



Emmanuel CE Middle School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

As we look toward the final stages of the academic year and begin our preparations for September, we would like to thank you for your continued support in upholding the high standards of Emmanuel CE Middle School. We are writing to you now, as we appreciate that uniform items purchased in the coming weeks are likely to be those worn in September.

Our uniform and dress code are designed to encourage a smart, formal environment. Please use the following information when purchasing new uniform items.

## Footwear

Shoes must be plain (free of stripes and ticks), black, and leather. Formal in appearance rather than sporty. Please note that black leather trainers of any description—including those manufactured by sportswear companies—are not permitted as part of the formal school uniform. Unfortunately, we've seen a huge spike in pupils wearing black, canvas/running trainers. Therefore, black leather shoes such as Nike Air Force, Adidas and Vans will no longer be permitted from September.

Please use the images at the end of this letter for guidance.

Trainers and EMS Hoodies are reserved strictly for PE or when playing sport.

## Skirts and Trousers

We ask for your particular attention regarding the fit and style of skirts and trousers:

- **Skirts:** These must be charcoal, grey, or black. Please choose from two styles: A-Line, or pleated. They should be appropriate to the age of the child, finishing on or just above the knee.
- **Fit:** Skirts must be worn without being altered or rolled. Pupils wearing skirts that are too short, too small, or persistently rolled will be directed to wear trousers. To track this, we will record when the fit is incorrect. When a child has five of these, you will be notified. When they hit 10 they will need to wear tailored trousers or shorts for the remainder of the term. We will reset this each term. It is a choice of the individual to wear their uniform correctly.
- **Trousers:** These should be formal, straight-legged, and tailored in charcoal, grey, or black. Due to the quality, fit and adherence to our 'formal' style, any form of flared trousers will not be





acceptable from September. To help guide, tailored trousers have real pockets and are non-stretchy.

The look is formal, rather than ath-leisure.

## General Appearance

- **Shirts and Ties:** Shirts must be tucked in when inside the school building, and ties should be knotted at the top button, reaching the waist.
- **Jewellery:** Pupils may wear one small stud earring in each ear lobe only. No bracelets or necklaces are permitted.
- **Hair and Make-up:** Hair should be natural in colour and not represent extremes of fashion. Make-up and nail varnish are not permitted, though a light application of natural-looking concealer is allowed to promote a positive self-image.
- **Nails:** no nail varnish or false nails.

## Support and Purchasing

New uniforms can be purchased from **Bartlett's of Wimborne**. For those interested in second-hand options, please contact our **PTFA** directly or reach out to the school office for guidance.

Further to communications sent earlier this academic year, Bartlett's are now stocking our new House colour ties and PE tops. These are available to purchase and wear from now on in readiness for the change in September.

Please write your child's name on the uniform items. It makes it easy to return.

Furthermore, pupils in receipt of free school meals have access to a **£50.00 uniform grant** per academic year to be used at Bartlett's. Please contact the school office in confidence for more details.

We will continue to send regular updates regarding our expectations and will write directly to parents where specific uniform action is required. If you are ever in doubt about the suitability of an item, please contact your child's **Head of Year** before making a purchase.

Thank you for helping us maintain the pride and identity of our school community.

Warm regards,

**The Senior Leadership Team**

**Skirt options: pleated, A-Line**



**Shoe options: laced**



Daze Loop 2 Youth



Lorcam Edge Youth



Jonwin Loop Youth



Jonwin Step Youth



Eris Pure Youth



Finja Brogue Youth



Finja Wing Youth

**Shoe options: Velcro**



Feather Shine Kid



Daze Step 2 Youth



Dance Beam Kid



Relda Wish Kid



Relda Gem Kid



Etch Pure Kid

**Not these:**



Selva Edge Youth



Deyes Dash Kid



Crafton Move Youth



Barley Step Youth