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Dear Parents,

I would like to remind you of a number of important issues.

Uniform

School uniform is important, please do your very best to ensure your child is properly dressed for school:

Girls - Grey skirt/pinafore, white shirt/polo shirt, royal blue jumper/cardigan with or without the school logo, plain socks and black shoes.

Boys - Grey trousers/shorts, white shirt/polo shirt, royal blue jumper/cardigan with or without the school logo, plain socks and black shoes.

PE - White t-shirt, black/navy shorts and black plimsolls.

Long hair should be tied back to avoid distraction and unfortunate cases of headlice, Extreme hairstyles and those with patterns shaved in are not permitted.

Jewellery

Jewellery is made of metal; children's flesh is not, so it really can be dangerous. Children are allowed to wear a small pair of stud earrings and a sensible watch. Ear rings must be removed for PE or not worn on PE days.

Healthy Snacks

As part of our 'Healthy Schools' policy, children will no longer be allowed to bring crisps for breaktime snack. Children in lower school are provided with fruit on a daily basis and others are welcome to bring fruit or dried fruit if they wish.

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Facebook

On a few occasions over the last few years I have had Facebook conversations about school issues brought to my attention. Some say nasty things about children or adults, others say threatening things.

It is simply against the law to say or write nasty, threatening or untrue things about another person. The law is even stricter where children are concerned. Many people do not realise that writing on Facebook or other similar websites is also subject to the law, so people are prosecuted for things they have written. It is also true that even though you may have deleted something; there may still be many copies around on paper or electronically.

It is far too easy to type something in when you are cross or upset and regret it afterwards, but the damage will already be done. Once you have written something on Facebook, you can never 'un-say' it. I would ask all of you who use Facebook and other Social Networking Sites to consider what you write very, very carefully.

Yours sincerely,

Head Teacher