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Dear Parent or Carer,

We hope you are and your families are well.

We are writing to clarify our expectations, arrangements and systems related to school uniform ready for September 2020. In line with the most recent Government guidance, pupils should please return in September in full school uniform. For more details on specific items please follow the link to the uniform section of the Malet Lambert website; www.maletlambert.co.uk/pages/uniform--2

To summarise, pupils should wear:

- Plain black school shoes (no trainers)
- A "House" tie
- A plain black blazer bearing the Malet Lambert badge
- A white stiff collared shirt as we have always required
- Plain black trousers which are loose and not tight fitting (please avoid materials containing lycra)

OR

- Plain black knee length skirt which is loose and not tight fitting (please avoid materials containing lycra)

This year we are modifying some of our arrangements and systems in order to minimise any queues which could result in unnecessary gatherings. Furthermore, we are introducing yet more parental choice to positively impact on the financial cost to families; something which has long since been a consideration but especially now, during these unprecedented and challenging times.

A summary of the changes are detailed below;

- The school will suspend, for a term in the first instance, the attachment of logos to trousers and skirts which are not bought from the uniform shop. If you are shopping elsewhere, please do not purchase tight fitting garments which may later be declined, if and when, we re-introduce the logo system. Instead, please purchase garments that you feel would have been approved under the logo system
- To be clear, Steady School Wear continues to sell skirts and trousers onto which the logo is already attached. They also continue to sell an increasing range of garments, having listened to recent parental feedback. Please click link below for more information: <https://steadyschoolwear.co.uk/>
- Steady School Wear will continue to sell the Malet Lambert blazer which pupils need to wear as part of our uniform. In addition, however, we are happy for parents/carers to buy a plain black blazer from elsewhere and to buy the Malet Lambert badge from Steady School Wear at a cost of £5.50. The school will then provide a free of charge service to parents/carers who can book a time to bring in and leave their blazers with us for the badge to be attached. A collection date and time will then be arranged. This service can be accessed via further instructions on the

uniform section of the Malet Lambert website through which you must register **before Friday 7th August**. www.maletlambert.co.uk/pages/uniform--2

- We will continue to do our usual checks on uniform to ensure that we maintain the high standards you have come to expect. As part of this, we will accept notes from parents/carers with extenuating circumstances about missing or incorrect items of uniform, we do however, kindly ask that you work with us to ensure that any issues can be rectified as quickly as possible.
- Finally, ready for September we will have set up a stock of 'new and pre-loved uniform wear' which we will make available to pupils on a case by case basis. Our stock includes brand new shoes and other garments alongside a raft of uniform items that have been well cared for and washed to mean that they look 'as new'.

We know that the vast majority of our pupils take real pride in presenting to school every day in full uniform and that parents/carers work alongside us to achieve this. We look forward to seeing all of our pupils back in September looking smart and ready to thrive.

Yours faithfully



Mr Fenna
Deputy Headteacher