

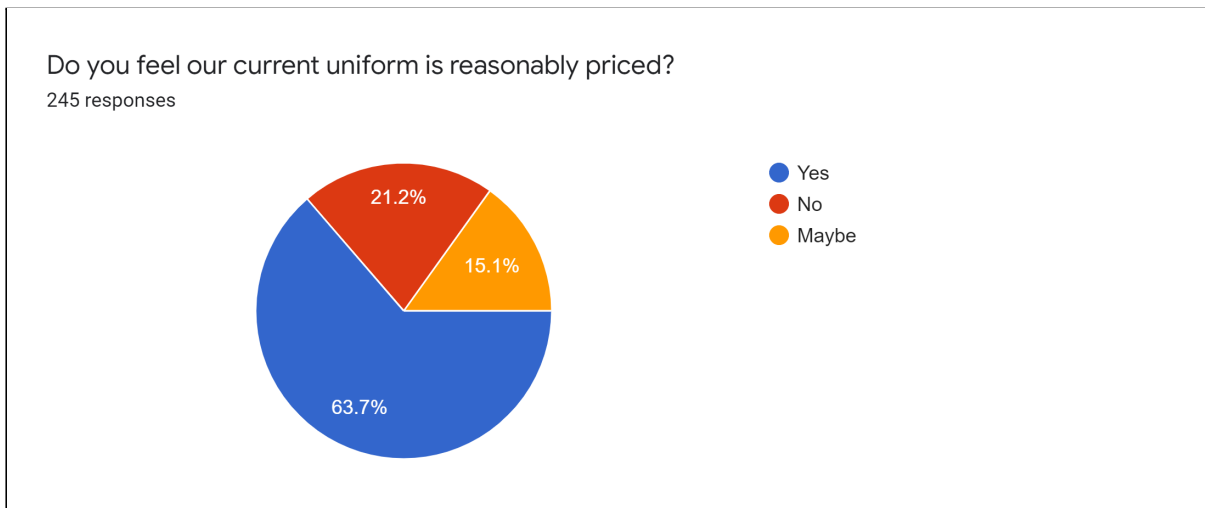


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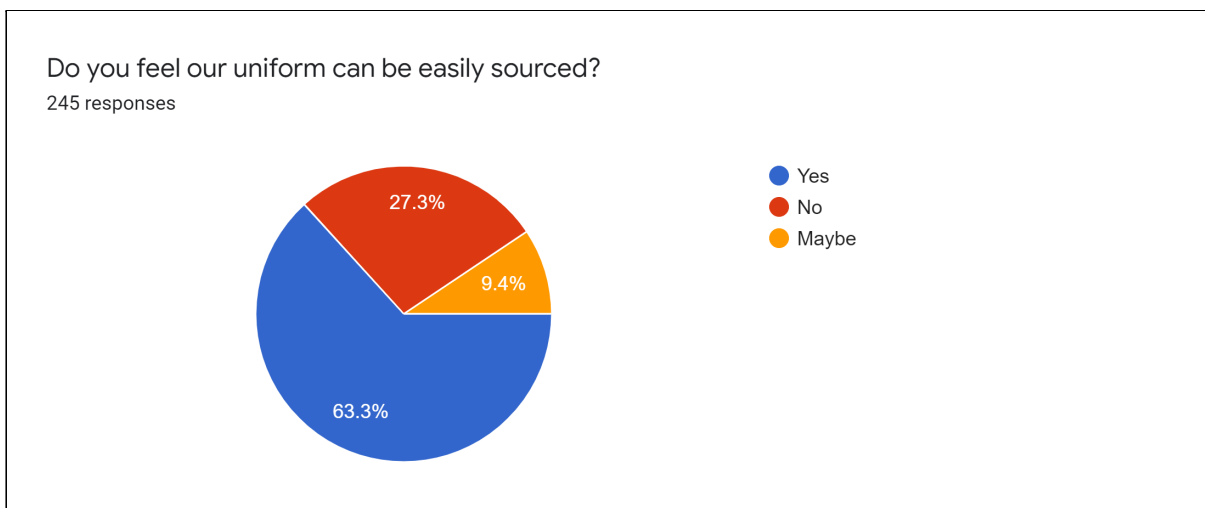
Dear Parents/Carers,

