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Stationery for Year Three - September 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

We know that several children already want to bring in their own pencil cases with their own stationery equipment into school to use in lessons. We believe that this can develop your child's independence and organisation skills as they move into Key Stage Two and prepares them well for secondary school.

As your child moves into Year Three, we ask that your child now brings in a named pencil case containing the following equipment:

Pencil case	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Soft material• Small enough to fit flat into an A4 draw in the classroom• <u>Without</u> excessive patterns/features (e.g. built-in calculator) to avoid it becoming a distraction
Pencil/s	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• HB pencil
Pen/s	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• A <u>black</u> handwriting pen (e.g. a Berol pen)• No biros• No roller-ball pens• No gel pens
Colouring pencils	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Basic coloured set
Ruler	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 30cm ruler that folds away into 15cm length
Rubber	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• No more than two rubbers
Sharpener	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 'Canister' type sharpener which collects pencil shavings in a pot
Green and Blue biro	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Any standard green and blue type biro (e.g. Bic or Staedtler) for children's self-editing and corrections

The guidelines are followed to ensure consistency and fairness across the academy, and much of the equipment listed above can be purchased from many supermarkets or stationery shops. All items are relatively cheap and will provide the children with a sense of responsibility to look after their own belongings and realise the value of misusing their own equipment.

One of the key changes for the children as they move into Year Three will be that they will be taught how to write using a handwriting pen and this is something we believe as an academy our children should be able to do in order to develop their flow and presentation of handwriting.

When children move into Year Three they can bring a small rucksack or other suitable bag in place of the school book bag, if they wish. The bag must be small enough to fit on their cloakroom peg. Remember that it only needs to fit a pencil case, reading books and water bottle.

We are also asking for children to bring in an old school shirt to use as an apron when required. If you have any difficulty providing the items, please do come and speak with one of the team.

We'd also like to remind you of uniform expectations here at Green Ridge. Please therefore see as follows.

Winter Uniform	
<i>From when children return from October half-term up until the Easter break</i>	
White shirt with school tie <i>(or option to wear white blouse)</i>	White blouse <i>(or option to wear white shirt with school tie)</i>
Grey trousers	Grey skirt or tunic/pinafore <i>(or option to wear grey trousers)</i>
Green V-neck jumper with logo	Green cardigan or V-neck jumper with logo
Grey, white or black socks	Grey/white socks or grey tights
Green academy fleece (optional – not to replace jumper)	
Outdoor coat	
Book bag or small rucksack (KS2)	
Black sensible shoes (no raised heels, boots or trainers)	
For PE, a house-coloured Green Ridge t-shirt is required with black shorts and trainers – A black jumper/hoodie/sweatshirt and/or black tracksuit bottoms can also be provided in the colder months	
<i>The Green Ridge PE t-shirts with logo can be purchased from Bucks Schoolwear Plus</i>	

Summer Uniform	
<i>From when children return from the Easter break up until October half-term</i>	
White shirt with school tie <i>(or option to wear white blouse)</i>	White blouse <i>(or option to wear white shirt with school tie)</i>
Grey trousers or shorts	Grey skirt or tunic/pinafore or green check gingham dress <i>(or option to wear grey trousers)</i>
Green V-neck jumper with logo	Green cardigan or V-neck jumper with logo
Grey, white or black socks	Grey/white socks or grey tights
Green academy fleece (optional – not to replace jumper)	
Outdoor coat	
Book bag or small rucksack (KS2)	
Black sensible shoes (no raised heels, boots or trainers)	
Legionnaire/baseball hat	
For PE, a house-coloured Green Ridge t-shirt is required with black shorts and trainers <i>The Green Ridge PE t-shirts with logo can be purchased from Bucks Schoolwear Plus</i>	

- Haircuts that are considered to be significantly different or cause distraction, such as tram lines etc. are not permitted. For children with long hair, please ensure that your child's hair is always tied back with hairbands which blend in with the colours of the academy uniform (green, grey, black or white), and not coloured bows, hairbands or clips.
- For any children who wear head coverings (e.g. a hijab), please ensure this is plain black in colour.
- Children with pierced ears should wear simple plain studs, and these should ideally be removed during PE lessons. If not, they will need to be covered with micro pore tape, which is to be provided by parents/carer within their child's PE kit. No other jewellery is to be worn other than a simple watch if desired.

Yours faithfully,



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