

BLACKWOOD COMPREHENSIVE SCHOOL
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Dear Parents and Carers

Year 6 Transition

11th July 2022

We are delighted that you have chosen Blackwood Comprehensive School as your secondary school. I was pleased to see so many of you at our parents and carers meeting on 5th July and I look forward to getting to know you and your child during their time with us.

Our Head of Key Stage 3, Mrs Davies, Year 7 Progress Managers, Mrs Colley and Mr Williams, and ALNCo, Mrs Rudman, have been working very closely with our primary schools to ensure that your child's move to us is as smooth and successful as possible. Year 6 pupils appeared to have thoroughly enjoyed their two transition days and I hope this has helped to alleviate any anxieties that they may have about joining us in September. We have two INSET days at the start of term, on Friday 2nd and Monday 5th September, meaning that our new Year 7 pupils will join us on Tuesday 6th September. They need to arrive in school at 8:30am.

We had a number of questions at the end of Tuesday's meeting and were able to answer nearly all of them. Additionally, we have a transition folder on our website, <http://www.blackwood.caerphilly.sch.uk/> under 'About Us', which contains lots of useful information about our school. One of the biggest queries we had was around uniform and so it will be useful to ensure you know what our uniform policy is. It consists of:

- *Grey trousers or grey knee length pleated skirt*
- *Compulsory black blazer with school badge on left hand side*
- *White blouse/shirt*
- *Optional V-neck black school jumper with school badge*
- *Plain black or navy coat*
 - *No denim, leather or leather look jackets*
 - *No hoodies*
- *Flat black leather or leather look shoes*
 - *Leather or leather look converse style shoes are acceptable but not trainers or boots.*
- *Black or white socks or black tights*
- *School clip on tie*
- *No bright or unnatural hair colours, tramlines or facial piercings.*

Items of uniform are available in store or online at Asda, Sainsbury's, Next, Matalan or M&S amongst others. Ties can be purchased from reception for £5.00 from now until the end of term. Alternatively, they can be purchased on one of our INSET days in September. If you buy a blazer without a badge, these are available in reception at no charge.



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Pupils will also need to have a PE kit and appropriate footwear for their PE lessons. This consists of:

Boys' PE kit

- *Blackwood Comprehensive School crew neck PE shirt in black*
- *Blackwood Comprehensive School reversible rugby shirt*
- *Black shorts*
- *Black rugby/football style long socks*
- *Non marking trainers, for use inside and out*
- *4G boots with plastic moulded studs (see picture below)*
- *Black sports type waterproof jacket (recommended)*

Girls' PE kit

- *Blackwood Comprehensive School crew neck PE shirt in white*
- *Black shorts*
- *White socks*
- *Non marking trainers, for use inside and out*
- *4G boots with plastic moulded studs (see picture below)*
- *Black sports type waterproof jacket (recommended)*

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Again, if any families need support with purchasing any PE equipment, then please let us know.

We are looking forward to seeing our new Year 7 pupils on 6th September. Until then, I hope they all have an enjoyable end to term in their primary schools and a lovely summer break.

Kind regards



Jane Wilkie

Headteacher/Pennaeth



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