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Dear Parents,

School Uniform Update

I wanted to take this opportunity to write and thank you for your on-going support with regards to how your child takes pride in their appearance and wears our school uniform. We continue to receive numerous positive comments from the local community and visitors to the school about how smart our pupils look.

At Castle Camps, we believe school uniform is important for the following reasons:

- It helps a child's sense of belonging and pride in their school.
- It helps reinforce children's responsibility to look after their own clothes and belongings and to be appropriately prepared for lessons and learning.
- It also helps to ease behavioural issues or upset which may occur as a result of "competition" over the latest brands or high street names.
- It supports a positive attitude towards learning and school readiness.

As the second half of term approaches, I am writing to remind and clarify to you the uniform expectations that apply to all students. A copy of our updated uniform requirements are printed on the reverse of this letter. We ask all pupils to follow the uniform code and that parents continue to encourage their child/children to maintain a good standard of clean and tidy dress.

Thank you for your continued support and cooperation.

Yours sincerely,

Miss A. O'Connor
Headteacher

Uniform at Castle Camps Primary School

Trousers: Plain black or dark grey trousers (must be straight or boot cut). Skinny fit, jean style, jeggings and leggings are not acceptable.

Skirts: Plain black or dark grey skirt (should be no more than 5cm above the middle of knee, not clingy/stretchy fabric).

Pinafore Dresses: Dark grey.

Polo shirts: Plain white or with the school logo. Red polo shirts are acceptable.

Sweatshirts/pullover/cardigans: Red. Sweatshirts with the school logo are preferable - these are available from the school website.

Socks/tights: Plain white, grey or black socks. Tights should be black, white, grey or red.

Shoes: Dark, plain, fastened (laces, velcro or buckle) flat-soled shoes should be worn in school (heels should not exceed 3cms). Platform shoes, open-toed sandals and backless shoes are not suitable or practical for school use. Boots worn to school in winter months **should be changed when in school to suitable shoes**. Trainers can be kept at school to be worn at break times.

JEWELLERY For safety reasons we ask children not to wear jewellery in school. Children who have pierced ears may wear small studs to school if they are capable of taking them out and putting them back in by themselves. Studs will need to be removed for PE, games and swimming. Ear piercing should be seriously considered by parents before being undertaken. If decided upon, we would suggest that it is done at the beginning of the summer holiday, so that studs can be removed by the start of school in September. Watches may be worn, but fitbits are not permitted in school.

NAIL VARNISH AND MAKE UP

Please ensure these are not worn in school.

HAIR Hair accessories such as slides, ribbons etc, should be simple and in the school colours. Long hair should be tied back at all times for convenience and safety. Extreme styles of hair are unacceptable. These include: unnatural colours, shaved lines or shaved patterns. Any changes in length should be graduated throughout the style.

ADDITIONAL FOR SUMMER WEAR: Plain dark grey or black short trousers, red checked dress, 'closed toe' sandals

- **Hats:** A named sun hat should be kept at school during the summer months.

PE/GAMES KIT PE kits should be kept in a named bag in school everyday and taken home at the weekend for washing

- **T-Shirt:** Plain white or red with short sleeves (no strappy tops).
- **Shorts:** Black shorts.
- **Footwear:** Inside: Bare feet (plimsolls if there is a medical reason) Outside: Trainers/plimsolls)
- **Other:** Spare socks. Tracksuits for outside games during cold weather.
- **Summer Swimming:** One piece swimsuit for girls and trunks/shorts for boys (not Bermuda), swimming hat, plus a large towel, should be brought into school each day during the summer term.

Please ensure that all items of clothing are named.