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Dear Parent/Carer,

We firmly believe, along with the Department for Education (DfE), that a school uniform provides a sense of belonging for our students. Our uniform allows us to promote and foster a positive and strong learning environment and promote the ethos of our school, which ultimately is to prepare our students to be excellent citizens and individuals that will make a difference in society.

In order to support families, we are pleased to be able to share with you that we have made links with two charity shops in Chester-Le-Street, **St Cuthbert's Hospice** and **Age UK** (addresses below).

Both charity shops are willing to receive donations of school uniform that is still in a good condition, and that can be bought second-hand for future or existing students at our school. The shops themselves will set the prices for the different parts of the uniform, and all monies will go directly to both charities to support them in their important work.

If you do have any items of school uniform that your child no longer needs and you are happy to donate, please drop them into St Cuthbert's Hospice and/or Age UK. We really want to support our families, local partnerships and charities.

Yours sincerely,

Dr J Gorlach
Deputy CEO

Mr D Stewart
Head of School

Addresses:

St Cuthbert's Hospice

172 Front Street
Chester-Le-Street
DH3 3AZ

Age UK

80 Front Street
Chester-Le-Street
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Please check for individual opening times.