

# School Uniform Policy

## School Uniform Statement

The school Governors expect every student in Years 7–11 to wear the correct school uniform. For students in the 6th Form, uniform is not required, but good standards of dress are necessary. Sending your child to school in school uniform sets a standard in appearance, of which both parents/carers and the school can be proud. For health reasons, it is important that students are properly dressed for physical activity. It is helpful if articles of clothing are clearly marked with their name.

We believe that a school uniform is important because it:

- Looks smart
- Wears well
- Contributes to a sense of belonging and community
- Makes children feel equal to their peers in terms of appearance
- Fosters a feeling of pride
- Is designed with health and safety in mind

## The school uniform for Years 7-11 is as follows:

Navy Blue Sweatshirt (embroidered with school badge)

Black Skirt or Trousers / short trousers

White blouse / shirt or polo shirt, or white polo shirt with school badge (optional) Black sensible shoes, or plain black trainers

Fleece with embroidered badge (Optional)

Summer Dress (Optional)

\*Black Blazer (Optional)

\*\* Clip-On Tie (Optional)

\*If your child wishes to wear a blazer, iron-on badges are available to purchase from the school office.

\*\* Clip-On Ties are also available to purchase from the school office

## PE KIT

Plain white T-Shirt or Polo Shirt

Plain black shorts

White cotton PE socks

Trainers

Swimming Trunks / Costume / Swimming Hat

Black Tracksuits / Sweatshirts for cold weather

## 6th Form dress code:

Whilst students are not required to wear school uniform, we have high expectations on dress code and wish to set an example to the rest of the lower school. We expect all students to reflect a modest and tidy appearance at all times.

The dress of all students should reflect that and be modest and tidy and include the following:

- Any colour shoes, boots or trainers
- Trousers including black jeans
- Shirt/Blouse with collar
- Plain t-shirt or with an appropriate logo
- Activewear or matching tracksuit, including black leggings
- Jumper, cardigan or blazer
- Skirts and Dresses (not short or low cut)
- Jewelry should be kept to a minimum

The following items **are not** acceptable in the Sixth Form:-

- Denim Jeans (other than black)
- Nails may be polished but must be no longer than 5mm
- Hats, caps and hoods must be removed when in the school buildings - no hoodies are permitted
- High heels are not permitted

If you fail to dress in the appropriate way we will try to provide the appropriate clothing or you may be asked to go home and change to clothes that we expect from students in the Sixth Form. If there is a problem with this please let your Form Tutor know.

On occasions, all members of the 6th Form will also be expected to raise their standard of dress to an "interview" level, such as wearing a tie, blouse, dress, skirt or other smart clothes.

## **Makeup / Nail Varnish & Nail Extensions and/or Long Fingernails**

If a student chooses to wear makeup this must be discreet - no bright lipstick/eye makeup/false eyelashes. Nails (be they natural or false/gel) must be kept short (no longer than fingertip length) and natural in colour.

Nail varnish, long nails or extensions can pose risks for students undertaking practical work in certain subjects.

Students wearing nail varnish/extensions/long nails involved in food preparation and cooking in technology lessons can (especially when inexperienced and learning "how to"), contaminate food with chippings of nail varnish, dirt from under the nails or parts of nail extensions. Long nails or extensions could also be trapped or ripped moving round the school through doors and corridors, causing pain and upset. They could also hurt others, for example, during PE, games or drama practical work. These are situations which are easily avoided.

If a student comes to school wearing nail varnish, they will be asked by their tutor or member of SLT to remove it immediately with nail polish remover.

If a student comes to school with nail extensions or long nails, they may not be allowed to take part in P.E, drama or practical lessons and will not be allowed out for break or lunch playtimes. A phone call home will be made to advise that these will need to be removed/clipped at the earliest opportunity.

For clarity, fingernails should not protrude beyond the ends of the fingers.