



WEST LEA SCHOOL

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Dear Parent/Carer

Just a short note to welcome you back to the newly designated West Lea Sports College after the long holiday and to thank you all for your patience re the drive.

New pedestrian access: Please find enclosed a map of the new pedestrian entrance to the school. Can everyone please ensure that they use the designated footpaths, these have been laid for maximum safety. New security gates are soon to be erected at the end of the West Lea drive and only cars with passengers who have significant physical needs will be allowed access, therefore please can all others park in the surrounding local streets.

Contact: Please also find enclosed a school calendar. This will be published on the website but due to unforeseen circumstances may change during the academic year so please keep checking. We also want to try to be as paper free as possible and therefore request that you fill in the slip attached with your mobile phone and email details so that we can keep our records up to date and will be contacting you wherever possible through these mediums

Uniform: West Lea School does have a uniform policy which I have also enclosed; please can you ensure that your child comes to school in the correct uniform each day.

Mobile phones: In this technological age I know that many pupils have a mobile phone. That's great; however, please can you remind them that they must hand it in to reception at the start of the day (except Dutoit and Enfield classes).

Residentials: After last year's very successful residentials we are going to be organising these again in 2011. With the inevitable budget cuts we will be unable to subsidise these as heavily as we did last year, so we have decided to collect the money in instalments over the next 10 months. Further details and information will be sent out shortly.

Absence from school: If your child is going to be absent please inform the school by 10:00 am on the day of absence. Any prearranged appointments must also be advised in advance. Permission to take your child on holiday during school term must be obtained from the Headteacher well in advance.

Let's hope this year is as successful as last and that we all continue to work together to get the best possible outcomes for all the children and young people. Please remember that my door is always open should you have any concerns.

Yours faithfully

Sue Tripp
Headteacher

To: Julian Halford, West Lea College
Contact Details (please print):

Pupils Name: _____

Mobile telephone and email address:

1st Contact number _____ Name _____

Email address _____

2nd Contact number _____ Name _____

Email address _____

WEST LEA SCHOOL UNIFORM POLICY

The children at West Lea School are proud of being a part of the school. The governors, parents and staff together believe that wearing a school uniform enhances this feeling of belonging. We also believe that school uniform prevents the inevitable loss of self-esteem caused to individual children should a family not be able or willing to provide the newest, most expensive or most fashionable clothing and equipment.

From time to time, some issues of safety and comfort for individual pupils which may necessitate some changes to the normal uniform can be taken into consideration.

For these reasons the school asks that the uniform detailed below be followed:

Children will wear the school uniform as stated in the table below. Items should be plain avoiding large logos/ patterns and have some form of discreet personal identification such as a label with the child's name written on it.

Girls Boys

Navy blue/black trousers/tracksuit

bottoms or skirt

Navy blue/black shorts for summer

Gingham dress, blue and white

Navy blue/black trousers/tracksuit bottoms

Navy blue/black shorts for summer

White or pale blue shirt, or white polo top

Navy blue v-necked jumper or cardigan

Navy blue sweatshirt

White or pale blue shirt, or white polo top

Navy blue v-necked jumper

Navy blue sweatshirt

Sports Uniform

Navy blue shorts/tracksuit bottoms

White or pale blue polo tops or T-shirts

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Navy blue shorts/tracksuit bottoms

White or pale blue polo tops or T-shirts

Outdoor Wear

Dark coloured coat or anorak.

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- no jewellery should be worn to school except for: one pair of stud earrings (no multiple studs), a single small religious symbol will be permitted and respected and a small plain watch.

- sensible, black or dark coloured plain safe shoes/trainers, in Science and Technology classrooms, footwear must provide adequate protection against heavy objects and be impervious to hot or corrosive liquids.

- trainers for PE should not have flashing heels.

- caps or hats are not to be worn inside any part of the school building.

- traditional head wear associated with learners' own religious practices is permitted.

- discreet make-up will be allowed for years 11 and 12 only.

- Year 12 do not need to wear uniform, however they are expected to wear smart/casual appropriate clothing and adhere to the above points.

New Pedestrian access to West Lea School
via Hazelbury School

