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Dear Parent/ Carer,

UNIFORM

As you know, post-pandemic, students have been able to come to school on P.E. Days, wearing their P.E. kits.

This has had several benefits:

- more time for P.E. rather than spending time changing;
- fewer worries for some students no changing with other people around;
- better hygiene the P.E. kits are washed each week.

However, we need your help.

The P.E. kit should consist of:

• plain navy, dark grey or black tracksuit and/or shorts, with a plain white T-shirt, and dark, sensible footwear.

Some students have come to school in clothes other than what is required.

Our uniform was chosen to support parents' budget so that:

- branded items were discouraged;
- clothes would be easily and cheaply purchased;
- P.E. stains would not be so noticeable;
- Uniform would be 'hardy', comfortable, and safe.

We also created a 'nearly new stock' of clothes that have been laundered and we sell for £1 per item. Please contact the office team or our Learning & Wellbeing Mentors if you would like to purchase.

Indoor P.E.

Additionally, if students wear zipped or hooded tops, they will be asked to remove these. Excessively baggy tracksuit bottoms are also not suitable and, generally, students remove their shoes and socks.

Earrings

Students should remove stud earrings at home on their P.E. / swimming day(s).

Clubs/ Matches

Where sporting clubs or matches occur, students should still attend in school uniform, and then change prior to the club or the match commencing.

Other Uniform requirements:

- jade or navy sweatshirts/ cardigans (navy sweatshirt is available in most stores);
- jade, navy, or white polo-shirts (navy and white polos are available in most stores);
- plain navy, dark grey, or black trousers (not 'jean style', 'skinny trousers', or denim), or modest length shorts or skirts;
- jade or blue-check summer dresses;

- plain, dark, sensible footwear not trainers with coloured markings (.e. white lines, white soles, Nike swooshes etc.), open-toed, sling-backs, or high-heels;
- for art activities: a smock or modified adult's shirt or an apron

Also, we <u>do not allow</u> students to wear nail varnish, jewellery (other than stud earrings), or make-up during the school day.

If a student is in the wrong uniform, we will contact parents to establish why this is the case, and agree a timescale for it to be rectified.

Many thanks for your continued support and helping to keep our community looking smart, being safe, and feeling comfortable – and on a small budget.

We have much to be proud of at Crosshall Junior School.

Anne Eardley Head Teacher