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Dear Parents,

I am writing at the end of this year to set out clear expectations for the coming year. We have had a number of pupils not wearing correct uniform this year repeatedly. If your child is attending St. Nicholas, it is an expectation that they are dressed according to the uniform policy agreed by the Governing Board. We do not insist on specific brands of sweatshirts and are happy with plain supermarket items as we appreciate costs of badged uniform is high.

This is a list of the correct uniform.

Day to day uniform

Navy sweatshirt or cardigan

White or blue polo shirt

Grey trousers/ shorts or skirt/pinafore

Black sensible shoes – Children who are not wearing shoes will be asked to wear their PE pumps. Children who don't have pumps will be able to borrow a pair of general use ones we are going to purchase for this purpose.

White and blue checked dress (Summer only)

Please note that skirts and trousers should be grey and leggings are **not** part of the uniform list.

PE uniform – we ask that uniform is kept in school please. Both sets of uniform are needed.

Indoor kit

White T shirt

Navy or black shorts

Black pumps

Outdoor kit

Dark plain Tracksuit

Trainers

Another area for concern is attendance and punctuality. In school we plan for regular interventions for children who have gaps in their knowledge and skills but poor attendance is further impacting on their learning and the gaps are widening. It is VITAL that children are in school by **8:45 a.m. everyday** as some of these interventions take place as soon as they walk through the door. It is a legal requirement that children attend school. School make no apologies for adhering to our attendance policy in challenging poor attendance and punctuality. This includes telephone calls



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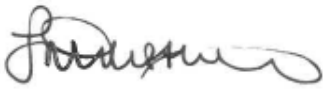
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and messages home and where there has been no response from these a home visit will take place and further to this, we will ask for a police welfare check if we haven't been able to make contact with you.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the majority of you who do promote excellent attendance and punctuality and adhere to the school uniform policy. I hope that the letter serves as a pat on the back for you and reassurance that I do have high standards at heart for the school which will be reinforced more consistently next year.

Thank you for your ongoing support.

Yours Sincerely,



J.M.THISTLETHWAITE
HEADTEACHER



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