



The Chiltern School

School Uniform

Following our uniform consultation in the summer term with 98% of parents stating that the uniform adaptations were a good idea, and with the transition to one site, all pupils will now share the same school uniform. To help us make a decision around colours, we completed a pupil survey regarding the colour of our Polo T-Shirt.

After Easter pupils will need to wear a **white** polo shirt (as shown in the picture).

Early transition pupils will continue to wear the **gold** polo shirt.

A general uniform list is below:

- Suitable outdoor shoes / wellies
- Suitable indoor shoes (black trainers / plimsolls)
- Black leggings or jogging bottoms
- Black shorts in warmer weather
- School polo shirt (white / gold)
- School Sweatshirt (navy blue)
- Warm base layer (for winter)
- Waterproof trousers
- 3 in 1 Jacket

These are available from

<https://web76.secure-secure.co.uk/prestigedesignww.co.uk/live/School-Uniform/Chiltern-School/CHILTERN-Tops>



White Polo shirt for all pupils



Gold Polo shirt for Early Transitions pupils



On the way ...

To support our pupils and their families with transition, we will be sending home short videos to our families as well as social stories and providing other transitional activities in order to both show you more of our new and improved school and manage this move in the coming weeks. Your class teacher, pathway leads and SLT will be in touch via Dojo, calls and Newsletters.



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Parent and Carer Tours

We thought you might like to see some pictures of the new building.

Next half term we hope to be able to invite you to a stay and play session, where you can meet your child's teacher, see your child in their learning environment and view our new building. You will also be offered the opportunity to meet with other parents and enjoy a hot drink together. Please look out for further dates for your diary.



Transition Coffee Mornings

Our families have told us that it would be valuable to meet with other parents and carers as it can be difficult for adults to connect with others due to sending children into school via transport. To support this, we will be hosting coffee mornings in our new building on the Kingsland site. Thursday morning Coffee Mornings will begin on Thursday 21st April and run between 9.00am - 10.30am. A google form will be sent out in the coming weeks. If you would like to attend, please sign up. We look forward to seeing you there!

We also have two parent sessions planned before Easter, these will be at the Beech Road site on Thursday 24th March (9am-10.30am) and Thursday 31st March (12pm-1.30pm).





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Information Sessions

We plan to deliver information sessions for parents, led by a mixture of school staff and colleagues from other organisations. These will cover a range of subjects which have been identified by parents who have joined our coffee mornings and lunches during the term.

We plan to include sessions on Speech and Language/Communication, the Children With Disabilities Social Work Team, DWP benefits, Intensive Interaction, Play and many others. As soon as we have dates set, they will be shared with all parents.

Friday Finish Time

As most parents and carers will know, due to Covid, we made the decision that on a Friday we would end the school day for pupils at 2.00pm. This was to allow Teachers planning time, offer staff key updates and training and to provide the opportunity for staff to evaluate the week and plan or adapt your child's personalised timetable for the following week.

As this has been a real success in terms of planning and preparation time, we will continue to finish the school day on a Friday at 2.00pm as we believe that this is in the best interest of our pupils' learning needs. We base our decisions on a range of evidence and on the guidance that all children with an EHCP are entitled to 25 hours education, whereas the pupils at The Chiltern School have access to just under 30 hours per week.

