



WOODHOUSE GROVE SCHOOL

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Dear Parents

My purpose for writing is to inform you of new arrangements for the acquisition of colours blazers. However, before doing so, I feel that I must provide you with some context over how we have arrived at the new procedure.

Three years ago, the long-standing tailor, who had served the School so well over a number of years, retired. Prior to retirement, he introduced the School to a new tailor who he thought would be able to provide a similar bespoke colours blazer service. Having received a few batches of blazers, it became apparent that the quality of the finish was not what we were used to, and there were also issues regarding slow turnaround times. Having conducted some research of our own, the School elected to change our supplier and selected a tailor who had produced The Grammar School at Leeds colours blazers for a number of years. Sadly, the School has also been wholly dissatisfied with the service and turnaround times it has received from the new tailor and, as a result, he will no longer be supplying colours blazers.

As I am sure you will appreciate, finding a bespoke tailor at an affordable price is becoming more and more difficult. This being the case, I am pleased to be able to inform you that going forward, the School's uniform suppliers, Monkhouses, will be supplying colours blazers. In due course, those individuals who have been awarded Full Colours will visit the uniform shop to choose a blazer. In addition to which, they will also be given a badge detailing the precise honour for which the blazer has been awarded; which can be sewn onto the blazer once selected. Whilst the new blazers will not be bespoke garments, they will be available in much shorter order, and I have no doubt that the quality of the finish will be of a high standard.

Monkhouses has just taken a delivery of a new bolt of cloth and they anticipate that colours blazers will be available for collection in the uniform shop immediately after half term; I thank you in advance for your forbearance whilst these garments are being produced.

Please do not hesitate to contact the School should you have any queries or need further information regarding this matter.

With all my best wishes,

Yours sincerely

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