there are problems with purchasing a school bag, do contact us and we can support with selection.

Lastly, we have changed the design of skirts that can be worn, they will now be a 'box pleated' style and this must be knee length. The reason for this is because the straight lycra skirts worn by some are generally too short and not appropriate for school. This will be the only acceptable skirt from September 2021 onwards. However, there are no changes to our policy in relation to trousers as an alternative option. The updated skirt is available from Baker & Sons in Wellington at a cost range of £14.60 - £17.50 (brand – David Luke), however they are also available from Asda (pack of 2) between £11.00-£13.00. We have checked samples from both suppliers and they are an appropriate length and style. Therefore, we would request that you purchase from these suppliers direct.

We wanted to give you ample notice of these changes before you purchase any new uniform for your children. We appreciate that we have all been through challenging times of late and we hope the changes made are of minimal impact to you. As always, we are willing to support if needed, so please do contact your child's Head of Year (contact details can be found on our website) to discuss whether you are eligible to receive any financial support.





Full details can be found in the School Uniform Policy available on our website. If you would like to request a hard copy of this policy, please contact [info@telfordprioryschool.co.uk](mailto:info@telfordprioryschool.co.uk).

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Stacey Jordan'.

Stacey Jordan  
**Headteacher**