



Newsletter 1 - Countdown to PCS



Dear Student,

WELCOME TO PEACEHAVEN COMMUNITY SCHOOL!

A very warm welcome from all of us at Peacehaven Community School. We are very excited about welcoming you to your new school and can not wait to meet you.

We have been very busy arranging a variety of activities to help you settle into life at PCS, so that you can get the most out of your time with us.

We want you to get to know each other and our wonderful staff, who are looking forward to meeting you.

We will help you find out more about PCS, including the part you play in our school vision, Aspire, Believe, Contribute, Achieve, so that you will become a confident and happy member of our PCS community.

ASPIRE

At Peacehaven Community School, our vision is to provide outstanding education within a supportive environment that enhances students' cognitive and social-emotional outcomes, including their wellbeing.

We believe in setting high expectations for all students and supporting them to achieve their full potential.

Our students are encouraged to aspire to their personal best, and we strive to prepare them for their future in a changing world.

BELIEVE

We believe in providing a happy, caring, and successful learning environment where all students are valued and embraced.

We emphasise mutual respect, good manners, and exemplary behaviour, and offer a broad and balanced curriculum that prepares students for adult life.

Our vision is to foster a culture of inclusivity, resilience, and community partnership, where every student is supported to achieve their full potential.

CONTRIBUTE

At Peacehaven Community School, our vision is to develop students who are active contributors to society.

We recognise the importance of community partnership and encourage our students to engage in extracurricular activities and a rich program of trips and visits that help to broaden their horizons.

Our students are encouraged to be responsible global citizens, making a positive impact on the world around them.

ACHIEVE

Our vision is to provide innovative and challenging evidence based teaching that inspires our students to achieve excellence and make excellent progress.

We believe in providing a personalised learning experience that caters to each student's individual needs, abilities, and interests.

Our curriculum is evidence informed and designed with our vision in mind, and our learning activities and teaching are tailored to develop our students' cognitive and social-emotional skills, preparing them for their future in a changing world.

Mrs McCaughan, Pastoral Leader, Ms Black and Ms Fernee, Pastoral Support Managers and our wonderful Transition Leaders will be talking to you about all aspects of our school life over the next few weeks.

There will be a huge number of opportunities for you at PCS as you begin your next steps in your learning journey and some of these will be revealed as we update you through this weekly newsletter.

Yours faithfully,

Ms Henocq
Headteacher





Parent/Carers' Corner

We hope you find our newsletters useful and they help to alleviate any worries or concerns that your child might have about the transition from primary school to secondary school.

Over the next few weeks they'll be introduced to key staff, including Heads of Curriculum Areas, Members of our Senior Leadership Team and, most importantly, Year 7 Mentors.

Additionally, in this section we'll keep you updated on key dates and important information. Two key events next term are:

Meet the Mentors appointments:

Monday 22nd and Tuesday 23rd June.

Families will be invited into PCS for a 20 minute, one to one, meeting with their child's mentor.

Our school's uniform supplier will also be attending on these dates. Letters with all the information will be emailed to parents next term.

Transition week:

29th June - 3rd July

Monday 29th and Tuesday 30th – A Band students

Wednesday 1st and Thursday 2nd July – B Band students



Uniform News



As we prepare for the 2026-2027 academic year, we are pleased to announce an update to the Peacehaven Community School uniform. In response to student feedback, we will be replacing the blazer with a PCS-branded V-neck jumper starting this September.

This update to the uniform ensures that our students stay comfortable, whilst maintaining the high standard of smart appearance that defines our school community.

Key Dates & Details

Availability: The new jumpers will be available for purchase starting June 22nd, with dispatch expected in August. The jumpers will be costed as follows:

Junior - £24.50 (Up to size 38" chest)
Senior - £29.50 (40"+ chest)

All jumpers can be purchased from the website linked below:

www.pcs.kitfor.co.uk

Implementation: Effective September 1, 2026, the PCS jumper will become the only outer layer of the school uniform for years 7-10. No other jumpers will be permitted.

Please note that coats and jackets must not be worn inside the school building. The new Year 11 cohort

(current Year 10) will be permitted to wear their leavers' hoodie as an alternative; further information regarding this will be sent directly to Year 10 families in Term 6.

