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30<sup>th</sup> May 2024

Dear Parent/Carer of child(ren) currently in Years 7-10,

### **The Ellis Guilford School Uniform from September 2025**

Our current uniform has been in place for over 10 years. In that time, the cost of living has increased significantly, and it is my responsibility to ensure that the school uniform provides value for money for our parents and carers. We also need to ensure that our uniform is accessible for all, with the option to purchase items easily from local supermarkets, as well as our uniform supplier.

To achieve these aims, the Ellis Guilford School uniform will change from September 2025:

- The EGS blazer will change from black to navy.
- The school logo on the blazer will change slightly.
- The black trousers/skirts will now change to grey trousers/skirts. Grey items are far more readily available in our local supermarkets.
- Our children tell us that they would like the option of wearing a tailored short in the summer, and grey tailored shorts are much more easily available than black tailored shorts.
- The school jumper will no longer be a branded EGS jumper, but rather a plain navy knitted V-neck jumper which can be purchased easily, and more affordably, in local supermarkets.
- The EGS tie will change slightly to be navy and turquoise including a year group 'colour.'

In making these changes, we have managed to reduce the average cost by approximately £20, dependant on jumper sourcing and associated cost.

**All children will need to be in the new uniform from September 2025.** Until then, those entering Years 8-11 in September 2024 (currently in Years 7-10), will be able to buy the **current** uniform at a discounted rate from the school uniform supplier. Further details will be made available shortly regarding this.

Parents of children going into Years 8-11 this September may choose to 'make-do' with their current uniform until September 2025 if able. We will also look to



open a 'pre-loved' uniform shop in school to support the transition to new uniform for September 2025. Again, further details to follow.

Children entering Year 7 in September 2024 will be able to purchase the new uniform now in preparation for this September. This will support those parents to not have to buy new uniform again after only one year of wear. This uniform can be purchased from our supplier, Just Schoolwear.

An additional letter will follow after the half-term break, detailing the changes to the school uniform.

A 'Frequently Asked Questions' (FAQ) sheet is attached to this letter, which may answer some of the queries that you have.

Yours sincerely,

MS G JOHNSON  
PRINCIPAL



## **Uniform FAQs**

**My child is currently (May – July 2024) attending Ellis Guilford School in one of the years 7-10, do they need to wear the new school uniform this September 2024?**

- No - they do not need to wear the new school uniform until September 2025.

**I have another child who is joining the school in September this year. They are currently in Year 6. Do they need to wear the new school uniform this September 2024?**

- Yes - children joining us as Year 7s in September 2024, will be able to purchase the new uniform from our supplier, Just Schoolwear, before September 2024.

**My child is currently attending your school in one of years 7-10, and their blazer is too small. Do I need to buy a brand new one now - even though the uniform will change from September 2025?**

- No – although the current uniform will still be available to purchase should you want to from our supplier, Just Schoolwear (at a reduced cost to usual). We are also hoping to open a pre-loved uniform shop in school where you will be able to purchase second-hand uniform at a much-reduced cost.

**My child is currently attending your school in of the years 7-10, can I buy the new uniform now?**

- No - unfortunately, new uniform will only be available to Year 6 children going into year 7 this September. This is to ensure we have enough stock.

**I would like to know what the new uniform looks like. When will I be able to see that?**

- We will send out additional communications week beginning 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2024, to show the style and design of the new uniform.

**My child is currently in Year 11, and they do not need their uniform anymore. Can I donate this for others?**

- Yes please! We would love to take any good quality used uniform off your hands, to be able to support other parents and carers during this academic year. Please leave any washed, good condition clothes at main reception.

**The new school trousers and skirts are grey. Can I buy my child these items now to wear with their current uniform as this will save me buying these again next summer?**

- Yes - children who are still wearing the old blazers and ties, are more than welcome to switch from black trousers or skirts to grey trousers or skirts whilst we transition to the new uniform.