

NEWALL GREEN HIGH SCHOOL

School Uniform Policy

Purpose

It is our policy that all children should wear school uniform when attending school, or when participating in a school-organised event outside school.

Aims and objectives

Our policy is based on the shared belief that:

- School uniform plays a valuable role in contributing to the ethos of Newall green High School
- Our uniform identifies students as part of our Newall Green High School community and instils pride in it
- Being appropriately dressed helps students to develop a positive mind set for learning and supports them in being successful, creative and happy.
- Wearing school uniform makes students feel equal to their peers in terms of appearance (protects students from social pressures to dress in a particular way)
- It enables students to feel comfortable, safe and secure
- Ensures that students of different social, religious and ethnic groups feel welcome

Uniform

- Black or charcoal grey tailored trousers (Full length. No chinos, jeans or 'jean like' trousers. No skinny jeans or leggings)
- Blue tartan skirt
- White or blue shirt / blouse (Should be tucked into trousers/skirt at all times)
- School tie (To be worn up to the top button and tied correctly)
- Black flat leather/leather look school shoes/full black school trainers with no visible markings. no white or coloured soles/rim/logos on the shoes or trainers.
- School V Necked Jumper (Optional in years 8-11)
- School Blazer with distinctive school logo (Compulsory for all year groups)
- Socks Students may wear plain black socks or plain black/opaque tights.

PE Kit

- Black PE shorts
 - School polo shirt or rugby shirt.
 - Students may wear their own trainers/appropriate footwear for sports.
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Additional regulations and guidance

The following items are not allowed in school:

- Boots/fashion footwear above the ankle
- Non-black trainers or sports/casual shoes
- Hats or caps
- Jeans & 'jean like' trousers, leggings or shorts
- Hooded tops/sweat-tops/non-uniform cardigans

If students are found to be wearing these items in school they will be confiscated.

Jewellery

- A wristwatch only is allowed.
- One pair of small stud earrings in the lower ear. Large hooped or dangly earrings must not be worn for health and safety reasons
- No facial, tongue or body piercings

No visible Make Up is allowed - this includes

- Coloured nail varnish
- False/acrylic nails
- False eyelashes

External coats/jackets are not to be worn inside the school building.

Where a headscarf is worn for religious reasons it must be plain black with no decorations or tassels.

All items of uniform should be labelled with the student's name. Students who lose items of uniform/equipment should contact the Student Office where lost property is stored.

School Equipment

A School bag suitable to carry their books (A4 size), writing equipment and sports kit for every lesson. All students are expected to take responsibility for their books and equipment. Lockers are available for students to hire and can be arranged through the school reception.

All students should have a **clear** pencil case with the minimum expected equipment –

A black Pen

A Blue pen

A pencil

A ruler

Optional items that would be of use are

an eraser, a scientific calculator, a protractor, and highlighter pens.

Failure to wear school uniform

All students are expected to attend school in full school uniform.

Parent/carer cooperation in this respect is required. Only regulation uniform should be worn. It is the responsibility of parents/carers to ensure that their child comes to school in the correct uniform (see the Home School Agreement).

Items that do not meet the school's policy will need to be removed or replaced.

Students who arrive at school without correct uniform will be sent to the student office to loan the correct items of uniform. They will be expected to wear the uniform provided and return it at the end of the day.

If appropriate spare uniform is not available in school, parents will be contacted and the student will be sent home to change once parental consent has been obtained.

Persistent poor uniform will result in the school's behaviour consequence system being used. Parents will be required to attend a meeting at Newall Green High to support the school in ensuring their child is meeting the schools uniform expectations at all times.

In all aspects of uniform, school will make the final decision about what is acceptable.

The Headteacher is the final arbiter in all matters of uniform and dress.

Parents should raise any issues relating to school uniform, dress codes or other aspects of appearance with the school in writing or arrange a meeting to discuss this with the student's Pastoral Leader. Should an item of school uniform prove problematic for a pupil with disabilities then parents are invited to draw this to the attention of the school. The school will not treat pupils with disabilities unfavourably. Requests to vary the uniform requirements for particular reasons, such as medical needs, will always be carefully considered.

The role of governors

The governing body supports the Headteacher in implementing the school uniform policy. It considers all representations from parents regarding this policy, and liaises with the Headteacher to ensure that the policy is implemented fairly and with sensitivity.

It is the governors' responsibility to ensure that the school uniform meets all national regulations concerning equal opportunities, and that our school uniform policy is consistent with our policy on equal opportunities.

Governors ensure that the school uniform policy helps children to dress sensibly, in clothing that is hardwearing, safe and practical.

Monitoring and review

When monitoring this policy, through its committee work, the governing body will:

- seek the views of parents, to be sure that they agree with the policy, and support it;
- consider with the Headteacher any requests from parents for individual children to have special dispensations;
- require the Headteacher to report to the governors on the way the policy is being implemented.

This policy will be reviewed by the governing body every three years, or earlier if considered necessary.