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Dear Parents,

As we finish for our half term holiday, I would like to take the opportunity to make a few reminders about our expectations of our school uniform.

When we return in November, your child will need to be in Winter Uniform. This includes the wearing of navy blue tights/ socks for girls and grey socks for boys. The children will also need a coat for playtime, rather than a blazer. Our uniform list states that this needs to be either the school navy blue fleece jacket or the regulation duffle coat. These items are both available at the school outfitters and from the PA, who have a wide selection of 'pre-loved' school coats and fleeces in stock. If you would like your child to wear hat and gloves, they must be plain navy blue (no bobbles) and preferably with the school logo. Ear-muffs are not part of our school uniform. School jumpers should also be as stated on the uniform list: infant and junior girls need the lighter blue ribbed sweater and the infant boys, the grey one with the 'v' stripe. Girls should not be wearing navy-blue jumpers or cardigans as these are part of our School uniform and blue sweatshirts are reserved for PE activities only.

**Please ensure that all items are clearly named** – preferably with professionally produced name tapes, which are clear to read and enable speedy return should items become lost.

I would like also to clarify our expectations of school bags. From after half term **all children**, **including those in Kindergarten**, will be required to have the navy BGS bag for their school books etc. The children may have the larger 'square' rucksack with the school logo at any point but there are available some smaller BGS ones, more appropriate for our younger children.

Children are also expected to have a navy-blue 'pump-bag' for their PE kit – these are designed to hang easily on school pegs. Some children, however, especially those in Y5/6 have a large amount of PE kit which needs to be stored carefully. Any sports bag is allowed to accommodate this overflow but ideally, they should be ones which may be hung on a peg.

BGS prides itself on its smart uniform and we ask that parents support their children in maintaining our high standards. If you have any queries about uniform, please don't hesitate to ask us. In the meantime, we hope you have a lovely half term.

Yours sincerely

Fiona V Gray Deputy Head