Chulmleigh Academy Trust

New Uniform Proposal

'Let all that you do be done in love.' —
1 Corinthians 16:14

Curious minds, caring hearts,
courageous spirits

St Thomas of Canterbury
CE Primary School, Lapford

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New Uniform - From January 2026

Rationale:

To retain links from Lapford Community School, we decided to keep red sweatshirts/cardigans. To minimise cost going forward we are keeping white shirts and black trousers/shorts.

We want our school to stand out in the local area for its wonderful behaviour, teaching and standards. Given the excellent monitoring report recently, this is already happening.

The addition of the optional tartan skirts, pinafores and ties to the uniform look very smart and are different to all the other schools in the area. The pupils at our secondary school, Chulmleigh College, always look impeccable and we wanted our St Thomas' children to have that same pride in their appearance.

As promised during the consultation on the change of name, there will be no cost to parents for this changeover. All pupils will be given one new sweatshirt or cardigan, a tie (KS2 pupils) and one skirt or pinafore (if preferred over black trousers/shorts).

Going forward, parents will be offered the opportunity to have on loan a new uniform item at a cost of only £10.00 or buy a second-hand item for £5.00 (once we have built up a stock of second-hand items). Of course, parents are also able to buy additional new uniform items from Thomas Moore, Chulmleigh Academy Trust's uniform supplier.

Reception and KS1 (Years 1 & 2)

- White polo shirt with:
- Black trousers/shorts with branded sweatshirt or...
- Tartan pinafore with branded cardigan
- White socks or red/grey/black tights

KS2 (Years 3, 4, 5 & 6)

- White shirt (long or short sleeves) with:
- Black trousers/shorts with branded sweatshirt and tie or...
- Tartan skirt with branded sweatshirt and tie
- White socks or red/grey/black tights

'Pupils demonstrate high levels of self-discipline and commitment to learning. They are consistently polite, well-mannered, and hardworking, contributing to a positive and respectful school culture.'

School monitoring visit November 2025

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