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Dear Parents and Carers of Year 5 children,

## YEAR 6 Responsibilities, Expectations and Uniform

Soon your children will be in Year 6, top of the school. This is an exciting time as they have the opportunity to undertake greater responsibility, whilst demonstrating the school's values of Aspiration, Compassion, Friendship, Resilience and Respect. Many children will be given a job, asked to support their peers as a Peer Mediator or maybe a Prefect in another class - whatever they decide to do the expectation is they will set a positive example to all the younger pupils throughout the school and also outside of school in the local community.

However, in Year 6 there is also an even greater emphasis on self-regulation, independence and learning as we prepare the children for Secondary School. Every moment is a learning opportunity; therefore, attendance and punctuality are incredibly important. The children will need to be at school for 8:30am each day as learning will start immediately.

Therefore, from September 2022, to distinguish our oldest children from the rest of the school they have the chance to wear a slightly more grown-up uniform, this includes a white shirt, Archbishop Courtenay tie and V-neck jumper. I am sure you have seen many of our current Year 6 children wearing them and they look incredibly smart. The ties will be provided, free of charge by the school and the V-neck sweaters will be available to purchase from Pages, Gabriel's Hill, Maidstone, our chosen uniform provider, from a date yet to be confirmed. We may also have a small number of recycled ties available at the end of this term so, please ask. White shirts can be purchased at a reasonable price from places like ASDA and Primark.

The vast majority of Year 6 children will tell you how much they enjoy their final year at primary school, because there is a certain structure, it involves teamwork and ultimately a sense of accomplishment. The children will thrive and flourish and at the end of the year they will celebrate their success in a multitude of ways, before they say goodbye.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your continued support and should you have any questions please feel free to contact me directly or a member of the school team.

Best wishes,

Sue Heather Headteacher









