



Tuesday 16 May 2023

Dear Parent/Carer

## RE: Uniform Consultation Outcome

We are taking the opportunity to write to you with an update on the outcome of the recent uniform consultation, which we shared in the headteacher update letter dated 4<sup>th</sup> May 2023. We would like to thank the students, parents/carers and staff members that took the time to vote in relation to the change of school skirt.

### Process

All the votes have been collated and broken down into sub-categories; this is to allow us to establish which sub-groups have voted for which skirt. It is also to ensure there it is a fair process and outcome for everyone within the school community.

This process has also provided us with the opportunity to educate our students around the importance and significance of participating responsibly through a democratic approach.

### Results

Stakeholder	% that voted	Skirt 1	Skirt 2	Skirt 3
Students Year 7 & 8	84% of females 33% of males	75%	1%	24%
Parents/carers	83% of parents/carers	95%	2%	3%
Staff	74% of staff	94%	2%	4%

### What does this mean?

The overwhelming majority of stakeholders who participated in the voting have opted for skirt one. This will become the new school skirt, and from September 2023, it will be compulsory for the current Year 7 and new intake of Year 7 students, if students choose to wear a skirt. From September 2024, it will be compulsory for all students in years 7-10 during that academic year.

This item, along with other items of our school uniform, are available from

- Trutex Schoolwear and More, Sugar Mill Retail Park Plymouth (online option available)
- South West Uniforms, Mayflower Street, Plymouth (online option available)

### Support

We would like to remind all parent/carers that if you foresee any funding concerns with regards to purchasing the skirt or indeed any other item of uniform for your child, that you contact the school to discuss this - we will endeavour to support wherever possible.

We would like to clarify the school uniform policy around trousers. Trousers are an option for **all** students and the guidance on the school website states; 'Trousers - plain, dark grey formal

tailored school or suit style trousers. Alternatives such as jeans/denim, cottons, leggings, or jeggings are not permitted.'

We are committed to establishing a culture of excellence within our school community, the ambition is that our uniform is of a high standard and is worn correctly by every student who attends Plymstock School. We thank you for your continued support.

Kind regards



Alan Yendell  
Headteacher