## BGLC Uniform Consultation 2022

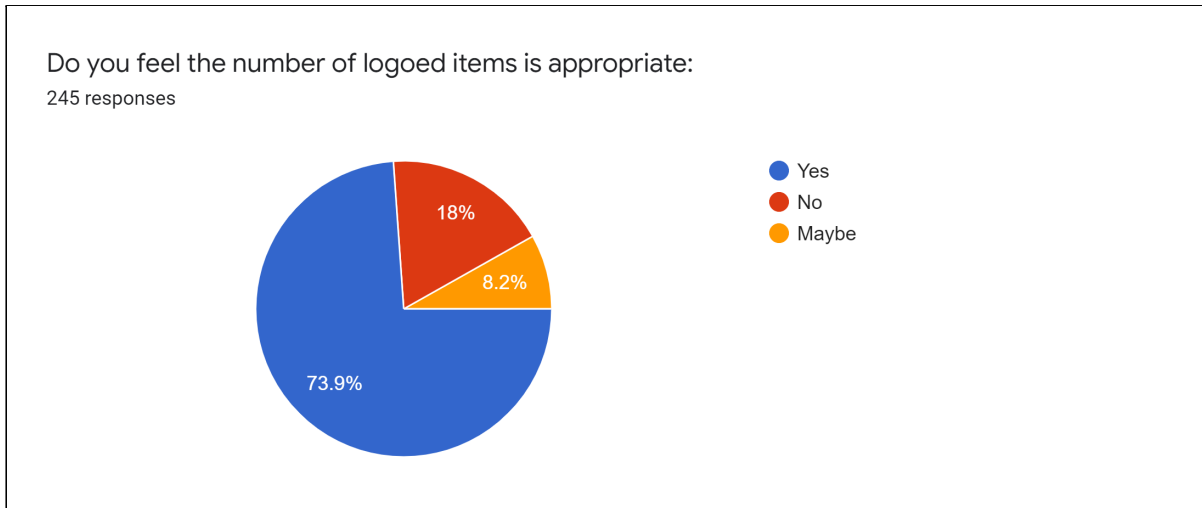
Thank you to all the parents and carers who contributed to our recent uniform survey. The results of this survey are highlighted below and some very clear trends can be seen. We are acutely aware that uniforms can create quite polarised views as many have very different philosophical views on what is and isn't appropriate for a school in the 21st century. We know we will never be able to satisfy the beliefs of everyone but it would appear the majority of parents and carers are happy with our current approach and in that regard we are planning no significant changes this year.



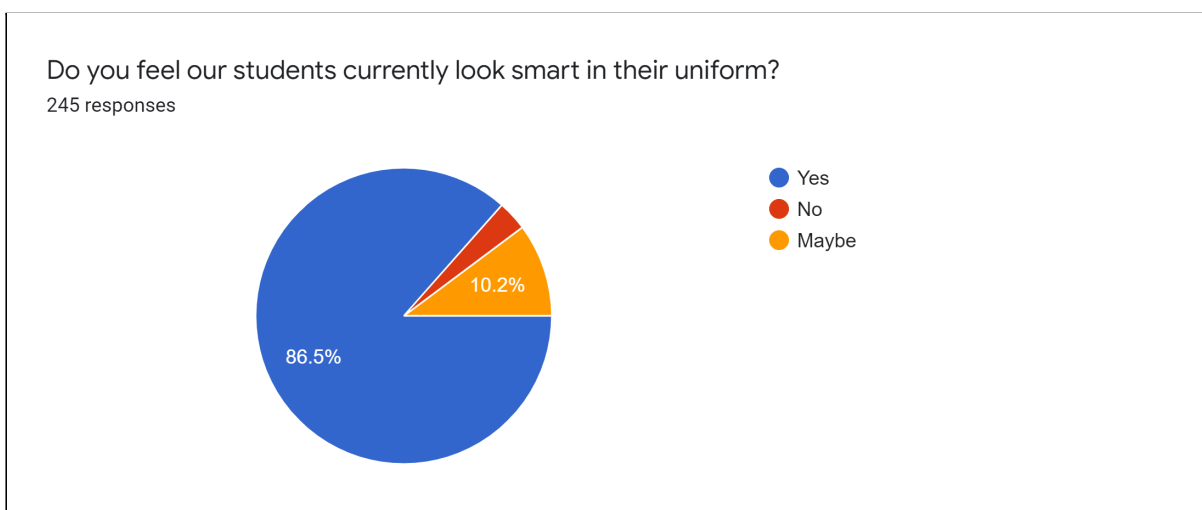
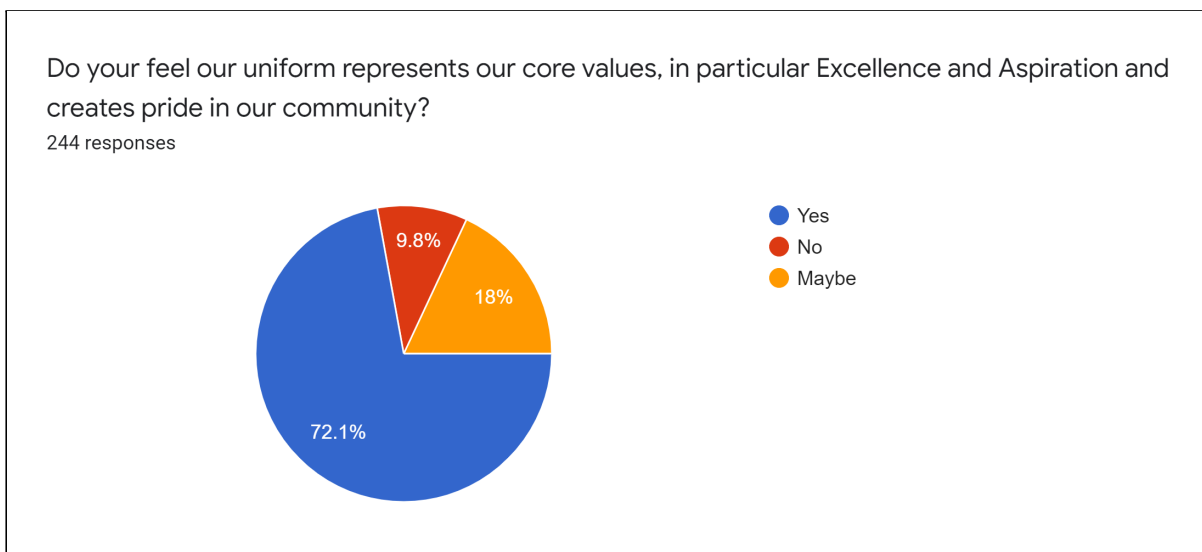
We have looked at other suppliers and their costs for the items we stock and our current supplier remains the most competitive in the local area. We work closely with this provider and share the feedback we are given so they can improve their service to our community.



