

18th January 2022

Dear Parent/Carer,

Uniform review- request for your help

I am writing to invite you to take part in a survey of our uniform requirements. This survey will form part of a wider consultation and uniform review. The survey is open from 18th January to 31st January (midday). To take part, parents/carers and students should fill out the surveys linked below. Please do encourage your child(ren) to take part. Staff will also be asked for their feedback separately.

Link to parent/carers survey: <https://tinyurl.com/ksh-uniform-survey-parents>

Link to student survey: <https://tinyurl.com/ksh-uniform-survey-students>

What exactly is happening?

We are asking for feedback on the school's uniform policy from parents/carers, students and staff to help inform any decisions we may take about changing our uniform requirements. Initially we are asking you to fill out a survey to give us your opinions. We will later hold focus groups with some parents/carers, students and staff to discuss uniform and any proposed changes in more detail. You will have the option to sign up for a focus group once you have completed the survey. We are also reviewing the cost of our uniform separately.

Our Governing Body and the Russell Education Trust will then take a decision on whether any uniform requirements should change. We will write to parents/carers to let you know the outcome of the consultation in due course.

What does the review cover?

The review will take feedback on all aspects of our uniform, but will focus primarily on shirts, trousers/skirts, ties, PE kit and shoes. We do not intend on making any changes to our requirement for students to wear a blazer, or to our school logo or branding/colours. Many other elements of the uniform requirement are open to feedback and suggestions however.

Why are we doing this?

The school's current uniform was designed by our founding parents. When designing the uniform they set out the ideals that the uniform would be practical, smart, affordable and ethically sourced. They also identified our school colours and logo.

We are required to review our uniform policy from time to time to ensure that it is affordable, and we are aware that parents/carers and students will want to feedback their thoughts and feelings

on the current uniform requirements. This review ties together all of these requirements to get feedback and will help us to ensure that any changes we do make are informed by our community.

What will happen and when?

- Survey dates: Tuesday 18th January- Monday 31st January (midday)
- Focus group dates: w/c 28th Feb and 7th March
- Governor review: 6th April 2022
- Report to parents: April/May 2022
- Any proposed changes implemented: September 2022

I trust that the above is clear, but if you have any questions about this consultation please contact me via head@kingschoolhove.org.uk. Uniform is a very important part of our school identity, and we know that it is important to our students and their families, so we are grateful for your support and input on this matter.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Sarah Price', written in a cursive style.

Sarah Price
Headteacher