

## Summary of Consultations on School Uniform

### Parents

- 100% of parents are happy for their child to wear our school uniform
- 86% of parents are fully happy with our current school uniform
- 88% of parents feel that our current school uniform is affordable
- 78% of parents would like the school to offer a uniform swap shop
- 96% of parents would be happy to donate uniform items to a uniform swap shop
- 88% of parents are aware of uniform grants, from the Education Authority
- Some parents requested that the school offer a P.E. kit for the children to wear on days when they have P.E.

### Pupils

The main aspects of wearing a school uniform that the children like are:

- It makes them feel that they belong to St. Oliver Plunkett Primary School
- When on school trips, the children can be easily identified
- Everyone is equal, when they are wearing it
- The colours of the uniform
- It keeps their own clothes clean for wearing after school and at the weekends
- It is warm and comfortable to wear

The aspects of wearing the uniform that the children don't like are:

- Sometimes, it tickles them
- Jumpers, without names on them, can get mixed up
- The uniforms aren't colourful

*92% of the children would like the school to have a separate P.E. uniform.*

### Outcome

1. A new School Uniform policy has been drafted and will be presented to the school's Board of Governors, at the next meeting. Once this has been ratified, the policy will be accessible to all parents, on our school website.
2. The school will organise and host a Uniform Swap Shop, in June. We will be seeking donations from parents beforehand. The Swap Shop will be available to the parents of all children in St. Oliver Plunkett Primary School.
3. Given the interest in a new school P.E. uniform, we will be looking into options that can be offered to parents, to purchase P.E. uniform items. Should we proceed with this, it would be a completely voluntary purchase. There would be no expectation, from the school, for children to wear this for P.E. and all children can continue to wear their uniform for these sessions.