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School Shoes and Bags from September 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

I am writing to inform parents of uniform expectations from September 2024. Please find enclosed information and photographs as examples of what is acceptable and what is not acceptable in terms of footwear and school bags for the next academic year to help you when purchasing new school equipment for your child. We endeavour to work with parents and carers to ensure that high expectations of standards are maintained for children.

Guidance on Footwear

From September 2024, footwear must be polishable black shoes. Students will not be permitted to wear black trainers. The following shoes are examples of what the school deems to be acceptable, suitable and appropriate footwear for school. They are examples of traditional black school shoes that can be polished which complement our smart uniform and our high standards of personal dress and presentation. Shoes should have a shoe sole, not a trainer type sole. We hope the following points of clarification are helpful.

Acceptable	Not Acceptable
	<p>All black trainers or trainer type shoes with a trainer sole are not permitted</p> <p>White or coloured sole is not permitted.</p> <p>Vans or similar canvas shoes. Patent gloss shoes with a trainer type sole are not permitted.</p> <p>No designer logos (e.g. Adidas or Nike)</p>

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Guidance on Bags

Each child is provided with a smaller locker, which can hold a PE bag and a coat. Children will place their book bag with their reading book, homework resources and letters to parents in their drawer. Lockers cannot fit two bags and this becomes a health and safety risk if lockers do not shut.

From September 2024, children will be required to arrive at school with a book bag, PE bag and a water bottle daily.

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<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: center;"> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>Book Bag</p> </div> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>PE Bag</p> </div> </div>	<div style="text-align: center;">  </div> <p>Backpacks do not fit in our school lockers. This is a health and safety risk.</p> <p>Please support school by not purchasing large backpacks.</p> <p><b>No backpacks will be allowed in school.</b></p>

Failure to meet expectations for acceptable footwear

To avoid disruption to teaching and learning, children that present in footwear that does not meet West Park standards will borrow a pair of black plimsols to wear in school and parents or carers will be contacted to provide their child with suitable school footwear.

Backpacks will not be allowed into schools. Parents will be asked to take the bag home on arrival to school if children arrive with backpacks in September.

Our system is similar to other local schools and is designed to ensure our high standards of presentation are maintained. The full support of parents and carers is expected. Any families that are not able to meet the costs of uniform should contact the school office for further support.

Yours sincerely,



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<b>Uniform Checklist (Year 6)</b>	
	White shirt with collar
	Green V-neck sweatshirt (branded or unbranded)
	Green and Gold Tie
	Grey Trousers or skirt
	Black (leather/leather style) shoes
	If applicable, Black or grey hijab <i>This must be shoulder length/over the head. Long scarves are dangerous in school.</i>
<b>PE Checklist</b>	
	White T-shirt (branded or unbranded)
	Green shorts
	Black Jogging bottoms
	Black pumps (Indoor) optional
	Trainers (Outdoor)
<b>Equipment</b>	
	West Park Book Bag
	PE Bag
	Water Bottle
	Coat

