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Principal: Mrs Lesley Hogg



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Dear Parents/Carers,

Firstly, I would like to say a huge thank you to all of you who found the time to get in touch following the news of our first positive case of coronavirus in the academy. Your support and input has been invaluable, and has really lifted the spirits of the staff who continue to make every effort to keep your children both safe and well educated. I know that I have spoken or corresponded with several of you, and hope that your concerns have been addressed.

I am aware that the weather is now turning colder, and with the current guidance telling us that classrooms still need to be ventilated, I am writing to inform you of a modification to the academy uniform that will be in place for the immediate future. Students will today have been told that from Monday, they will be permitted to wear an academy hoodie or plain black, navy, or very dark grey hoodie underneath their blazers. Ideally, they will wear their plain V necked black sweater, but I know that this is not a compulsory item of uniform, and I am not comfortable asking you to purchase additional clothing on top of what has already been bought if that is not possible. There should be no logos on these items, unless it is of course, the Iceni hoodie. I have said in a previous email that students who are wearing skirts way above the knee will be asked to replace these with more suitable attire by January, to avoid facing consequences. If this can be addressed any earlier, I would appreciate it, as I do not think the current skirts offer sufficient protection against the elements. Lastly, I would ask that you encourage your child to wear a coat to the academy. We need to allow them out to get some well needed fresh air and exercise at Break and Lunch time, and they can also stand outside at the end of the day in their bus lines for up to half an hour; again, I would feel happier if they were more appropriately dressed. If you have any questions regarding uniform, please direct them to the Heads of Year in the first instance.

I hope that this letter finds both you and your loved ones well.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'L. Hogg'.

Lesley Hogg

Principal