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Dear Parents/Carers,

## School Uniform (including PE kit) - important information

In line with the majority of primary schools in the country, at RMPA we require children to wear a school uniform. We know that uniform:

- Reduces distractions
- Promotes equality and the sense of being part of a team
- Is practical for everyday use

At Robert Mellors, our uniform is representative of our school values of teamwork, responsibility and respect.

We have made a decision to make some changes to our school uniform policy which I am pleased to be sharing with you now. This change will affect children in years 5 and 6 from September 2021.

We feel that by making these changes for our oldest children, we will enhance their sense of responsibility. They will be easily identifiable as the children in school who we most expect to be positive role models for younger children. They will also be more prepared for life at secondary school, where the expectations for uniform are even higher.

From September 2021, uniform for children in years 5 and 6 will be as follows;

- Black trousers/skirt/pinafore dress
- White button-down shirt
- Maroon/grey clip-on tie (which school will buy for each child)
- Maroon v-neck sweatshirt/cardigan
- Maroon/white checked summer dress
- Black shoes/boots











This will be the design for our tie – it differs to that in the photographs above.



## Things to note;

- Sweatshirts **must** have a v-neck to work with the shirt and tie combination
- V-neck sweatshirts and cardigans with the school logo can be purchased from Just Schoolwear <a href="https://just-schoolwear.co.uk/product-category/robert-mellors-primary-nursery/">https://just-schoolwear.co.uk/product-category/robert-mellors-primary-nursery/</a>
- V-neck sweatshirts **without a logo** can be purchased through school at a cost of £7.25 White school shirts can be bought at supermarket and other high street shops

We will buy and provide a tie for each child. The ties will be given to the children at the end of term – this will symbolise their next step in their school journey. If you wish to buy your child another tie, they can be bought through the school office or Just Schoolwear.

We are aware that there are children in school who have specific sensory needs linked to a special educational need. If this is the case, we understand that we may need to make reasonable adjustments to the uniform requirements as appropriate. We will be very happy to discuss solutions with you designed to support your child. Please don't hesitate to contact myself or Dr Hussain at school.

## PE uniform

In September, we will continue to expect children to come to school wearing their kit on the days PE is timetabled for them. As the children will be wearing their kit as uniform, we feel that it is very important that they follow the same expectations as their other school uniform.

Our expectations for PE kit are as follows:

- Plain black joggers/leggings/shorts/skort
- Plain white t-shirt
- Plain black/grey/maroon sweatshirt or hoodie
- Trainers (not plimsolls)

PE uniform should not have any logos or flashes of bright colours.

Your child's class teacher will let you know the days that they are expected to wear their PE kit to school.

If you wish to order sweatshirts from school, please contact the school office.

To order uniform items from Just Schoolwear, you can contact them on the phone on 0115 9652869 or via their website https://just-schoolwear.co.uk/

Best regards,

Mrs Essex

