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Dear Parents/Carers

I write to thank you for your ongoing support in our drive to ensure Etone College provides the very best educational experience for your children and to update you on some current initiatives that will help us continue to do so.

To ensure all pupils have best access to learning and progress, we are relaunching the 'Lesson Pass' system. Whilst we understand the value of this supportive strategy in specific circumstances, it is a short-term and time-bound intervention, in most cases. As such, all current passes will be recalled and new passes will be issued accordingly to pupils who require them under the following criteria:

- Toilet Passes will only be issued where medical evidence has been provided. Should your child require such, we ask that you provide evidence to House office. Where relevant medical evidence has previously been provided, pupils will be issued with a new pass.
- Time-Out Passes will be issued as a time-bound, supportive measure at the discretion of the Head of House and Leadership team. We understand that from timeto-time these are necessary and extremely beneficial, however, they are not a solution to most issues and concerns and should not be treated as such. Where there is a need for more substantial and longer-term intervention, pupils will be supported via our excellent Pastoral Support team and, where necessary, referral to more specialist support.
- Early Leave Passes will be issued where there is a clear, evidence-based need for such.
- Sensory Break Passes will be issued at the discretion of the SEND team as per EHCP recommendations.

Thank you also for supporting us by sending your child to school in the correct uniform. The vast majority of pupils look incredibly smart and are great representatives of Etone College. To help us in ensuring your child meets our expectations, please note the following:

- Trousers must be full-length and should fit appropriately. Short, ankle-length/ankle grazer and skinny-fit trousers are not permitted.
- Skirts must be Etone branded and should fit just above the knee. Skirts must not be rolled up.
- Blazers must be worn on school-site at all times (unless otherwise agreed by the Headteacher)
- Jumpers must be black, woollen-type and V-necked. No round-necked jumpers or sweatshirts of any type are permitted.
- Shirts should be tucked in at all times.
- Jewellery is not permitted except for a watch and a single stud earring in each ear.





- Coats, not tracksuit-tops or hoodies, should be worn to school during colder weather.
- Trainers are not permitted. Please be mindful of this when purchasing footwear from sports shops. For clarification, see images on the school website before purchasing.
- We are a 'no mobile phone site'. Phones will be confiscated if seen or heard.

Pupils have been reminded about expectations during assemblies and form-time this week. We will continue to conduct uniform checks after half term and where a pupil does not meet expectations, parents and carers will be notified and items will be confiscated, to be returned at the end of the school day. Please see *Uniform Expectations* on the school website for clarification.

Once again, we thank you for your ongoing support and wish you and your families a safe and restful half-term break.

Yours faithfully

Mr I Smith Headteacher

