



# Griffin House Preparatory School

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## Uniform Updates for September 2024

Dear Parents,

Griffin House Preparatory School has a proud history dating back to the Ladymede days, which we believe should be reflected in the school today.

We are all very proud to be part of the Griffin community and as you know we are working very hard to raise standards in and out of the classroom and one way to really showcase this is with our uniform. As a result, we want our pupils to wear a uniform that reflects the needs of their day-to-day school life at Griffin House School, one that creates a sense of pride and represents and identifies Griffin House as a modern forward-thinking school.

Our aim has been to update and refresh the current uniform rather than radically change the style. After feedback from parents, pupils and staff, overwhelmingly we were asked to retain the individual Ladymede dresses, along with the school hats and caps, which have become much-loved items over the years, but girls wanted greater flexibility with the option to wear trousers or shorts during the summer months. We have added shorts to the girls PE kit, to allow for greater freedom of movement, along with an updated tracksuit for both boys and girls in Prep (Year 3 to Year 6).

We also identified a need to have a more functional uniform for Pre-school, so this has been modified to allow children's first experiences of education, to be more in keeping with their age and needs. Pre-school children will also have their very own "Little Griffins" polo shirts.

One of the major changes that parents wanted to see was to move away from the traditional duffle coats to a more practical option. As a result, we have added a new all-weather Griffin House School coat for all children, but the traditional duffle coat can still be worn if preferred.

Additional uniform items can now be purchased at High Street stores providing it is the correct colour and style shown in our uniform catalogue, making our uniform more affordable, but all school jumpers, cardigans, blazers and PE kit must be embroidered with the school badge.

**All badged Griffin House School uniform can continue to be worn until outgrown.**

We believe our new uniform achieves our aims, reflects our proud history and demonstrates a commitment to being at the forefront of modern fit for purpose education.

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Uniform changes from September recap:

- New “Little Griffins” Pre-school uniform
- Introduction of girl’s trousers and shorts across all year groups
- New weatherproof school coat (navy duffle coat can still be worn if preferred)
- New sports tracksuit for Prep
- Introduction of sports shorts for girls (Prep only)

We would like to introduce our new uniform supplier Clive Mark, who are preparing the “Back to School” uniform for September. All uniform requirements will be available online via their website, with free delivery and free returns.

More information about Clive Mark can be found in the accompanying flyer and via [Griffin House Preparatory School – Clive Mark](#)

Best wishes,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'Joanna Leach', written in black ink.

Joanna Leach