Term 6 Summer Uniform: Due to warmer weather, during Term 6 we will follow our usual summer uniform policy. The school blazer will be optional, and tailored school shorts (no shorter than 10cm/4 inches above the knee) may be worn.

To ensure all students are prepared for September 2026, we encourage families to order via our official uniform suppliers as early as possible.

We recommend purchasing during the months of June and July to take advantage of early-summer stock levels and to avoid the late-August rush.

We believe this shift reflects our commitment to listening to our students and ensuring that our uniform is fit for a modern learning environment. As a reminder, our uniform is as stated below:

- Tie with the appropriate year colour stripe (£5.99) which is available from Premier Sports.
- White cotton shirt which can be purchased from any supplier of your choice. White cotton shirt must be buttoned to the neck, long or short-sleeved and tucked in.
- Black smart leather shoes/ All black leather trainers with no visible logos. Which can be purchased from any supplier of your choice. Plain black or white socks or black tights.
- **Students are not permitted to wear boots or cloth shoes.**



- Black school trousers or a black pleated school skirt (skirts to be no shorter than 10cm/ 4 inches above the knee).
- **Students are not permitted to wear other clothing including, but not limited to; black jeans, cargo trousers, leggings, stretchy tube or pencil skirts. If wearing a skirt, this should not be rolled or folded over at the top.**
- Students are permitted to wear one small stud in each ear. No other jewellery is allowed, including any facial piercings, such as nose studs or rings

We take great pride in our school uniform, as it fosters a sense of community and equality.

Please note that we are currently conducting a consultation regarding school skirts (please use the following link to complete the Google Form:

<https://forms.gle/2m1ciKq4EjprMfeR8>

We kindly ask that you do not purchase any new skirts for September until we can provide a further update following this review. Please see the link above to provide your feedback on the consultation.

In the meantime, please ensure that current school skirts are of an appropriate length (no shorter than 10cm above the knee) and are not rolled at the waistband.

As always, students who are not in the correct uniform will be asked to rectify it. Refusal or persistent uniform infringement will incur a sanction.

Thank you for your continued support in ensuring our students arrive at school ready to succeed.

Warm regards

Peacehaven Community School

Acceptable Uniform



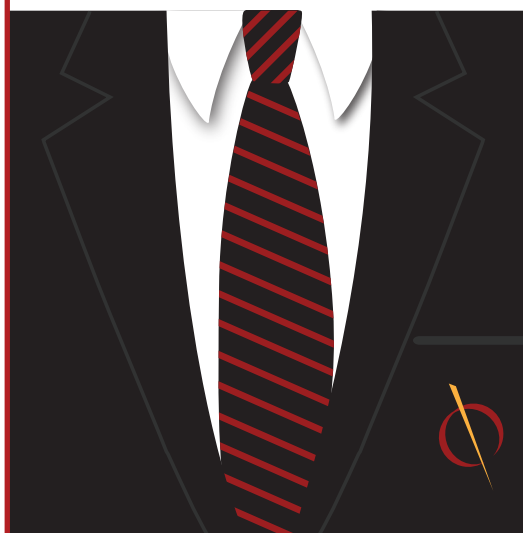
These preferred styles are available from the school suppliers, Premier Sports at the website below or can be brought from stores like Asda, Tesco, Sainsburys, Primark and other high street retailers. Please only buy straight cut or boot cut trousers.

Unacceptable Uniform



No visible zips or sets of buttons. No skirts/ trousers too tight and too short. No coloured logos on shoes. No trainer colour other than black.

Y7 Tie



Equipment

The PCS Ten for Success

All students are expected to come to school with their Ten for Success. This comprises of:

- 1 x pencil case
- 1 x purple pen
- 2 x black pens
- 1 pencil
- 1 pencil sharpener
- 1 ruler
- 1 rubber
- 1 glue stick
- A reading book



In next week's newsletter you will find out more from Pastoral Leader, Mrs McCaughan and Pastoral Support Managers, Ms Black and Ms Fernee.

Any questions or enquiries, please email:

PCS-Transition@swale.at

Should your enquiry require the attention of our SEND Department, please email:

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