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Dear Parent/Carer

**School Uniform Evening – Monday, 10<sup>th</sup> June 2013**

I trust you and your family are well and that they are making good progress in school.

As you are aware at Mearns Castle we are determined to achieve excellence in every dimension of the life and work of our school. This ambition includes aspiring to the highest possible standard of school uniform.

You will hopefully be aware that from the start of this session we have made substantial improvements to the standard of our school uniform. We have maintained these improved standards throughout the session and the improvement has really enhanced the high quality ethos of our school. It is my intention that these high standards are maintained henceforth.

If necessary our school uniform standards will be enforced through daily monitoring and the use of our Uniform Store. In addition we will use our UPBEAT promoting positive behaviour scheme to ensure a high standard of uniform is maintained.

Please find enclosed a leaflet describing our school uniform standards. We designed the leaflet to ensure that everyone is clear about our required school uniform. I trust you will find this information helpful.

As part of its recently published 'Dressing for Excellence' policy East Renfrewshire Council undertook a procurement exercise to obtain a competitive cost for items of school uniform, particularly blazers. Following this exercise the contract was awarded to Mans World Glasgow.

Mans World will be hosting a Uniform Evening in the School Open Area on Monday, 10<sup>th</sup> June, from 6.00 – 9.00 pm. A price for blazers and skirts featuring the tendered price for these items, agreed within East Renfrewshire Council, is appended to this letter. Mans World is offering a 10%-25% discount on other items of school uniform (not blazers and skirts) purchased on the Uniform Evening.

All items purchased at the Uniform Evening must be paid for on the night and it is likely that all items can be taken away at that time. An arrangement will be made with Mans World whereby any items ordered that are not available on the evening will be delivered to the school to be collected during the summer break. More information on the precise arrangements for the collection of these items will follow in due course.

Mans World has also stated that should your child grow substantially during the summer break, causing items of uniform that have been purchased to no longer fit, they will be happy to exchange them provided they have not been worn.

To help avoid lengthy queues at the Uniform Evening we are requesting that, if at all possible, parents/carers attend based on their child's House group at the time indicated on the table below. If this is not possible, parents are welcome to attend at any time that is suitable but may have to accept that waiting times might be slightly longer.

<b>Monday, 10 June 2013</b>	<b>6 – 7 pm</b>	<b>7 – 8 pm</b>	<b>8 – 9 pm</b>
MCHS	Balmoral Caledonia	Gleneagles Ramsay	Sutherland Wallace
P7 Surname	B, D, E, F A, C, J, Mac	G, H, I, K M, N, O, R	Mc, S L, P, Q, T-Z

Changing areas will be available on the night and we would recommend that you are accompanied by your child/children in order to check appropriate sizes.

I am informed by Mans World that it would aid a speedier service if payment could be made by either cash or cheque. It will also be possible to pay either by debit or credit card but this may take slightly longer.

It is clearly a matter of parental choice where items of school uniform are purchased but I hope that you find the arrangements that have been made with Mans World helpful to you in this regard.

Finally, as part of our uniform arrangements we have put in place a blazer re-cycling scheme. If you have a blazer that you no longer require we would be delighted if you could donate it to the school, in which case we will find a new owner or alternatively try to arrange a swap to a more suitable alternative.

I hope to see you at the forthcoming Uniform Evening. In the meantime, I look forward to working in close partnership with you and our pupils to sustain our high standard of school uniform.

If you wish to discuss any aspect of our school uniform arrangements please contact me. Thank you for your continued support in this matter.

Yours faithfully

Dean Smith  
Head Teacher

## Mans World Price List – May 2013

<b>Wool Blazers</b>	<b>23"-32"</b>	<b>33"-37"</b>	<b>38"-48"</b>	<b>Long fitting</b>	<b>Special measure</b>
<b>Embroidered with school badge</b>	£59.00	£62.00	£78.00	£83.00	Additional £20
<b>Polyester Blazers</b>	<b>24"-27"</b>	<b>38"-48"</b>	<b>50"-52"</b>		
<b>Embroidered with school badge</b>	£26.00	£33.00	£34.00		
<b>Skirts</b>		<b>Waist</b>	<b>22"-28"</b>	<b>30"-40"</b>	
<b>Pleated</b>	Length	18	£15.00	£19.00	
		20	£15.00	£19.00	
		22	£15.00	£20.00	
<b>Straight</b>		<b>Waist</b>	<b>22"-28"</b>	<b>30"-40"</b>	
	Length	18	£14.00	£17.00	
		20	£14.00	£17.00	
		22	£14.00	£18.00	