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Dear Parents/Carers,

### **School uniform expectations – September 2022**

Following a full review of our School Uniform Policy, please find attached a copy of the governor-approved school uniform expectations, which will apply from September 2022.

Although the *presentation* of the uniform list *looks* very different, only a very small number of adjustments have been made, to only a very small number of uniform items. The changes made are limited to some additional options being applied for school-logo branded items following our consultation with parents/carers (to ensure these items are affordable and accessible for all families). You will also see that gender bias is to be removed from our main school uniform policy (see uniform list for Years 1-6) – this will allow a choice of school trousers for girls if preferred.

It continues to be noted that a small number of pupils are not arriving at school in the correct or full school uniform, and/or are wearing incorrect PE uniform. We have continued to allow some flexibilities across this academic year, in recognition of the problems that the pandemic caused/the rising cost of living and some financial worries for some families. However, we are now sending out a timely reminder to all parents/carers of our school uniform expectations, to give extended notice before the new academic year, and to allow parents/carers to purchase the correct and appropriate clothing/footwear in preparation for September 2022 to assure that all pupils are fully compliant with the school's uniform expectations, including PE kits, from the beginning of the new academic year.

You will see that we have added some additional information/guidance within the uniform list provided – which we hope will provide the necessary detail to ensure correct and appropriate items will be in place for all pupils. We hope that this will help to minimise the risk of parents/carers mistakenly purchasing incorrect items. We have seen an increasing number of non-compliant clothing/footwear items in school across this academic year (e.g trainers being worn instead of shoes, leggings being worn for PE rather than jogging bottoms, styles of PE shorts being worn for PE which are not deemed to be appropriate for school PE). Therefore, we would ask all parents/carers to review the uniform list carefully so that correct uniform items can be in place for all pupils from September. If you require any further advice on any particular uniform item, please visit our uniform suppliers or contact the school office. We are grateful for your support with this.

A uniform fosters a pride in the school and a positive means of helping children feel part of our school community. We look forward to your on-going support of this important aspect of our school, helping the children to take pride in belonging to Sacred Heart School, and the part our school uniform plays in this.

Yours sincerely,

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