Our current supplier has a web based shop and a physical shop. Many of our core items can also be sourced in many of the large national stores at very competitive prices.

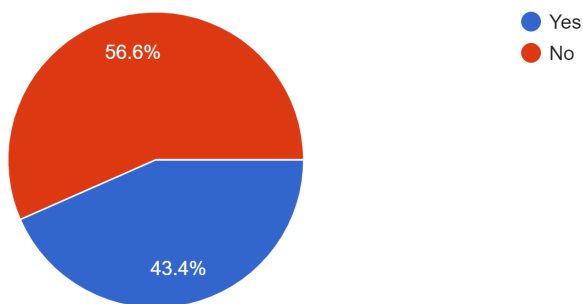


When BGLC was created in 2019 the uniform was reviewed and logoed items were minimised, as such our uniform is reasonable when compared with other schools and in some ways ahead of the national guidance that has just been issued. We feel that the balance between creating a strong identity and being cost efficient is right and it would appear the community feels the same.



Do you feel there should be any changes to our current uniform policy?

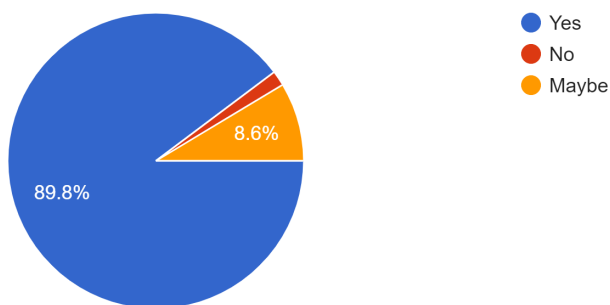
242 responses



As you can imagine the responses here were wide and varied and there were a few themes that emerged. Some felt our uniform was too strict, some felt we needed blazers and shoes. Some felt we should be stricter on jewellery and make-up and some felt students should be able to express themselves freely and a more casual approach would be better.

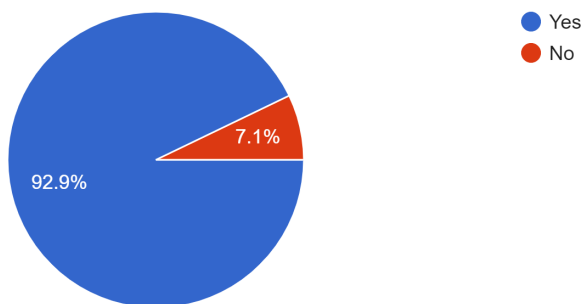
Would you be willing to donate uniform that no longer fits to the school community?

244 responses



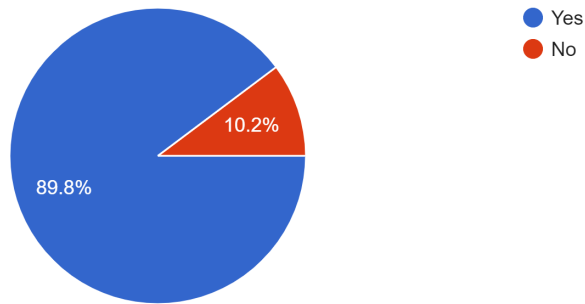
Do you feel our P16 dress code is appropriate?

210 responses



Do you feel our P16 dress code is smart enough?

205 responses



Please be assured that every comment was read and considered by SLT in forming our next steps and approach to the new legislation that has come out from the DFE. In the short term we are proposing no significant changes but will continue to ensure our uniform is adhered to and will review our approach as the school evolves.

Yours sincerely

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Headteacher