

## **School Photographs**

This year we will once again use two companies to meet our photographic needs. Over the last three years this system has been very successful, enabling a much smoother operation both in school, and for you the parents.

Intrinsically, it is a near impossible task to take the photographs of everyone in a school the size of Darrick Wood in just one day. On top of this there has, in recent years, been a *huge* increase in demand for sibling photographs from both the pupils and yourselves. The combination of these factors means that we need the additional time provided by a second photographic session.

The decision to look to another company for our second photography day was not an easy one due to the many years of excellent service we have received from Van Cols, but in YEP we believe we have found a young flexible organisation who admirably meet our needs in terms of quality and range of product. Last year they continued to fulfil this rolled admirably and we were very pleased with both the merchandise and the service.

However, as with any year of school photographs, with such a large volume of pictures being taken, there is bound to be an occasional substandard shot. These are rare, but if you are not pleased with the proof you received I would ask you to ensure you direct your concerns to the appropriate company as identified on the actual proof, and as listed below. However, please remember that with both companies a 'proof' is not representative of the quality of the final photograph.

### **Photographers:**

Years 7, 8, 9, 10, 12, and 13	-	Van Cols Limited taking on 26 <sup>th</sup> September
Year 11 and <b>all sibling</b> photographs	-	Yep Schools Direct Ltd taking on 2nd October

I would like to say that for the last two years, with the switch, the additional flexibility allowed more than double the previous number of sibling photographs to be taken.

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