

Uniform Code of conduct:

Pupils must observe the uniform regulations both in school and on journeys to and from school. Please do not allow your child to assume summer uniform adjustments.

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- Skirt length must cover the knee
- The shirt top button must be fastened at all times. Shirts and blouses must be tucked into the waistband of trousers and skirts.
- Maroon school jumpers with the school crest are to be worn. Pupils are not permitted to roll sleeves up. A 'Summer uniform' (see below) alternative is adopted in hot weather.
- All school bags must be suitable to carry at least two A4 folders. The structure and composition of the bag must be able to protect the contents. Drawstring bags can be used to carry PE kit or an appropriate school coat.
- Plain black shoes only. Boots, or shoes raised at the ankle, or with additional colour stripes, patches, studs, oversized buckles, or coloured/metallic tassels are not allowed.
- Buckles must have the functional purpose of securing the shoe
- Shoes should have black soles and black edging. Trainer type soles are not allowed.
- Pupils who arrive in school wearing non-regulation school shoes, will be given a pair of sanitized pumps to wear in school, until regulation school shoes are worn. Should we be unable to resolve a footwear issue, a pupil will be isolated until regulation school shoes are worn.

The school holds the final decision on any shoe style which is deemed to be borderline.

- Socks with a skirt: must be plain white and completely cover the ankle or go to the knee. No lace or additional adornments on socks are allowed. Black opaque tights maybe worn.
- Socks worn with trousers: if the socks can be seen they must be black or white.
- A year group colour block must be sewn onto the jumper underneath the school crest.
- Turbans or headscarves must be back or maroon, with no additional adornments or patterns.
- Hair fasteners or items attached to hair must be for the purpose of securing the hair in place. They must be of school colours; maroon or black, and plain in design. Hair pins should be gold, black, or silver with no additional adornments.
- Hair must be one natural colour: no patterns or artificial colour. There must be no extremes of style or fashion and the hair must not cover the eyes. Hair will be deemed unacceptably short if school considers more skin is visible than hair. For the lower back and sides of the hair, typically, but not exclusively, nothing shorter than a 3 blade should work. Hair should be a blended cut with no ridges, lines or undercut. Pupils presenting at school with what we deem as an unsuitable haircut, will be isolated from lesson until the hair is restored to a style in line with this policy.
- All of the above applies to all pupils. However, with consideration of the Halo Code, we acknowledge that Afro-textured hair is an important part of our Black pupils' racial, ethnic, cultural, and religious identities, and requires specific styling for hair health and maintenance. Afro-textured hair maybe worn in styles including, but not limited to, afros, locs, twists, braids, cornrows, hair straightened through the application of heat or chemicals, weaves, wigs, headscarves, and wraps.
- **The school holds the final decision on any haircut which is deemed to be borderline.**
- Pupils are permitted to wear one pair of plain studs, one in each ear lobe only and a watch. (studs: plain, spherical gold or silver with a 4 mm maximum diameter). No other piercings or jewellery may be worn. Pupils will be asked to remove any piercing which does not follow this guidance, such as tongue, upper ear piercings or plastic piercing retainers. Plasters covering such piercings are not permitted. Pupils who are unable to remove the piercing will be isolated from

lesson until the piercing is removed. Jewellery will be confiscated and sent to the finance office. Parents can collect the item on the day of confiscation or provide a written note for the pupil to collect the item the following day.

- Make-up is not permitted. Fake tan, henna, false eyelashes and false nails are classed as make-up. Pupils will be isolated from lesson until make-up has been removed. A limited, moderate application of henna, to mark a recognised and evidenced cultural celebration will be considered if a prior written request is provided. Pupils who choose to repeatedly wear makeup, such as false tan, will be additionally sanctioned and parents called to school to meet with a child's Learning Manager.
- Pupils are permitted to wear a sensible coat or anorak to and from school. The coat should be removed before entering the school building and stored in a locker or bag. Coats may be worn outside at break and lunch. These must be removed before entering the school building. At the end of the school day, coats should be put on outside the school building. Coats will be confiscated should a pupil choose not to follow this guidance. No hoodies, gilets, fleeces, denims, sweatshirts, leather jackets or other fashion alternatives are to be worn on the way to or from school. Such items will be confiscated. Parents can collect the item on the day of confiscation or provide a written note for the pupil to collect the item the following day.

Summer Uniform

A Senior member of staff will inform pupils when summer uniform regulations are in operation. Pupils may wear summer uniform on their way home, following this instruction. Pupils should not assume summer uniform is in operation and must always arrive at school in full uniform.

When Summer uniform is called in school, pupils remove jumpers, ensuring shirts are fully tucked into trousers or skirts. For pupils choosing to wear the shirt and tie uniform, ties are removed and top buttons opened. Uniform which has been removed must be stored in each pupils' school bag or in an additional bag. Pupils will be asked to get into full uniform should they choose not to wear Summer uniform correctly.