

# Uniform

Our School uniform and dress code is in place to foster a sense of shared identity and membership as a learning community with professional standards and expectations. This document sets out the day-to-day options for pupils in Years 7 to 11, including what items are required ('musts') and what is optional ('mays'), and what this looks like in practice. On PE and Sport days, PE kit with a blazer is mandatory, on all other days, pupils may choose to wear PE kit with a blazer, or shirt-tie-trousers/skirt with a blazer to School. Please see the pictures below illustrating our uniform expectations.

## Our compulsory branded uniform items ('must' haves)

1. Black blazer with School logo. This must be worn at all times unless staff give permission for it to be removed.
2. Black PE tracksuit bottoms with School logo. Every pupil is expected to have branded PE tracksuit bottoms. Non-branded PE tracksuit bottoms are not permitted.
3. Red/black PE t-shirt with School logo. Families may purchase more than one of these items if they wish, to suit the regularity of their uniform choice.

## Our optional uniform items ('may' haves)

- School Tie. Worn to the waistline. This must be worn with the white shirt and blazer option.
- Black school trousers or skirt. Trousers should be tailored, straight-leg school trousers. Flared, skinny, hipster trousers, leggings, or denim are not appropriate for School. Skirts should be tailored School skirts (e.g. pleated or pencil skirts) of a reasonable length i.e. finishing just above the knee. Tight-fitting skirts are not appropriate for school.
- Black socks/opaque tights. Colours are not permitted.
- Plain white, long or short-sleeved shirt. This should have a stiff collar, buttoned up to the neck and tucked in at all times.
- Grey jumper. A plain, grey, long-sleeved V-neck jumper may be worn under the blazer. Black jumpers are not permitted.
- Coats. Coats should be warm and waterproof. Coats are not to be worn inside the school building.

## Additional PE Items (optional 'may' haves)

- PE Fleece. Red/black t-shirt long sleeved PE ¼ zip fleece. This item is optional but advised for PE, particularly as we move through the seasons and participate in outdoor lessons.
- Skort and/or shorts for PE. A skort is a pair of shorts with a skirt over the top. Pupils may purchase more than one of these items if they wish, as the weather warms in the spring and summer months.
- Long black sports socks are the preferred sock choice for PE, particularly for Football and Hockey (to wear shinpads).
- Leggings are to be worn as a base-layer and under-garment only. Shorts or a skort must be worn over the top of leggings, all of the time. There will be no exceptions to this rule for pupils in Years 7 to 11.

## Our compulsory footwear items

- Sports trainers, black or white only. Trainers must be suitable for physical activity, providing sufficient ankle support, cushioning, and laces to tie up. Converse, Crocs or 'plimsol' type shoes are not appropriate for health and safety reasons. To only be worn with PE and Sports Kit.
- Plain, black shoes. These should be sturdy leather (or leather style) with flat heels. Fabric shoes or leather trainers are not considered appropriate styles to wear with a shirt and tie i.e. Nike Air Force 1s. Coloured laces and visible branding are not permitted. To only be worn with shirt-tie-trousers/ skirt option.

## Our uniform options

On a PE and Sport day, your child must wear:



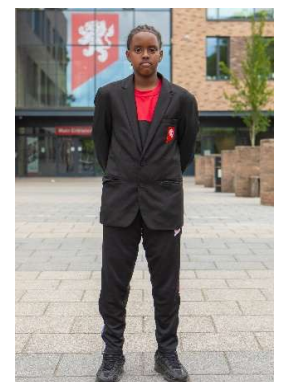
from left to right: PE t-shirt, skort, long socks, black trainers | Blazer, PE fleece, PE t-shirt, shorts, black socks, black trainers | PE fleece, PE t-shirt, tracksuit bottoms, black trainers. Blazers are to be worn over all PE kit options.

On all other days, your child may wear either:



Blazer, white shirt, tie, trousers  
or skirt with black school shoes

or



Blazer, PE t-shirt and tracksuit  
bottoms (or skort/ skirt), with  
black or white trainers

## Jewellery

- Pupils may wear small and discreet plain metal stud earrings in the lobe of the ears.
- A small and discreet nose stud is permitted.
- A necklace can be worn but must not be visible.
- A single bracelet/ bangle can be worn but must be discreet and not visible. Wristwatches are permitted.
- No other jewellery (i.e. rings) or visible body piercing, including tongue studs, are permitted for health and safety reasons.
- Any additional items of jewellery worn for cultural/ religious reasons should be discussed with the School but reasonable requests will not be refused.
- Jewellery should be removed for PE and active enrichment activities. It is advised new piercings should be done during the summer holidays.

## Hair, make up and personal appearance

- Natural make-up, and nail varnish may be worn. Fake tan and acrylic nails are not permitted.
- Hair should be worn in a manner which has regard for a smart personal appearance and safety in relation to any curricular or co-curricular activity. As an inclusive School we seek to avoid hair discrimination.
- Hairbands, hair ties, headscarves and turbans must be plain white, grey or black. Any additional items of clothing worn for cultural/ religious reasons should be discussed with the School but reasonable requests will not be refused.
- Decorative or oversized hairbands (eg: bandanas), hair ties/ clips or ribbons are not appropriate for School.
- For safeguarding reasons, full face coverings are not permitted.

## Other points to note

- All pupils must carry a water bottle. Clearly labelled with their full name and form.
- Aerosol sprays and perfumes must not be brought into School for health and safety reasons.
- All items of clothing should be clearly marked with the owner's name so that lost property can easily be returned.
- On dark mornings or evenings and in adverse weather conditions, we do recommend that brighter garments or reflective accessories are worn for visibility and safety. In cold weather, gloves, hats, scarves and boots may be worn on the journey to and from School.
- Baseball caps or hoodies are not permitted at any time in the school day.
- Pupils must have all the usual writing materials: pen, purple-ink pen, pencil, eraser, ruler, scientific calculator, etc.
- A strong rucksack or school bag is essential to carry books and equipment, as well as PE kit (drawstring bags or bags that can only be carried on one shoulder are not appropriate).

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