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Dear Parents and Carers,

I would like to take this opportunity to share some information with you about changes to our lunchtime arrangements, as well as some uniform reminders.

### Lunchtime Arrangements: updates for parents and carers

In the final half term of the academic year, we will be amending our lunchtime rotations for students in years 7-10. The updated arrangement will be timed in line with our Year 10 students who will be sitting their progression exams in June, and also to accustom each year group with the rotations which will remain in place for September.

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<b>Lunch 1</b>  12.20 to 12.50		<b>Food:</b> Canteen  <b>Indoor area:</b> Canteen  <b>Toilet:</b> Canteen		<b>Food:</b> Pod or canteen  <b>Indoor area:</b> Design  <b>Toilets:</b> Design	
<b>Lunch 2</b>  13.20 to 13.50	<b>Food:</b> Canteen  <b>Indoor area:</b> canteen  <b>Toilet:</b> Canteen		<b>Food:</b> Pod or canteen  <b>Indoor area:</b> GF Hums  <b>Toilet:</b> Ground Floor Hums		<b>Food:</b> common room  <b>Outdoor area:</b> Peace Garden

### School Uniform: reminders for parents and carers

As we move into the final half term with the warm weather, I would like to take this opportunity to remind parents and carers of our uniform policy. Wearing school uniform is an integral part of our school community in promoting positive attitudes as well as high standards.

To this end, please be reminded of our expectations of student dress code, which we are keen to revisit as part of our return to school in September and are outlined in our uniform policy which is [available on our website](#). Over the course of the last year, we have supported parents and students in making exceptions to certain uniform items due to the closure of shops, demand online and financial considerations. However, from September we will apply our policy in line with previous years and we are keen to give parents and carers sufficient notice of this.

Whilst parents are entitled to source their child's uniform from different suppliers, our uniform supplier Stitchtech <https://www.stitchtech.co.uk/> have a variety of waist sizes whilst maintaining the required length of skirts.

Additionally, Stitchtech is offering assistance to parents and carers who may be feeling the financial pressure around the cost of uniform purchases. To support, Stitchtech are making £50 vouchers available for ten families (£500 in total) which can be redeemed against NLS school uniform in-store purchases at its Leamington shop. Details of how to apply are in the poster below.

## School Uniform Support: limited offer!

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Parents and carers will need to apply to the school directly via email ([NLS@northleamington.co.uk](mailto:NLS@northleamington.co.uk)) – please provide your name and contact details.

Applications will then go into a draw and families will be contacted directly by the school.

Thank you to Stitchtech for extending this offer of support.



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To summarise our uniform expectations:

**School shoes** must not have sports logos visible. Shoes must be black and have a leather upper which is polishable. Black trainers, including 'Air Force One' trainers will **not** be permitted.

To support with cost incurred by parents, if students are in **Year 11** and have existing footwear items which are not compliant with these requirements, students will not be reprimanded as long as their shoes are leather and black. For all other students in years 7-10 this criteria will be non-negotiable unless there is a medical or Special Educational Need exemption agreed with the school.

- Hoodies are not permitted in school
- Blazers are expected be worn at all times, except in the event of hot weather and in classrooms
- Girls' skirts are expected to be no shorter than just above the knee, and with the NLS logo visible (see recommendations for skirt length on the attached uniform summary)

- Jewellery must be kept to a minimum (see attached guidance)
- We are unable to safekeep valuables for students in PE lessons, therefore students bring valuables into school at their own risk
- Whilst we appreciate that most students will carry mobile phones to/from school for safety purposes, we ask that phones and ear buds are kept in bags during the school day. Ear buds are not allowed on school site. These items will be confiscated if seen.

We will work hard to maintain good standards and ask for your support in reminding your child of this.

<b>Uniform (Compulsory for years 7-11)</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Black blazer with school logo</li> <li>• Black school trousers (no jean type trousers) or school skirt (just above the knee <b>with logo visible at all times</b>)</li> <li>• White school shirt, long or short sleeved and school tie or revere blouse (no tie required)</li> <li>• Plain black or white socks or neutral/black tights (no patterns or frills, or socks over tights)</li> <li>• Plain black, flat, polishable leather shoes (no canvas or trainer shoes with sports logo, no boots)</li> </ul>
<b>Optional items</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Navy school v-neck jumper or cardigan with logo</li> <li>• Navy ¼ zip long sleeve technical top</li> </ul>
<b>NLS PE Kit (Compulsory)</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Navy/sky reversible rugby top with school logo <b>or</b> Navy/sky sports ¼ zip sweatshirt with logo</li> <li>• Navy/sky PE sports short sleeved polo top with logo</li> <li>• Navy/sky PE jogging bottoms <b>or</b> leggings, both with NLS print</li> <li>• Navy/sky PE sports shorts <b>or</b> skort</li> <li>• Navy/sky games socks</li> <li>• Trainers suitable for sports hall and astro turf and different to school shoes</li> <li>• <b>Gum shield, shin-pads and football/rugby studded boots</b></li> </ul>

I wish all parents and carers a restful half term break.

Kind regards,

Ms H Jones