

21st July 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

As we approach the final days of term, I am writing to thank you for your support over the last year. This has been a really positive year at Laurence Jackson School, and it has been a pleasure to acknowledge all the very many successes that students have experienced over the last few weeks, from Year 10 Work Experience Week to Sports Day, Rewards Trips Day to our production of Grease, and from Duke of Edinburgh expeditions to public speaking competition winners. During the year group rewards assemblies this week, there has been a lot to celebrate and enjoy in the final weeks of the term.

As you know, all the information about our uniform expectations is on our website but I have included them below as a reminder in preparation for the new school year. Students must wear:

- A Laurence Jackson School blazer. This is a compulsory item of uniform and must be worn at all times;
- A Laurence Jackson School year group specific tie. This tie stripe colour will remain with your child throughout their time at school. School ties are available from our uniform suppliers Trutex and Bambini, as well as from the main school office at a cost of £6.50 paid via Gateway. Students' tie colours don't change as they move through the school and the colours for next year's year groups are set out below. Please ensure that your child(ren) have the correct colour tie. We recommend that your child has a spare tie.

Y7 in September	Dark green tie with blue stripe and school crest
Y8 in September	Dark green tie with gold stripe and school crest
Y9 in September	Dark green tie with green stripe and school crest
Y10 in September	Dark green tie with black stripe and school crest
Y11 in September	Dark green tie with maroon stripe and school crest

- A white shirt, which may be long or short sleeved.
- Black trousers or the skirt detailed below. Trousers may be slim or straight fitting but must not be skin-tight. Jeans, jeggings or leggings are not acceptable.
- A pleated jubilee tartan skirt. Skirts must be knee length and may only be purchased from our uniform suppliers. **No other styles of skirts are allowed**. Skirts must be worn with plain black rights that are at least 60 deniers.
- Socks must be black, white or grey.
- Jumpers are an **optional** item of uniform. Students in Key Stage 3 (Years 7, 8 and 9) may choose to wear a plain green V neck jumper under their blazer and in Years 10 and 11 may choose to wear a plain black V neck jumper. Trutex sell plain jumpers with the school logo although a completely plain jumper of the appropriate style and colour is also permitted. **However, a jumper is not an alternative to the school blazer;** students are required to wear blazers at all times unless they are given permission to remove them
- Footwear must be plain black, sensible and practical. The following types of footwear are <u>not</u> <u>allowed</u>:
 - Any type of canvas footwear.
 - Designer leisure leather upper footwear. (Examples of these shoes are Vans, Converse, Nike, or any other shoes with highly visible brand names).
 - Trainers of any kind.
 - Boots.

- Other Presentation Expectations are follows
 - o Students are not permitted to wear false or acrylic or gel nails / nail varnish.
 - o Students may wear a single stud earring in each ear but no other piercings are permitted.
 - o Rings, bracelets and necklaces are not permitted.

For PE, students are expected to wear the full, correct PE kit during every PE lesson. Indoor Kit must include the following:

- Black, green and white polo shirt with school logo.
- Plain black shorts with school logo or plain black leggings.
- Green and white football socks or white sports socks.

Students must be prepared to go outside and bring appropriate outdoor addition as follows:

- Plain black tracksuit bottoms.
- Black, green and white reversible top (required for contact sports such as rugby which are part of the boys' PE curriculum) **OR** a black, green and white hoody with school logo.
- Green and white football socks or white sports socks.
- Shin pads should also be worn for football.
- Students are encouraged to wear base layers underneath their school PE kit for outdoor lessons.

Footwear for PE required PE is:

- Suitable sports trainers for indoor activities.
- Moulded studs only for AstroTurf lessons; please note that NO blades or metal studs can be worn
 on the AstroTurf pitch.

Students also need a school bag to carry their equipment and books that is big enough to contain A4 books and folders. Please ensure that all of your child's items of clothing and personal property are clearly labelled with your child's name.

Today is the last day of the school year. Students return to school on <u>Wednesday 6th September</u> via the main Student Entrance and will be directed to their year group outside areas. School will start at the normal time of 8.30am, with students being inside the gate by 8.20am. Please note that from September, the gates will not open until 8.10am.

On behalf of all staff at Laurence Jackson School, I hope you and your families have an enjoyable summer break. We look forward to working with your child again in the new school year.

Yours sincerely

Mrs C Juckes Headteacher