



THE WESTLEIGH SCHOOL

Aspiring & Achieving Together

HEADTEACHER: MR CARLTON BRAMWELL *BEd (Hons), MSc, NPQH*

13 May 2019

Dear Parent/Carer

It is hard to believe that we are in our last term of the school year since joining the **Shaw Education Trust**. It has been a year of positive change for the school and I am proud of all the things that we have achieved so far. I hope that you enjoy seeing this through our social media platforms and school magazines.

One change that has been received extremely positively with feedback from our students, parents and community has been our new Grey Blazer and individual year group ties, which have given our students renewed pride in their uniform. We decided at academisation to limit the uniform changes to minimise impact on parents and were delighted to be able to absorb the cost of this from academisation funding. We did however discuss with parents and students a change to PE Kits and our school skirt in the future.

These changes have now been approved by our Academy Council, our Parent Forum and our students and therefore we will be introducing the following changes to our school uniform and PE Kit from the start of the new school year in September 2019:-

SCHOOL UNIFORM [for ALL students]

Boys' Uniform No change

Girls' Uniform Change of skirt to school grey check (**compulsory** from September 2019)
Change of colour of socks to grey (**compulsory** from 2019)

Ties: Students will keep their existing tie colour as they move up into the next year, so there is no requirement to purchase a new tie.

New Year 7 students will be taking the previous Y11 colour, which means our new year group ties will be:-

- Year 11 Purple
- Year 10 Blue
- Year 9 Green
- Year 8 Maroon
- Year 7 Silver



NEW PE KIT only compulsory for Y7 students joining us in September 2019

**Students in other years can continue to use their existing kit or purchase the new kit if they so wish*

Compulsory

- Polo shirt with 3 buttons **OR** Fitted V neck Polo Shirt– Black and Grey with Maroon piping and school badge
- Shorts **OR** Skort – Black and Grey with Maroon piping
- ¼ Zip Sweater – Black and Grey with Maroon piping
- Long Socks – Black with Grey Turnover Top and Maroon edging

Additional Compulsory Item for Girls' Dance

- Dance Legging – Black with Grey Detail

Optional

- Skinny Jogger – Black with Grey Piping
- Base Layer Top and Trouser – Black

Suppliers and Cost

All uniform must be purchased from our official suppliers in Leigh, which are:-

- A &H Rosenfelds
- Jaymax
- Bang Bang

With whom we have been working closely to ensure pricing is affordable and that new stocks are available as soon as possible. However, as both the PE Kit and girls' skirt have been individually designed for The Westleigh School this is likely to be during the summer holidays.

We are aware that the garments, particularly the new skirt, will be more expensive than our current ones, however the design and quality will ensure that they are hard wearing and provide good value for money overall. Suppliers will take orders in advance and offer payment plans to assist with costs.

We hope that you will agree that these changes are a visible representation of our high aspirations and I would like to thank parents and carers for their continued support as we continue on our journey together to ensure the best outcomes for your children.

Yours faithfully



C Bramwell
Headteacher