

# St. Peter's Elwick Church of England Voluntary Aided Primary School

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*At St. Peter's Elwick we aim to provide a high quality education which is underpinned by the Christian values of respect, forgiveness, love, care and compassion and equality.  
We expect to find God with us in our school.*

Dear Parents/Carers

Thank you for all the responses to our consultation. The response to the uniform update was overwhelmingly positive and some very useful points were raised for Governors to consider and which have been taken into account in the final uniform.

We wanted to reassure parents on some of the points raised as part of the consultation:

- The polo shirt, blouse, shirt, trousers, navy skirt, summer dress, socks, tights, shoes, coat and school bag are all able to be purchased from alternative suppliers, including supermarket suppliers.
- The uniform supplier are a reputable supplier and the Governing Body ensure appropriate costs through benchmarking exercises as part of best value for money. The school are not in any 'contract' with the uniform suppliers and the product is produced by a national company, sold by a number of suppliers across the country.
- Any families who are in receipt of pupil premium funding can have uniform purchased from this funding, if required. Any families who are not in receipt of pupil premium funding but are in need of financial assistance will be supported on an individual basis as is currently the system in school.
- There is no change to the premise that the uniform can be worn by both boys and girls, regardless of gender.
- It is not compulsory to purchase a school jumper or cardigan to be worn e.g. in the summer months.
- It won't be necessary to wear a tie in hot weather and school will let pupils know when the tie is not needed.
- In response to the consultation, we will be offering all families a school jumper for September 2018 if they feel it would be of support. A slip will come home for parents to indicate if they are requesting a school jumper and the size required. This will also ensure that Year 6 parents have to buy nothing for September that costs any more than current costs of trousers/skirts/blouses.

## **The uniform update will be from September 2018 and will consist of:**

Year group	Uniform
Nursery & Reception Early Years	White polo t-shirt Navy jumper/cardigan with yellow stripe Navy trousers/shorts or checked pinafore or checked/navy pleated skirt White/navy socks or navy tights Summer term only: optional royal blue gingham summer dress
Year 1 & Year 2 Key Stage 1	White long/short sleeved blouse or shirt Optional clip-on school tie Navy jumper/cardigan with yellow stripe Navy trousers/shorts or checked pinafore or checked/navy pleated skirt White/navy socks or navy tights Black shoes Summer term only: optional royal blue gingham summer dress

Year 3-Year 5 Key Stage 2	White long/short sleeved blouse or shirt Clip-on school tie Navy jumper/cardigan with yellow stripe Navy trousers/shorts <i>or</i> checked pinafore <i>or</i> checked/navy pleated skirt White/navy socks or navy tights Black shoes Summer term only: optional royal blue gingham summer dress
Year 6 Key Stage 2	White long/short sleeved blouse or shirt 'Real' school tie (provided by school) Navy jumper/cardigan with yellow stripe Navy trousers/shorts <i>or</i> checked pinafore <i>or</i> checked/navy pleated skirt White/navy socks or navy tights Black shoes Summer term only: optional royal blue gingham summer dress
<p>Hair accessories should be in keeping with the school colour scheme.</p> <p>School bags and PE drawstring bags can be purchased from the supplier or bought from any supplier but they must be of a similar size to a book bag/PE drawstring bag to ensure they can fit into pupil lockers or on pegs. Rucksack style bags will not fit and so should not be used from September as we don't have room in school.</p>	

### **PE Kit questions**

In response to requests we are introducing an optional navy tracksuit, primarily to be used by the older pupils when out at sporting events representing their school. These can be purchased from the uniform supplier, or other suppliers and a stock will be kept in school for team events for any pupils that don't have them.

The shorts/skort will be navy blue and the PE t-shirt will be yellow. We are not asking parents to buy these colours straight away and just to purchase them as they replace current PE uniform if they are different. The school PE t-shirt can be purchased from the uniform supplier with the 'Team' slogan or plain colour from any supplier, including supermarkets. Spare team shirts will be kept in school for any pupils participating in a team event who don't have a team PE shirt. A Federation PE t-shirt will be kept in school for any Federation events.

Thank you once again for your many positive and constructive comments. School will notify parents once the uniform is available for purchase over the coming period and will support parents to ensure delivery in time for September.

Kind regards



Colin Reid

Chair of Governors