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Dear Parents and Carers,

SCHOOL UNIFORM

We are writing to you at this time of year in order to clarify the school's expectations of student uniform as we are aware that many of you will be purchasing new items of uniform over the summer holiday. The school uniform policy is clearly laid out on the school website and can be found by clicking on the following link:

<https://www.secondary.stgregory.oxon.sch.uk/parents/uniform>

As is the case every September, the vast majority of students will return to school with immaculate uniform and we thank parents for their support with this. However, there may be some students who choose not to wear the uniform as we would expect. For that reason, we will be monitoring the uniform of students closely from the start of term to ensure that all are dressed appropriately. Students who are not wearing the correct uniform will lose some of their free time during the school day until their uniform is corrected.

We are sharing this with you now so that we can be entirely transparent about our expectations and our intended actions and so that you can support us with this in ensuring your child is appropriately dressed.

Wearing school uniform teaches students to dress smartly and take pride in their appearance. Perhaps most importantly, our uniform means students don't have to worry about peer pressure when it comes to their clothes and reduces any associated bullying. When everyone is dressed the same, worrying about what you look like isn't so important. Our school uniform keeps students focused on their education, not their clothes. Wearing our school uniform enhances pride in the school and gives students a sense of unity and identity as well as promoting a sense of community spirit.

We will be conducting a uniform check at the start of term. Please note that trainers, whatever material they are made of, are absolutely not acceptable. Black leather shoes should be worn. With regards to the trousers, these should be navy blue tailored trousers with the school logo attached.

Items of school uniform can be purchased from either Stevenson's at 245, Banbury Road, Oxford OX2 7HN or online through Price and Buckland at www.pbparentsonline.co.uk/stgregorythegreat.

If you are in receipt of benefits you will be able to get help with the purchase of uniform by contacting your son/daughter's Head of Year.

We are all proud of our school, proud of our uniform and proud to wear it. Thank you for your support.

Yours sincerely,

Mr. S. Tucker (Headteacher of Secondary)

