

Dear Parents and Carers

Re: Uniform updates from September 2026

I am writing to inform you of some updates to our Hailsham Academy uniform from September 2026.

New government guidance and MARK Education Trust approach

The proposed Children's Wellbeing and Schools Bill, due to come into force in September 2026, requires all schools to review the number of branded items included in their uniform policy. Over the past year, our trust has taken this opportunity to carry out a full review of uniform expectations across all our schools, considering local needs as well as the changing demands of the modern working world. Our priority throughout has been to ensure that our uniform remains affordable, accessible and sustainable, while continuing to reflect our high standards, expectations and core values.

From September 2026, the following uniform items will be updated at Hailsham Academy Primary Phase, to reflect Hailsham Academy branding. Images of the updated items can be seen at the bottom of this communication.

- Sweatshirt or Cardigan
- PE top

The new uniform items must be worn by any pupils joining our school in September 2026. To minimise the cost for families, current pupils will be able to continue wearing their existing uniform next academic year.

Existing pupils also have the option to purchase the new uniform items from Monkhouse and will be required to do so when they are looking to replace their current uniform items.

Pupils who are moving into Year 7 at Hailsham Academy Secondary Phase will also be required to wear the new secondary phase items as outlined in the following letter for [Hailsham Academy Secondary Phase](#).

A summary of the branded uniform changes is set out in the table on the following page.

Please note: there are no changes to non-branded uniform items.

A complete uniform and price list can be found on the [Monkhouse website](#).

If you have any questions regarding the updates to our uniform from September 2026, please contact me in the first instance via email: PrimaryOffice@hccat.net.

Updated uniform and equipment information will be sent out in Term 6.

Thank you for noting these changes and for your ongoing support.

Yours sincerely,

Tom Redman
Headteacher

Hailsham Academy branded uniform changes from September 2026:

Item	New students joining in September 2026	Existing students
Sweatshirt or Cardigan (compulsory item)	New style Hailsham Academy sweatshirt or cardigan with logo only.	Existing sweatshirt or cardigan permitted; new replacements to be the new Hailsham Academy style.
PE top (compulsory item)	New style Hailsham Academy PE top with logo only.	Existing PE top permitted; new replacement PE top to be the new Hailsham Academy style with logo.

