

# Holsworthy C of E Primary School

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Dear parents

# **Re: Important Update on School Uniform Policy**

We are writing to inform you about an important change in our school uniform policy, which will be implemented from the start of the next academic term. This decision has been made after careful consideration and consultation with students, parents, staff and governors. Thank you to everyone who completed the consultation – we received a very positive 87% saying yes to the proposal. We have also reviewed and considered all your suggestions and made some amendments.

### **Reasons for the Change**

As outlined in our proposal, the key reasons for updating the school uniform are as follows: Uniformity and School Identity: Having a uniform helps to enhance a sense of belonging and pride among students.

Practicality and Comfort: The updated uniform has been designed to be more comfortable and practical for daily wear, active play and comfort.

Inclusivity: We aim to ensure that the new uniform is inclusive in terms of cost as well as a single uniform across our school; allowing all students to feel comfortable and represented. Cost-Effectiveness: We have also considered the cost of the new uniform, ensuring it is affordable and accessible for all families.

#### **Details of the New Uniform**

Below are the details of the new uniform, which will be required for all students from September 2025.

**Pale blue polo shirt** – we will keep a stock of these in school, but they can also be purchased from supermarkets.

**Navy blue sweatshirt with logo** – these can be purchased through the school office. **Black bottoms** - shorts, leggings, jogging-bottoms or linen trousers

**Trainers** – these need to be predominantly black

**Wellies** - The school can supply these, or these can be brought in from home.

**Optional waterproof trousers** – These can be purchased from the school office and spares will be kept in school.

The PE kit is the same as the school uniform. We would recommend for pupils in KS2 to bring a change of clothes in a PE bag to leave on their peg, for hygiene reasons and/or in case they get wet during outside PE.

## **Implementation Timeline**

To ensure a smooth transition, we have established the following timeline:



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The next academic year (2024 – 2025) will be a transition year, where pupils can wear the new or the old uniform, or a hybrid.

July 2024: the new jumpers can be ordered from the School Office – **we will let you know once the stock has arrived and when you are able to order on Parentmail.** September 4<sup>th</sup>: the school will be open to collect any jumpers or waterproof trousers for orders that weren't fulfilled before the end of term.

September 2024 – July 2025: There will be a transition uniform where pupils can wear a hybrid of the old and new uniform.

September 2025: All pupils must be wearing the new school uniform.

### Support for Families

We understand that purchasing new uniforms can be an additional financial burden for some families. If you require support, please contact the school office to discuss financial assistance options. We are committed to ensuring that all students have access to the new uniform without financial hardship.

For the remainder of this term, as we are now in the summer months, we are happy for KS2 pupils to remove their ties and open the top buttons of their shirts.

Thank you for your continued support and cooperation in this important change.

Yours sincerely,

Miss Amy Frost

Interim-Headteachers