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Dear Parent / Carer

RE: HAVE YOUR SAY PART 2!

Before the half term break, I wrote to you promising you an opportunity to have your say about uniform. The Student Council has worked really hard over recent months in considering options and putting forward a proposal. Unfortunately, we have hit upon contractual issues with our supplier meaning that we will not be able to make any changes as quickly as we might have liked. However, it does give us time to consult thoroughly and bring in any changes in a considered way, meaning that families are not disadvantaged financially, especially in these difficult times. Anything we now decide will be brought in for a September 2023 start with a 12-month roll-out, meaning that a new uniform (if that is what comes back from consultation) will not be fully implemented until September 2024. I should also say at this point that we are simply consulting on clothing at this stage, not on piercings, make-up or hair-styles.

From discussion and debate with the Student Councils, uniform change is unlikely to be wholesale, but a few simple changes may well be welcome and your feedback will help our decision-making process enormously. Although we are unlikely ever to reach conclusions that will please everyone, it is helpful if we can get some general consensus around certain issues. This questionnaire is a starting point for further discussion. To reiterate, no changes will be made for this coming September 2022.

Please complete this short survey on the following link here. Please complete only one per household and from the parent/carer point of view by Friday, 17 June. Students will be surveyed separately so that we can ensure everyone's views are collected.

Many thanks for your time.

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