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Dear Parents/Carers,

These are exciting times at Hamilton Academy with a great number of changes to make our school a place of which we can all be very proud.

I am writing to share with you the latest of these changes, the new Hamilton Academy uniform which will be introduced in August 2018 for all students in years 7-10.

It is our ambition that all students at Hamilton Academy are proud to be members of their school community and that they are able to express this in the way that they dress. Although our current uniform is an improvement on the College's previous dress code, and we have introduced a new smarter tie, it is time to signal a more formal and professional look for students.

There are four main reasons why we have taken the decision to change our uniform now:

- The cost of the current uniform is high compared to the prices we can achieve by moving to a new supplier.
- The quality of the uniform could be improved, providing better value for money for families.
- Our current uniform is not available to purchase via a local shop making it difficult for parents to secure the correct size of item for their child.
- The logo on the current uniform is no longer appropriate as the school has changed its name from Hamilton College to Hamilton Academy. The current uniform has HC on its front pocket.

The new uniform will consist of a navy blue blazer, a white shirt, the existing tie, and mid grey trousers. There is the option of a tartan skirt as an alternative to the trousers. We have also introduced an optional sweater which may be worn with the blazer. Pictures of the new uniform can be found on our website and there are two manikins wearing a combination of the new items in our main reception area.

The items which must be purchased from the supplier are the tie and the blazer. If required, the sweater and the skirt should also be purchased from the supplier. Other items providing they are the correct colour and style, may be purchased from any outlet of your choice.



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In order to support parents as we transition to our new uniform, we have been in discussions with our new suppliers, Uniform Direct, and have negotiated a transition price for existing students of £43. This package will include:

1 x blazer

2 x bottom halves (The bottom halves can consist of 2 x trousers, 2 x skirts or 1 x trouser and 1x skirt.)

You will be issued with a voucher that enables you to purchase the uniform at the package price before the start of next academic year. *This deal only applies to existing Hamilton Academy students who are going through the transition phase to the new uniform and will not be available for those starting in year 7.* Please note that to generate the voucher we will need to send Uniform Direct some basic details about your child e.g. name, date of birth and gender. This information will not be used for any purposes other than this. This offer is not compulsory and you may wish only to purchase the blazer whilst purchasing the trousers elsewhere.

We would encourage you to purchase the new uniform as soon as possible and, ideally, before the end of this academic year. This way you will be able to take advantage of the transition price. Uniform Direct have assured the school that should you then need to exchange the uniform they will happily do so.

We are very pleased with the new uniform. It is important to us that it reflects our school and is worn with pride by students, conveys our strong image of excellence and reinforces our collective identity. We look forward to seeing all our students wearing it with pride in the new academic year.

We hope you will share our enthusiasm for this change. If you have any feedback you wish to communicate with us, please do so via the following email address: uniform@hamilton-rmet.org.uk

Yours sincerely,



Ms J Gair
Principal

Girls' Uniform with skirt



Girls' Uniform with grey trousers



Blazer – Old starting price £27.95 New starting price £24.00

Boys' Uniform



Boys' Uniform with optional jumper



Uniform Direct Prices

Business Style	Price
Boys and Girls Blazers 28	£24.00
29	£24.00
30, 32, 34, 36	£26.00
31, 33, 35, 37	£26.00
38, 40	£28.00
39	£28.00
42, 44, 46	£29.00
48	£31.00
50, 52	£33.00

Girls Skirts	U/D all sizes
Skirt Lengths	20, 22, 24 up to 26W
UD (Tartan) ASU (PLAIN)	£18.00 from 28W £18.00

Girls Trousers	
Jnr From	£10.00
Snr From	£12.00

Boys Trousers	
Jnr From	£8.00
Snr From	£12.00