

Dear Parent/Guardian

I am writing to advise you of a change in uniform which will come into effect from September 2019 for all female students.

While we have talked with students over a number of years and tried to ensure skirts are appropriate in terms of length, fashion appears to be dictating that the length of skirts are getting shorter rather than longer. As a result of this, I made the decision that we need to take the next step and introduce a school skirt which is comfortable, functional and of a reasonable length. It is important to the College that the girls can walk around the site without exposing more of their legs than is appropriate and also ensures that, as they come to and from College, they are not inadvertently attracting unwanted attention.

In recent weeks I have consulted with Governors, Staff and Students on which skirt style to replace the current school skirt with and overwhelmingly the vote has been for a tartan blue pleated skirt. You are able to view the student survey results on our website under latest news.

This skirt will replace the current grey school skirt from September 2019 for all year groups and is available to purchase in Skoolkit along with all of the College's other uniform. An alternative to the skirt for girls are tailored grey school trousers which can be purchased at Skoolkit or alternatively can be purchased online from Price & Buckland for which details will be sent out shortly. I accept that there is a small increased cost for the tartan skirt in comparison to the current grey skirt, hence the option of purchasing a grey school trouser online at a cost similar to that of the current grey skirt.

I would like to thank you for your continued support in upholding the College Uniform Policy.

Yours sincerely

Mrs S Bennett Headteacher