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Date: 22nd November 2024
Our Ref: DGW
Reply to: Mr Williams
At: Waterleat Road Centre

Re: Winter coats

Dear Parent/Guardian

With the weather now having turned much wetter and colder, can I please encourage all pupils to wear coats so that they both stay dry and warm.

As outlined in our uniform policy, pupils are allowed to wear coats between lessons and blazers must always be worn. Upon entry into classrooms, teachers remind pupils that they can remove both coats and blazers if they so wish and place on the back of their chairs. At the end of the lesson, teachers remind pupils to put their blazers back on. We shall also encourage pupils to put their coats back on, so they are warm as they move around the site.

As outlined in our uniform policy, a coat does not replace a blazer. A reminder as well that hoodies have never been part of the uniform and should not be worn under any circumstances. Pupils found wearing a hoodie (either zipped or the unzipped style) will have the item confiscated and returned at the end of the day. However, I strongly encourage all pupils to wear a sensible, winter style coat.

In addition, the uniform policy allows for pupils to wear the Paignton Academy knitted jumper with logo. This is a non-compulsory part of the uniform, but many pupils choose to wear these as the weather turns colder. Whilst the jumpers are non-compulsory, the compulsory blazer must again be worn. As with coats, the jumper does not replace the wearing of the blazer.

Further information on our uniform policy can be found at: [pa-uniform-policy-may-2024-1.pdf](#)

Kind regards,

Derwyn Williams
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