



The Blue Coat School

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Dear Parents/Carers

Re: School uniform

Recently, we have been pleased to listen to and support the view that the school uniform should include a choice for girls to wear trousers instead of a skirt if they wish.

Consequently, we have made an amendment to the school's guidance about uniform to provide that choice to girls at The Blue Coat School with immediate effect. In support of parents, we would not ordinarily make a change to the school uniform during the school year, but in this case, we recognise that this change offers an important choice which can be achieved without any changes to our current expectations of boys' uniform. You can read our updated school uniform guidance [here](#).

For the assistance of students and parents, it is helpful to explain that:

- girls may choose to wear a school skirt or school trousers as part of the school uniform
- the school's updated guidance about trousers include clear, consistent and equal expectations for boys and girls of all age groups
- in line with our guidance, boys and girls trousers should not be: slim-fit, tight-fitting or bootleg.

I hope that this guidance gives you complete clarity about The Blue Coat School's expectations in relation to trousers for boys and girls. If you have any further queries, please contact the school office by visiting reception or by emailing through:

office@bluecoatschool.org.uk

I trust that you will appreciate and understand the school's positive response to the views of students and parents. Many thanks for your continued support.

Yours sincerely

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Headteacher