



## **Uniform & Equipment expectations**

Our school uniform encourages a sense of pride, belonging and loyalty to the community of which all students are members. Students are expected to adhere to our uniform expectations at all times, including on their journey to and from school.

If in any doubt about the details of this policy, parents should contact the school. It is better to check with a member of staff than to rely on assurances from students. If a genuine reason can be provided why a uniform standard cannot be met, then students will be managed on an individual basis. Any medical issues must be accompanied by documented evidence.

- Devizes School branded blazers are compulsory and are to be worn both to school and around school. Staff may allow students to take blazers off in lessons
- Devizes School branded jumpers are available but not compulsory. If worn, they should be black with the school logo. They must be worn under the blazer at all times and are not to be worn instead of a blazer. No other jumper/hoodie is permitted
- Devizes School branded ties are compulsory and should cover the top button and worn at a reasonable length, showing a minimum of 5 stripes. Clip-on ties are also available for purchase
- A formal, plain white shirt / blouse, short or long sleeved, with top button done up is compulsory. Ties must be able to be worn with them. Shirts should always be tucked in
- Students may wear either a black skirt or black trousers. Skirts must be in the Charleston style, and worn professionally- they should be knee-length and not shortened by being rolled up at the waist. No other type of skirt is permitted. Trousers should be tailored. No hipsters or jeans, combat trousers or leggings are permitted. If a student chooses to wear shorts in term 6, they must also be plain black and tailored. Belts must be plain black and fit through the loops on the trousers. No oversized buckles or clasps, studs or trimmings are permitted
- Only formal black, leather-fronted and polishable shoes are permitted. These should be low-heeled. No trainers, sling backs, canvas-style daps, or boots of any nature are permitted
- For PE lessons, a Devizes School branded PE top is compulsory. Students can wear generic black/navy shorts or jogging trousers- no other colours are permitted. Other Devizes School branded PE clothing is available but not compulsory. More information around items needed for PE can be found on our website
- Baseball caps, non-uniform jumpers and hoodies are banned items. They must not be brought onto the school site or worn to and from school
- Outdoor Coats: Denim, leather, or imitation leather jackets are not permitted. Once in a lesson, coats must be removed
- Hoodies or other sweatshirts, tracksuit tops and cardigans are not acceptable as coats- the classification of a hoodie is at the discretion of the school
- Makeup should be natural and subtle. The school reserves the right to make final judgement on what is and is not appropriate. Fake eyelashes are not allowed. Plain/nude nail varnish is permitted, but coloured nail varnish, acrylic and fake nails are not allowed
- Headscarves worn for religious or medical reasons should be a uniform colour
- Students who have their ears pierced may wear one small plain stud in the lower lobe of each ear. These must be removed for PE or any other specific activities where a student's health and safety must be considered. All other piercings should be removed whilst at school, and therefore we strongly recommend they do not get such a piercing and waste money/risk infection. No other jewellery is permitted to be worn
- Only badges issued by the school may be worn
- Tattoos of any kind are not allowed at school. This includes temporary 'henna' tattoos
- Individual fashion statements or overly-styled haircuts are not permitted. Hair may not be anything other than a natural colour. Braids are allowed, but must be neat and indistinguishable from the hair colour

Items that do not conform to the school's uniform policy will be confiscated by a teacher and dealt with according to the 'Confiscation of Property' policy. If a student has an item of jewellery that they value, it should not be brought into school as it will not be covered by our insurance