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Dear Parents and Carers,

Active School Uniform

We're pleased to let you know that from September, Alwoodley Primary School will be moving to an active school uniform.

This change supports a more practical and comfortable approach to school clothing that better enables children to take part in physical activity, outdoor learning, and active play throughout the day.

To support this, we've worked with our local uniform supplier: 'Uniforms and More' on Cranmer Bank, who will now be stocking Alwoodley-branded hoodies, available in both zipped and non-zipped styles. We're letting you know now so you can begin to prepare for purchasing uniform ahead of the new school year.

To clarify, pupils will be expected to wear **plain** black joggers, leggings, shorts or a skirt as part of the active uniform. These should be worn with either a plain white t-shirt or polo shirt, along with a purple cardigan, sweatshirt, hoodie (zipped or non-zipped), or sports top. These items can be plain if you are able to source them in the correct colour, but for consistency and ease, 'Uniforms and More' on Cranmer Bank will stock all of these items with the school logo. Once we have images from the supplier, we will update the uniform section of our website. **Items with a visible brand logo are not permitted.**

You can read more about the thinking behind active school uniforms here: activeuniform.org

Why we're making this change:

- Affordability for families – Joggers, polo shirts and sweatshirts are often cheaper and more widely available than traditional uniform items.
- Consistency every day – No separate PE kit needed, children and families know exactly what to wear each day, simplifying routines.
- Practical for OPAL and outdoor learning – Children can move freely and stay comfortable for play and outdoor lessons.
- Teaching can be adapted more easily when children are already dressed for active participation.

We're excited about the many benefits this change will bring and believe it will make school life easier, more inclusive, and more engaging for all children.

Thank you as always for your continued support. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to get in touch.

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