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Dear Parents and Carers

RE: Uniform reminder

Thank you for your continued support regarding uniform. We have noted excellent compliance with the policy this year and we thank you for ensuring you send your child/ren into school in the correct uniform.

Having said this, there are still some areas which need improvement, namely:

Make-up

Make-up must be modest and discreet (no lipstick, false eyelashes, acrylic nails).

Socks and tights

Socks or tights must be plain black (navy not accepted).

School bags

It has come to my attention that many students are using handbag-style bags. Please see below images which clarify the type of bag which is suitable for school. We have a strong preference for a plain black backpack from January 2021, though this will not be enforced in line with our Uniform Policy until September 2021.

School shoes

A reminder that any trainer-style shoes are not permitted as part of our uniform policy except for PE. I have included images for clarity around permitted footwear. Any unacceptable footwear will continue to be sanctioned in line with our Behaviour Policy; this might involve a pupil being sent home to rectify the uniform infringement or be placed in our Behaviour Improvement Room until such time as the issue is resolved.

If you are buying new shoes for your child, please contact the school if you are in any doubt. You could send us a picture or website link to help.

Finally, we are pleased to announce that, as of Monday 30th November, we will be offering second hand uniform for parents and carers suffering financial hardship and/ or if you would prefer this as an eco-friendly alternative. Please contact Laurel White at laurelwhite@hackneynewschoolcst.org or your child's Head of Learning for further details concerning this.

If you foresee any problems with your child's uniform or should you require any clarification, you should contact your child's Head of Learning for advice.

Thank you for your support in ensuring these expectations are met.

Kind regards,

Hannah McDermott
Assistant Headteacher

