

New Uniform Proposal

A number of parents have seen our proposal for a new uniform for Montsaye students. They have indicated overwhelmingly that they like the change and would be happy to buy it for their child for September.

Please see the information below:

- Students have told us they feel like primary school children in the current uniform
- They have said they would like a smarter uniform in line with other Kettering Academies
- They want a different uniform for younger and older students

We have selected a suit to distinguish Montsaye students from other Kettering Academies who wear blazers. We have given Years 10 and 11 more freedom over the style of their uniform to reflect their growing maturity.

Please be aware:

- The girls' jacket is fitted to provide a more comfortable fit for them. It is a jacket, not a blazer.
- Years 7, 8 and 9 will wear a grey suit and jumper which can be purchased from the school suppliers Years 10 and 11 will be able to buy any black suit to wear. They do not have a badge and the suit can be purchased from any shop in any style, providing it has full length trousers and is business wear
- Years 10 and 11 are required to wear a shirt and clip on tie or both boys and girls can wear open necked shirts/blouses but will need to purchase the black school v neck jumper with their House colours instead of the tie with the house colour.
- Girls can wear either skirt or trousers in Year 7-9 providing they are purchased from the supplier. *Once the decision is made to change or not I would involve the girls in helping to choose the style(s) of skirt or trousers.*

Costs

We have done everything we can to keep costs down e.g. Year 10 and 11 uniform suit can be bought from any store as it does not have a badge. The cost of the grey suit is just a couple of pounds more than schools in Kettering charge for their uniform.

Adaption made for next year only to avoid unnecessary cost.

- *Year 11 will not need to wear a black jacket unless they wish to, but instead they will need to wear a black V-necked jumper, shirt and tie or an open neck shirt/blouse with a school jumper to denote their house.*
- *Students in Year 9 will be able to wear a black suit instead of the grey suit so that parents do not waste money buying a suit for one year*
- *Year 11 students will be given a clip on tie free of charge*

