

Ref: RCL/RSC/GHA

27 July 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

Re: Plume Academy Uniform 2023

Following revised legislation for School Uniform and a consultation with staff, students, parents and carers, Plume Academy has conducted a tendering exercise to seek a new uniform supplier. Alongside cost, the overwhelming request from parents and carers was for a physical, local shop that could be visited to try on uniform and make collections and returns – with no delivery cost.

I am very pleased to confirm that the successful company to win the uniform contract was “Yours in Sport” in Maldon High Street (39 High Street, Maldon, CM9 5PF).

“Yours in Sport” will start to stock Plume Academy uniform from mid-July, however we will also continue to use Anglia Sports & Schoolwear (the current uniform supplier) until their stock runs out. Therefore, for September 2023, parents now have two outlets for Plume Academy Uniform for this summer. There are some minor changes to the uniform, in order to reduce cost, such as removal of the ‘Plume’ branding on some PE garments, however the academy has committed to affordable uniform, and has confirmed that all existing uniform will still be permitted to be worn in 2023/2024.

Before the transfer to “Yours in Sport”, we will hold a final ‘in-house’ Plume Academy uniform sale this year:

- **Date: Monday 17 July 2023 from 15:30 until 18:30.**
- **Location: Fambridge Road Campus Sports Halls – entrance via the tennis courts.**

This will be the final in-house academy sale (as “Yours in Sport” will be holding the stock in future) but will give parents/carers a chance to purchase the uniform at 2022 prices before the transfer to “Yours in Sport”.

Stock is limited on a ‘*first come first served basis*’.

Until Monday 17th July, uniform will still be available online from: <https://www.yourschoolwear.co.uk/plume-maldons-community-academy-185-c.asp>.

Your sincerely,



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