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**Bradford Forster Academy**  
A Church of England Academy



July 2025

Dear Parents and Carers

## **Update Following Consultation on Proposed School Uniform Changes**

I am writing to inform you of some important updates regarding our school uniform policy, which will come into effect from **September 2025**.

After careful consideration and consultation, we have decided to implement new uniform expectations. This decision has been made to promote a greater sense of unity, discipline, and pride within our school community, as well as to ensure consistency and a professional appearance for all students. Taking on board your comments, we have decided that to keep costs down, the only change to the uniform for students moving up to year 11 in September is the replacement of the school blazer with a school sweater. The current dark blue tie and PE kit may still be worn.

The key points on the uniform policy from September 2025 for our year 10 into year 11 students are as follows:

- All students will be required to wear a **black sweater embroidered with the school logo**
- The current school tie will be a compulsory item, to be worn correctly at all times
- Shirts/blouses must be plain white and tucked in
- Trousers must be plain black with no denim or fashion elements - no leggings or jersey fabric
- Footwear will be limited to plain black, shoes, or trainers with no visible branding
- Hair accessories and headscarves must be black. No other head coverings are permitted, including durags (do-rags).
- Students should only have natural hair colour and no extreme haircuts.
- Other than a wristwatch, no costume jewellery may be worn. Students with pierced ears may wear one pair of small plain gold or silver studs (one stud per ear in the lower lobe, looped earrings are not allowed).
- No facial and body piercings are acceptable.
- Make up should be minimal and natural, fake eyelashes & false nails are not allowed in the academy.
- The PE kit will remain the same as it is now.

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Uniform will be sold via ParentPay on our website and will be available for collection from school at allotted times.

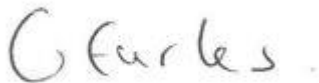
We understand that changes to uniform policies can sometimes require adjustments for families. We believe these changes will foster a more consistent and positive learning environment for all students. A consistent uniform helps to:

- **Promote equality:** Reducing pressure on students regarding fashion choices.
- **Enhance school identity:** Fostering a stronger sense of belonging and pride.
- **Improve discipline:** Creating a more structured and respectful atmosphere.
- **Prepare for the future:** Instilling habits of smart presentation relevant for future careers.

We appreciate your cooperation and support in upholding these new expectations. We are confident that these changes will benefit all members of our school community.

If you have any questions or require clarification, including accessing the hardship fund, please do not hesitate to email [info@bfa.bdat-academies.org](mailto:info@bfa.bdat-academies.org).

Yours sincerely



Gemma Earles  
Principal