

15<sup>th</sup> January 2024

Dear parent/ carer

Following consultation with the College's Student Council and governing body, I am writing to inform you of our intention to make a uniform change in September 2024 by introducing a new style skirt.

Our current Uniform Policy states that students can wear a black "classic" style skirt that is either straight or pleated, they should not be tight or made of stretchy fabric, and the hem of the skirt should be no more than 10cm above the knee. This has proven particularly difficult to enforce and compliance with the policy has been low. It has also been challenging for both parents and the College to manage, taking up valuable time and resources that could be better used invested in our children's teaching and learning.

We have therefore researched a number of options to address the ongoing issues we have with student skirts and would like to introduce a checked kilt-style skirt, as shown below, from September 2024 for all year groups (Year's 7 to 11). By changing our skirt to something that is more unique, we hope to make it more straightforward for everyone.



The intended change from September 2024 is as follows:

<b>Year 7 to 11 students - options to wear:</b>
A checked kilt-style skirt which can be purchased from the College's designated uniform supplier.
Plain, black "classic" style trousers. These should be straight legged and not tight. There should be no large belts, zips on the sides or buckles and belts should be plain black. Trousers should not be made out of a denim fabric, chinos or leather.
Plain black "city" shorts or tailored black shorts. Not cargo style or sports shorts.

We of course welcome feedback from parents and carers about this change and invite you to use the email address [uniform@torpoint.cornwall.sch.uk](mailto:uniform@torpoint.cornwall.sch.uk) to share your thoughts and ideas with us. The closing date for feedback is Friday 26<sup>th</sup> January 2024.

Thank you, in advance, for your support.

Yours sincerely,



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Headteacher