

13<sup>th</sup> June 2022

Dear Parent/Carer,

## School Uniforms

I hope that this letter finds you well. I am writing to update you on our uniform policy. You may be aware that the government has asked schools to review their uniform policy to make sure costs are reasonable and parents get the best value for money. Schools have been asked to review all branded items; Ark Victoria is working closely with Ark Central Procurement Team to renew our uniform contract ready for September 2023.

In the meantime, the school has made some decisions to support parents with uniform costs from September 2022. From September 2022 (with a two year transition period until 2024 to enable parents to change current uniforms over a two year period) the following changes will be in place:

- EYFS and KS1 pupils (Reception, Yr1 and Yr2) will be able to wear a smart white polo shirt instead of a shirt and tie
- EYFS and KS1 pupils will be able to wear a navy branded sweatshirt instead of a turquoise branded jumper – this is the same sweatshirt currently required for PE in primary
- All Year 3 to year 6 are still required to wear a shirt and tie and blazer, as well as a plain navy jumper or cardigan, rather than a branded one
- All secondary students are still required to wear a shirt and tie and blazer, as well as a plain navy jumper or cardigan, rather than a branded one

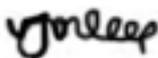
I have also attached the updated Uniform Policy for your information and a visual display of the uniform requirements from September 2022.

We will continue to look to identify further savings ready for September 2023 and hope that the above changes will support parents with the costs of school uniform this year.

Yours sincerely,



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**All Through Principal**



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**Primary Headteacher**