



Traditional **Values** Contemporary **Aspirations** Creative **Curiosity**

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Dear Parent/Carer

I wrote to you in March, to confirm that we will be continuing with our use of our Malet Lambert based logo on all trousers and skirts, as a result of the positive impact it has had on the standard of our uniform. The logo we will be using will be the same discreet size as last year, but with a slight simplification to the design. This is being done to avoid any clash with the new house system logos; uniform items with the original logo will continue to be accepted.

We are not asking any of our parents to shop at **Steadyschoolwear**, although our figures suggest that more than half of our parents do so. Some of the many advantages of purchasing uniform items from **Steadyschoolwear** include package deals to parents, which considerably lower overall costs, and late night shopping events which are exclusive to Malet Lambert parents. We will be texting links with more details in the coming days. According to many parents, the quality of the uniform offered by the uniform shop is such that it invariably lasts longer than that which is bought elsewhere.

The new location of **Steadyschoolwear** is **29 Holderness Road**; there are good parking facilities, the shop is better placed than ever before and is more convenient for most of our parents.

Any trousers and skirts purchased directly from the uniform shop will have the logo attached free of charge. This is a commitment that we are making on items that are bought elsewhere and then brought into the school for approval, until the end of the first term of 2017/18. From 1st January 2018, there will be a small charge of 20p per logo to cover the costs of putting logos onto items *not* purchased from the uniform shop. For more details about the uniform shop, including their telephone number, please see their website at: www.steadyschoolwear.co.uk.

In March, we also advised you of some important dates when we are offering to check trousers and skirts purchased other than from the uniform shop; for clarity, these are shown again below.

June 2017	July 2017	August 2017
Tuesday 20 th 3:30pm - 6:00pm	Thursday 13 th 3:30pm - 6:00pm	Wednesday 9 th 7:00am - 1:00pm
Thursday 29 th 3:30pm - 6:00pm		Thursday 24 th 7:30am - 11:30am
		Thursday 31 st 7:30am - 6:00pm

Please remember: we must see the child wearing the relevant item of uniform before the logo can be applied. Skirts must be plain black and at least knee length; trousers must also be plain black. Neither of these items should be at all tight-fitting and should not be of a fabric which may ‘cling’.

A detailed uniform check will be carried out on the first day back to school, Tuesday 5th September 2017. Any pupil whose uniform is not compliant must have a specific, dated note from home, to avoid the loss of their lunch time on the first day back.

On other uniform related matters; as we look forward to warmer weather, we are asking that all pupils arrive to their lessons wearing their blazers, but we will not expect them to be worn around the building or during social times. We will continue to maintain our high expectations around uniform in this final half-term and would politely remind you of the importance of pupils bringing very specific, and dated, notes from home, on those occasions when they have missing, or non-compliant, uniform items. This will avoid any possibility of the pupil being sanctioned.

An important change for parents/carers to be aware of is that **all** facial piercings **and retainers** are banned entirely, with effect from Tuesday 5th September 2017. Please do bear this in mind in any decisions you may make going forward. We will continue to allow one pair of **small, stud** earrings; **hoop style** earrings **will not** be permitted.

We look forward to a great end to the year and, as always, we encourage you to get in touch with us, initially through your child's form tutor, with any questions or queries. All of our tutors' e-mail addresses are on our website, for your convenience.

We thank you for your continued support and we look forward to working with you closely in this final half-term and beyond.

This letter will be placed on our website, handed to pupils and e-mailed out to ensure that all parents receive it.

Yours faithfully



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