



PHILIP MORANT

SCHOOL & COLLEGE

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22nd October 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

This morning, the school was impacted by a widespread internet service disruption which affected our emails, computer systems and phones for a short while. The system was restored by 9.30am and all systems are now back up and running. If you had tried to call or email the school first thing this morning, please accept our apologies for not being able to respond.

This is a midweek letter to confirm arrangements for Friday this week.

Non uniform day and charity donations

On Friday 24th October we will be having a non uniform day. This is in recognition of black history month and all students are welcome to dress in cultural dress on the day. During this month, we have had a guest from African Families in the UK working on a black history exhibition with our students. In return for their support, our non uniform day will raise money for the work of African families in the UK. We will be collecting donations via ParentPay.

Students may wear any cultural dress that they identify with.

All clothing must be appropriate to the learning atmosphere. This includes:

- Shorts, skirts and dresses, if worn, must fit closer to the knee than the hip. No items should be see-through.
- Leggings, if worn, must not become see-through when stretched and should ideally be worn with a top, of at least mid-thigh length.
- Any items of clothing must be respectful - so not contain any slogans or messages that do not convey our school vision of belonging.
- Expectations regarding jewellery, piercings and makeup remain the same as normal
- **All usual lesson equipment and/or kit and lanyard must still be brought to school. If you don't have your lanyard you will have to wait to get lunch.**

Donated outgrown uniform items

If you are having a clothing cleanse during the half term break and find items of uniform that no longer fit. We are very grateful to receive any outgrown uniform clothing items to support other families. It is very helpful to accept ties, jumpers, skirts, grey trousers, blazers or PE Kit. This can be dropped off at the front office reception at any time.

There will be our normal weekly letter on Friday this week

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Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'S Neill'. The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'S' and a small 'Neill'.

Mrs S Neill
Headteacher