



May 29th 2024

Dear Parent / Guardian,

As we near the end of this academic year we wish to clarify our school uniform and reiterate the requirement for all students to wear the uniform correctly at all times during the school day.

We appreciate that the uniform is a financial investment by all parents and wish to give clarity regarding the items which will be accepted from September 2024. If a student is not in the uniform as outlined below, they will be required to purchase the correct items, therefore adding unnecessary expense. Our expectations regarding uniform are clear and we appreciate your full cooperation in supporting our efforts to provide a cost-effective, high quality and smart uniform that represents the high standard we uphold and ensure that valuable staff time is not spent dealing with uniform related issues.

Our uniform is only available from 2 local businesses:

Mary FM Fashions, Lismore.

Walsh's Drapery, Tallow.

BCS School Uniform:

Black BCS crested jumper (**School Fleece is NOT to replace school jumper**)

Grey school shirt

School striped tie

Grey trousers for all students (**New skirt option for girls**)

All black shoes / runners (**No markings or coloured soles**)

PE Uniform: (To be worn on timetabled PE days)

BCS PE training top

BCS PE half zip

BCS Navy tracksuit bottom

Runners

New school skirt

In recent years we have faced challenges regarding the appropriate wearing of our school skirt. We have engaged in a review process of the skirt as an option in recent months with our Parents Association, Staff, BOM and Student Voice. We are introducing a change to our school skirt from September 2024 for all students. The grey skirt will no longer be an option as part of our uniform. The new BCS skirt will be blue plaid, pleated and must always be worn at its full length of 22" with black opaque tights. This skirt option will only be available to students who wear it in the correct manner.



Orders for the skirt can now be given to our local uniform stockists and will be available for collection from August 15th onwards.

Phone Pouches:

Our wellbeing phone free school initiative, which we introduced in September 2023, has been a great success and will continue into next year.

All existing students are in possession of a phone pouch, this should last them for the remaining years that they are in BCS once it is looked after and always closed while being stored in their school bags. Incoming 1st year students will receive a pouch at induction, we are asking that parents / guardians reiterate to their child the importance of having their pouch with them throughout the school day, as they are required to place it on their desk for inspection when required. If a pouch is damaged or vandalised in any manner it is the student's responsibility to replace it at a cost of €20.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your support over the past year and wish all members of our school community a relaxing and enjoyable Summer break.

Kind Regards,

Denis Ring

Principal.