



7 July 2022

Dear Parents / Carers,

Pre-Owned School Uniform Appeal

We are proud of the high standards of school uniform at The King's School. Our students are expected to achieve standards of excellence in all areas of school life and a high standard of uniform supports excellent behaviour, equality amongst young people and reflects the pride that our students have in being part of the school community.

We know that secondary school can be an expensive time for our families, most considerably when purchasing uniform items, and, as such, we would like to build capacity to be able to offer a pre-owned uniform service to families. By making pre-owned uniforms available not only can we help to support our families but we can also help towards achieving net zero carbon emissions. In the UK, an estimated 350,000 tonnes of clothes end up in landfill every year and encouraging families to use pre-owned uniform can reduce waste and bring down emissions from manufacturing new garments, while making it cost-effective for families.

In order to make this possible, we are requesting donations of pre-owned uniform if items have been outgrown. These can include blazers, shirts, skirts, trousers, PE kit and shoes. All donations of good condition uniform can be made to the main reception at The King's School on our last day of term, Thursday 21 July 2022.

To help facilitate this day, Thursday 21 July 2022 will also be a non-uniform day for students.

We will hold a pre-owned uniform day in the school holidays on **Tuesday 23 August 2022, 9.00am - 3.00pm**. Any families who would benefit from this offer are welcome and should sign in with their child at our main reception. Families will then be directed to the pre-owned uniform store and students will be able to try on items of uniform. Pre-owned uniform will be free to our families who are most in need and attend on the day. Unfortunately, however, we cannot guarantee there will be uniform to fit your child as it is solely dependent on donations. From September 2022 pre-owned uniform will be available by making an appointment via our school reception.

We thank you in advance for your support, so we can assist our families who are most in need while also contributing to making The King's School a more sustainable school.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,

Mr D Pinto
Headteacher