

Rubery Schools Community Swap Shop

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Dear School,

Recently we have set up a '**Rubery Schools Community Swap Shop**' group and would like to let you know about it.

Our vision is to '**Reduce waste and help all families access school uniform, whatever their financial position**'

Our mission is to '**Collect all unwanted (but reusable) school uniform, clean and prepare, store and redistribute to families across the Birmingham and surrounding areas**'

We are hoping that you may be able to assist us with this by taking one or more of the following actions:

- ✓ Provide any unwanted/unclaimed school uniform items rather than throwing them away at the end of the school term/year.
- ✓ Make parents aware of this group so they can either donate or reuse items – you can do this through your school newsletter, via Facebook or other social media platforms, or simply by putting up a few posters where parents will see them!
- ✓ Establish a collection point at school for parents to drop off donations – currently we are having to collect from each person directly, which takes a lot of time thus limiting our effectiveness.
- ✓ Let the children know about this system – parents often take more notice when their children are interested!

If you already have a school uniform donation system at your school, that is brilliant! Let us know if we can help, we want to work in partnership with schools and make their systems as effective as possible.

This group does not charge for any items, there are no monetary transactions – everything is provided through on a voluntary basis.

Those who require uniform can contact the group (privately) and we make arrangements to get it to them without any obligation on them.

We are also planning to hold community events at key times in the year, such as the Easter and summer holidays, so that anyone can come along and make use of the uniform that has been collected.

Thank you so much for taking the time to read this, we hope you can support us in some way with this initiative.

Kind regards



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