



# Uniform Policy

## 1. BACKGROUND

- 1.1 As part of its culture of formality and values, the school has an official uniform for all activities. This assists with engendering loyalty, eliminating inter-personal comparison and competition between pupils and promotes the corporate brand. In order that there is consistency, policy needs to apply to what is worn, where it is worn and what rules may apply to auxiliary items.

## 2. OBJECTIVES

- 2.1 To maintain consistency in the wearing of the school uniform.  
2.2 To provide guidance for families as to items that might be auxiliary to the uniform.

## 3. POLICY

- 3.1 Formal Uniform is that as itemized in the school's uniform brochure and includes blazer, cap/hat, and tie. Boys wear the long-sleeved shirt as part of this uniform.
- 3.2 Sports Uniform is that as itemized in the school's uniform brochure and includes the polar fleece in the Junior School and the tracksuit in the Prep Schools.
- 3.2.1 In the Prep School, the tracksuit is to be worn when the sports uniform is worn out of the school to establish the corporate brand, particularly to sports events in which school teams are competing. Some discretion is to be exercised due to weather and circumstances; it might be that the tracksuit jacket only is worn, for instance.
- 3.2.2 Polar Fleece: The polar fleece is sports uniform. It may be worn outside in the playground, at PE or fitness but not in the classroom. It is not an alternative to the school jersey or guernsey.
- 3.3 Uniform worn to and from School
- 3.3.1 In general, pupils are required to wear the complete formal uniform to and from school each day. On particular sports days, teams or the whole school may be invited to arrive in sports uniform.
- 3.3.2 Chapel choristers are permitted to arrive at school in their sports uniform on those mornings when their choir rehearsal leads immediately on to fitness, but they must also bring their formal uniform to school on these days.



- 3.3.3 Pupils being collected from school following sport may wear either the formal uniform or sports uniform.
- 3.3.4 No part of the formal uniform is worn with the sports uniform.
- 3.3.5 Pupils on public transport must be in formal uniform.
- 3.3.6 Pupils may cycle/scooter/skateboard home in sports gear or formal uniform, but not in a combination of these.

#### 3.4 Earrings and Jewellery

- 3.4.1 Pupils may not wear any earrings, necklaces, or other visible jewellery at school.
- 3.4.2 If, for cultural or religious reasons, a pupil must wear earrings, only the following is permissible: a single 3mm (or smaller) gold or silver stud may be worn in each earlobe, and these must be removed, if requested, during sport or PE classes. No other visible jewellery is permitted. Studs are worn at the owner's risk and the school takes no responsibility for lost studs.
- 3.4.3 If, for cultural or religious reasons, a pupil must wear a necklace, it must be worn out of sight (i.e. under the shirt). Necklaces must be removed, if requested, during sport or PE classes. No other visible jewellery is permitted. Necklaces are worn at the owner's risk and the school takes no responsibility for lost necklaces.

## 4. PROCEDURES

- 4.1 In general, pupils wearing sports uniform home should wear the tracksuit over the sports uniform, particularly in winter when warmth may be an issue. However, if the degree of mud or wetness is excessive to the point where it would be inappropriate to put a tracksuit over it, then discretion should be used as to what is worn.
- 4.2 Pupils going directly to the Prep Room at 3.30pm (or soon thereafter) should be in full uniform. However, pupils going to the Prep Room for the last 30 minutes after a sports practice (that is, after 4.30pm) may wear sports gear.