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Dear Parent/Carer

DUMFRIES HIGH SCHOOL UNIFORM 2023-2024

I write to you before the start of the summer holiday to clarify some areas in relation to the uniform requirements at Dumfries High School for next session. The vast majority of pupils wear our school uniform in line with the standards and expectations that we set. Unfortunately, this is not always the case and I would ask for your help and support to ensure we can continue to raise standards in this area allowing a more consistent approach to uniform amongst all of our pupils.

To allow all pupils at Dumfries High School to have a strong and consistent uniform, we require all parents and carers to work with us to support this.

It is widely recognised that a strong uniform helps to create a sense of belonging and identity, a culture of success and a positive ethos within a school; something we very much wish to build upon within Dumfries High School. A clear and distinctive uniform also helps to enhance the image of our school both within the local community and further afield as pupils represent the school at various events and activities locally, nationally and sometimes internationally.

Attached with this letter is a guideline to what the school uniform at Dumfries High School is; what it consists of and how it should be worn. It also details what is not acceptable as part of the uniform.

The school motto "*The Will Does it*" requires parents and carers, pupils and staff working in partnership to create a positive learning environment where pupils can strive for success and take great pride in their school. We firmly believe that having a high standard of uniform for all pupils across the school underpins this culture of success.

As a school, we are fully aware of issues around the cost of living and I appreciate that for some parents/carers this has brought additional pressures. School uniform should absolutely not be an expensive matter. Please contact us should you have any concerns so that we can work together to establish the standards and expectations that we have of everyone within our school community; uniform is an important part of this.

I would like to ask for your support with this once more to ensure the uniform that your child is wearing in August is in keeping with the uniform guidelines accompanying this letter. This will allow the new term to begin with a very positive start.

Thank you in advance for your support with this matter. Have a great summer.

Yours sincerely

Phil Cubbon
Headteacher