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Results from Uniform Consultation

Changes to Uniform Policy for September 2022

We would like to thank everybody who took the time to contribute to the recent consultation regarding school uniform. We really appreciate your input, and it was lovely to see staff, pupils, parents and governors taking the time to have a say in school's Uniform Policy.

We are pleased to announce that following the feedback from the uniform consultation that the governors **unanimously** accepted the proposal to amend the uniform policy from September 2022.

Please find below a summary of the consultation results, the key responses and our school's response to these.

Background

Following a review of our current school uniform, a consultation opened on Monday 17th January 2022. The school community of Cheadle Catholic Infant School was invited to complete an on-line survey to inform the decision about whether to retain the existing uniform or move to a new one. The one proposed change to the uniform was to replace the school tie and white shirt/ blouse with a yellow polo shirt.

Consultation

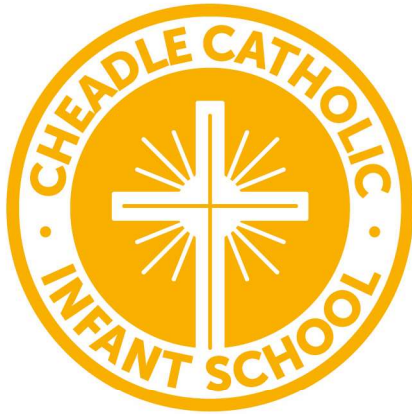
The Consultation was open between 17-31 January 2022. Feedback was collated and presented to the governing body for a final decision to be made.

Summary

	No. of responses	Option 1	Option 2
Pupils	267	68	199
Parents, Carers, Staff, Governors	262	95	167

Option 1 = No change to existing uniform policy
Option 2 = yellow polo shirt introduced





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Feedback

Please see below a summary of the parental feedback.

The majority of our respondents supported the proposal of changing our school uniform for September 2022, so that all children wear a yellow polo shirt, instead of the white shirt and tie. There were however some valid points expressed by **parents**, which fell into following categories.

Appearance: There were some concerns about the smart appearance of pupils and the history of Cheadle Catholic being compromised.

Our response – We agree with maintaining high standards at Cheadle Catholic Infant School, although we do recognise the need to move with the times and changes made to the curriculum (such as more outdoor learning and forest school). Despite a number of concerns noted in this category, many responses received also confirmed that whilst the shirts and ties look smart in the mornings, this is not the case by the end of the school day. Shirts and ties can also be restrictive to some children. Many responses also indicated that the school image and ethos is more clearly visible through content pupils who are comfortable and ready to learn, rather than through the uniform alone.

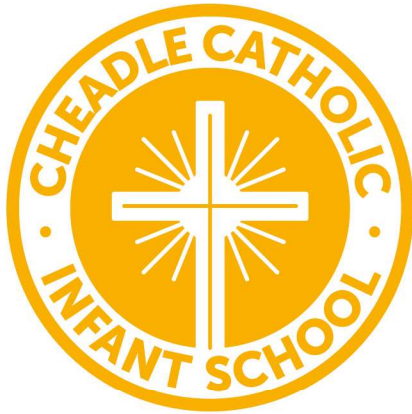
Colour/Style: There were some concerns about colour variations of yellow polo shirts

Our response - We acknowledge that there are variations to the colour of yellow polo shirts available from different suppliers. Recognising the financial pressures at present, we intend to be flexible on this to ensure that parents/carers have the option to 'shop around' and to ensure that our school uniform remains inclusive..

Environmental issues: There were some concerns about the environmental impact of wasted uniform.

Our response – We are also concerned about this ourselves. A reminder that the Junior School uniform will not be changing, and so when the children move to the Junior School they still will be required to wear a shirt/blouse and tie. We will review options for collecting any donated old uniform and make sure that it is either recycled or sent to a country where the need is greater.





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School Fleece:

Parents enquired about the possibility of a black school fleece similar to the Junior one.

Our uniform suppliers will be stocking plain black fleeces in Infant sizes. These will be optional to purchase.

Final Outcome

Following the consultation, the Governing Body agreed to the amended school uniform policy on **Wednesday 2nd February 2022** and the proposed changes will be implemented for September 2022.

A **school uniform** should be inclusive and practical for all pupils, to ensure they are comfortable and ready and prepared to learn.

Confirmation of the new Uniform Policy will be shared as soon as possible, and published on the school website.

Once again, thank you to everyone who took the time to respond so thoughtfully to the Consultation and thank you in advance to parents/carers for their support in maintaining high standards at Cheadle Catholic.

We are confident that the changes to the school uniform will have a positive impact on learning at Cheadle Catholic Infant School.

Kind regards,

Mrs Glynn (Headteacher)

Mrs Nugnes (Chair of Governors)

Cheadle Catholic Infant School Full Governing Body

