



## Phased Change to School Uniform

29<sup>th</sup> April 2021

Dear Parent/Guardian

During the academic year 2019-20, extensive consultation was carried out with pupils, parents, staff and Governors around a proposal to align the various versions of the school crest on our school uniform. It was agreed that the updated crest would be added to both the traditional green and purple school jumpers, as well as to our school polo shirts. However, as a result of the onset of the pandemic, this decision was delayed by one year.

This decision has recently been revisited by Governors and it has been agreed to proceed with a phased introduction of the updated uniform, beginning in August 2021. We hope that this will provide flexibility for parents, whilst ensuring that the objective of providing a clearly aligned school identity is achieved. Below are the details of how this change will be managed:

Until the end of June 2021	In line with DE guidance, flexibility is permitted around school uniform. Children can wear plain <b>black</b> leggings/tracksuit bottoms or shorts with their school shoes/trainers.	
Academic Year 2021-22	<b>Either</b>	<b>or</b>
	Green or purple jumper with 'old' crest	Green or purple jumper with 'new' crest
	Plain white polo shirt	White polo shirt with 'new' crest
	Grey school trousers, skirt or shorts	Grey school trousers, skirt or shorts
	Black school shoes	Black school shoes
Academic Year 2022-23	<b>All children</b>	
	Green or purple jumper with 'new' crest	
	White polo shirt with 'new' crest	
	Grey school trousers, skirt or shorts	
	Black school shoes	

As part of this plan, our approved school uniform supplier will sell off any existing stock of school jumpers with the old crest and begin production of the new version in time for the new academic year.

All other items of school clothing and accessories, for example beanie hats and book bags, will also be branded with the new crest. However, in line with our approach to the uniform change, we encourage families to make good use of existing items before going to any further expense.

Further information about the range of Lough View branded clothing and accessories is available by visiting the Signature Schools shop on Montgomery Road or on their website [www.signatureschools.co.uk](http://www.signatureschools.co.uk).

I hope that you will see the approach outlined above as pragmatic under the current circumstances we all find ourselves in. We are excited to share information about these changes with our pupils and new parents who will have children starting at Lough View in 2021.

Thank you for your continued support.

Regards

S Spillane

Principal