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Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome Back

We are looking forward to welcoming all children back to school on Monday 3rd November by 8.35am. A reminder that children can access the main school gates (Bar Lane Entrance at 8.15am). Free breakfast is currently available from 8.15am-8.30am in the school canteen.

I have spent much of this half-term break reflecting on a superbly successful Autumn half-term here at Ellis Guilford School.

We ended on a high with our very first EGScellence EGStravaganza celebration which recognised children for EGScellence in all its forms.

We celebrated:

- Children being on time for line-up by 8.35am
- EGScellent Behaviour
- Perfect Punctuality
- Modelling of our school values Ambition, Integrity and Respect

If you missed our Ellis Echo publication sent out on Friday 17th October, you can read it here: [EGScellence EGStravaganza Special Edition](#).

We look forward to another EGScellence EGStravaganza which will take place in the last week of this half-term from Monday 15th December to Friday 19th December.

An additional reminder that all of our school communications can be found on our website at the following location: <https://www.ellisguilfordschool.org.uk/letters-briefings-updates>

Ellis Guilford School EGSpectations

Attendance: Between now and the Christmas break, we are encouraging children to hit a 100% attendance target. This includes 35 days of school and we will be issuing weekly and half-termly reward opportunities for children who meet this target.

Punctuality: All children are expected to arrive at school by 8.35am. This is a basic EGSpectation here at Ellis Guilford School. Line-ups and tutor time are crucial for children to receive information for the day ahead and to start their day with positive recognition.

Uniform: A reminder that plain navy v-neck knitted jumpers can be worn with a blazer. They must not be worn without a blazer. Skirts must be knee-length or just above the knee. Trousers must be formal school trousers.
Coats can be worn but they must be removed before entering classrooms.

PE Kit: Please find attached guidance about our school PE kit, and a reminder about what children are permitted to wear for PE.

Jewellery: A reminder please that the only jewellery permitted in school are stud earrings in the ears, and one nose stud. Any other jewellery is not permitted in school.

Thank you as always for your support in upholding these EGSpectations with your child.

Kindest regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Gemma Johnson'.

Gemma Johnson
Principal



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PE Uniform

- We have the highest **EGSpectations** regarding uniform. This includes PE kit!
- Most children wear our PE uniform well in every lesson
- After half term, we will be changing the way that we tackle issues where children arrive without PE uniform.

PE kit can be black OR navy this year. As of September 2026, all PE kit must be navy.



Official **EGS** PE kit;

- PE T-shirt (black or navy)
- Socks
- Trainers
- Black or navy shorts, joggers or leggings



Additional Layers in Cold Weather

No items of school uniform are permitted to be worn for PE. This includes the navy V neck jumper. No sweatshirts, hoodies, jackets or coats are allowed to be worn for PE.

Children are permitted to wear;

- EGS official tracksuit top (£6.99/£7.99 from www.justschoolwear.co.uk)
- Plain black/navy long sleeve top can be worn underneath the EGS PE T shirt
- Gloves and woolly hats are permitted to be worn in cold conditions



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If your child has an issue with their PE uniform, please send a note in to school stating the reason why they do not have their kit, so that an adjustment can be made for that week so that they can borrow kit.

- All children should have full PE uniform every lesson
- If a child does not have full PE uniform:
 - First time in a half term = Warning
 - Second time in a half term (and any further incidents of no PE uniform) = 30minute Reflection after school

Children who do not have PE uniform must borrow spare kit. If a child refuses to borrow kit, they will be unable to take part in the lesson and will receive an SLT Reflection for 60minutes at the end of the school day.