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Dear Parent/Carer

School Uniform and returning to a more expected approach

As we move towards the summer term, I would like to recognise the successes achieved so far in our return to college, the students have been a credit to themselves and you. When we return after the Easter break, we are eager to re-establish as many routines as possible, but this will be done with consideration to the ever-changing national picture, we will also be focusing on our standards and uniform.

Our standards and expectations have not changed in terms of the style of trousers, length of skirt and formal shoes that are required. The length of skirt is a particular issue at present - some of our students need to ensure their skirt is knee length, tailored and not body hugging. Uniform continues to play an important role in raising the level of professionalism that is expected from all, and we appreciate your continued support in this matter.

PE Kit

As from 12th April students will be required to wear uniform to college. Students will be able to get changed in the PE changing rooms as they normally would. If there are any changes to this expectation, then we will communicate this to you.

Our intention during the summer months is to follow the COVID guidance and keep our learning spaces well ventilated. I would like to reinforce the message that the **school blazer must be worn as the default** and not just the college plain black jumper. Blazers can be removed during lesson time and this is at the teacher's discretion; staff will be mindful and considerate of the temperatures in the rooms and will direct students accordingly.

Hands Face Space

I would like to remind you of our policy regarding face coverings - these are to be worn during the day (a small number of students are exempt from wearing face masks). Space and social distancing is also identified as a key component in keeping people safe. Students must continue to keep within their year group zones. We would also encourage students to not wait around for friends or congregate in groups at the end of the college day. Once dismissed students must make their way home promptly please.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding uniform, please contact the relevant senior tutor or House office. We will endeavour to work with you to ensure that all of our students are able to meet our high standards.

Thank you for your continued support in this matter and in helping us maintain a high standard and improve the aspirations and outcomes of every student at Ely College. For further details and guidance on school uniform please visit our website: <http://www.elycollege.com/uniformguide>

Yours faithfully

Lee Mawby
Vice Principal



ELY COLLEGE Uniform Fact Sheet 2020 vs

- Plain black skirt OR plain black full length tailored trouser
- Grey jacket with piping and school logo
- Plain white shirt with collar
- Plain black V neck knitted jumper (optional)
- House tie
- Black shoes

Skirts must be knee length in either A-line, Pleated, Box Pleat or Straight styles with black tights

Skirts purchased from Price and Buckland will meet the school's style expectations but it is important height is considered to ensure they are knee length

A warm waterproof jacket is needed during COVID, due to all lessons being outside.

Families eligible for pupil premium funding may request assistance with the purchase of a jacket (50%). Agreement must be obtained from your Senior Tutor and an order code obtained from the Finance Office (the code changes periodically).

Previously, we held stock of ties, purchased through House Offices (£5). Due to COVID these can now only be ordered via supplier.



- House PE top
- Plain black PE shorts
- Black PE fleece (optional from P&B)
- Black sports trouser (optional from P&B)



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Visit the school website for advice...

Which items **MUST** be purchased from the designated supplier?

- Grey jacket with piping & logo
- House tie / House PE top

Additional items which can be purchased from the designated supplier or high street:

- Black sports trouser with piping (optional)
- Black fleece with piping (optional)

Can the remaining items be purchased from any retailer on the high street?

Yes - These are the white shirt, black skirt, black trouser, black knitted jumper, black PE shorts & PE waterproof jacket during COVID

Our website offers additional guidance on which styles, lengths and materials are acceptable.



Ordering uniform from Price and Buckland

How do I place an order?

Parents must place orders online from the online shop that can be accessed via the Ely College website. Payment must be made by debit or credit card.

www.elycollege.com/uniform

How do I place an order if I don't have internet access?

Please contact your House Office or the Transition Lead for help. They can order online on your behalf to prevent delays.

Where will my order be delivered?

Orders can be delivered to either your home or work address for a charge of £3.95. Alternatively, orders can be delivered to school twice per week during term time only.



ELY COLLEGE vs 2020 Uniform Information

We ask that parents/ carers place uniform orders online with our chosen supplier.

Supplier: Price and Buckland
Benneworth Close
Huchnall
Nottingham
NG15 6EL

Customer Services: 0115 964 0827

Opening Times: Mon-Fri 9:30am to 6pm

Website: www.price-buckland.co.uk



Key Points when ordering uniform:

- Families eligible for pupil premium funding may request assistance with the purchase of the jacket (50%). Agreement must be obtained from your Senior Tutor and an order code obtained from the Finance Office (the code will be changed periodically).
- The only items that must be purchased from our designated supplier are;

House Tie

PE Top

Jacket

Optional PE Items

- We no longer hold a stock of ties on site. Due to COVID, ties can only be ordered via our supplier.
- There is a small stock of jackets that students can borrow if they have either forgotten or mislaid their jacket. These can be signed out from Reception and must be returned.
- Should parents wish to check jacket sizing before purchasing a new item, there are various sizes to try at Reception.
- Orders placed by parents can be delivered to school during term time only, they will be sent home with the student



ELY COLLEGE Uniform Winter Addendum

With a view to ensuring our uniform policy is fit for purpose and suits the needs and care of our students, Senior Leadership have reviewed the Winter uniform guidelines and would like to make the following 'Winter only' alterations.

In addition to all season plain black shoes, the Ely College uniform policy allows 'winter only' plain black ankle boots under trousers.

Suitable 'winter only' boots



Not appropriate for uniform



Due to COVID 19 & the need to keep PE outside even in the winter months, it is imperative that students bring appropriate wet weather clothing with them for their PE lessons.

We ask that this now includes a warm waterproof jacket (ideally plain blue or black in nature), along with a warm jumper/sweater.

All uniform policy information and guidelines can be found on our website here:
www.elycollege.com/uniformguide
Please remember to contact house offices if you have any questions or concerns: