

## Uniform Policy

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## Introduction

It is our policy that all learners in Year 7 to Year 11 should wear a school uniform when attending school, or when participating in a school-organised event outside normal school hours, unless exempted from doing so by the Head of School on designated days. We provide a complete list of the items needed for school uniform in this uniform policy and on our website. Effective teaching and learning requires organisation, and this starts with a smart and tidy appearance which helps to instil discipline and pride in learners' appearance and reduces the risk of distraction in lessons.

## Uniform Expectations

### Girls

- Burgundy Blazer
- School Skirt must be mid grey, knee length with school logo. Black tights (Minimum 60 denier) must be worn with a skirt. Socks are not permitted.
- School Trousers must be mid grey straight legged trousers
- Leggings, skinny fit and stretch trousers or jeans are not permitted
- Plain white button-up shirt, short or long sleeves
- School tie, worn over a white, buttoned, collared shirt, with top button done up
- Grey V-neck jumper or tank top
- Shoes – see the shoe guidance and examples section

### Boys

- Burgundy Blazer
- School Trousers must be mid grey straight legged trousers
- Leggings, skinny fit and stretch trousers or jeans are not permitted
- Plain white button-up shirt, short or long sleeves
- School tie, worn over a white, buttoned, collared shirt, with top button done up
- Grey V-neck jumper or tank top
- Shoes – see the shoe guidance and examples section
- Socks, plain black ankle with no patterns

## Shoes

- School shoes must be plain black school shoes made of a polishable material. We do not permit high boots, ankle boots or high visibility buckles/bows/coloured laces/logos etc. Please note that trainers or canvas shoes are not acceptable
- For examples of the types of footwear that are and are not permissible please see the example pages below.

## School Sports Kit

- Burgundy Rayner Stephens logo T-Shirt – only available from uniform shops
- Plain black shorts (no visible logos)
- Trainers to change into for PE lessons

## Optional Extras

- Burgundy Rayner Stephens Hoodie – only available from uniform shops
- Plain black sports leggings (no visible logos)
- Plain black tracksuit bottoms (no visible logos)

## Jewellery

- One pair of studs or small sleepers can be worn.
- No eyebrow, nose, lip or other body piercing are allowed.
- No Smart Watches.
- Plasters or clear placeholders are not permitted to cover piercings.

## Make-up

- Make-up and/or fake tanning products must be discreet and natural with no false eyelashes or extreme eyebrows
- Acrylic, false nails or coloured nail varnish must not be worn.

## Hair

- Haircuts should not be extreme.
- 'Steps', 'lines', shaving the sides or all of the head or other variations of these styles are unacceptable in school.
- Nothing below a 'Number 2' is acceptable for learners who prefer this type of short style.

- We expect all learners to have neat and tidy hair styles and ensure that long hair is tied back for specific lessons, both boys and girls, due to health and safety.
- Hair should be of a natural colour.

## Uniform Suppliers

<https://mcsstores.co.uk/>

<https://topmarksschoolwear.co.uk/>

<https://www.kids-stop.co.uk/>

## Guidelines

It is expected that all learners wear the school uniform each school day with the appropriate footwear.

If a learner does not wear the correct uniform, a 15-minute professional detention will be issued and a verbal reminder of our expectations will be communicated to the learner. If failure to wear the correct uniform is identified as a persistent issue, parents/carers will be contacted. The learner will also be provided with uniform to wear. Refusal from the learner to do this will result in the learner being placed in Internal Exclusion for the remainder of that day.

If a learner arrives at school wearing incorrect uniform with communication from parents/carers, the missing item will be provided by the school for them to wear, with the expectation that the issue will be resolved the following day. If the school does not have the missing item available, a note will be issued to the learner for that day only.

Learners are responsible for taking care of their own school uniform and that borrowed from school.

Learners who repeatedly come to school without the correct school uniform may be sent home to change or be placed in the Internal Exclusion room.

## Discipline

The Head of School has the legal authority to discipline learners for not wearing correct school uniform (see [www.gov.uk/school-discipline-exclusions](http://www.gov.uk/school-discipline-exclusions)). In extreme cases a learner could be excluded for persistently failing to wear school uniform. It is our intention to explore all avenues, through consultation and discussion with parents/carers, to avoid this sanction being taken.

If a learner arrives at school not wearing the correct uniform, school will endeavour to find the cause and remedy the situation. A letter will be sent home

to parents (see Appendix A). Should the problem persist, parents/carers may be invited into school to discuss the situation.

## **Help with Cost**

If any parent/carer cannot provide their learner with school uniform because they cannot afford it, financial help may be available. School uniform may include clothes for PE. The parent/carer should initially talk to the Head of School.

## **Lost Property**

Any unidentified items of school uniform will be placed in boxes in the Lost Property at the main school office. Learners are encouraged to look in these boxes to reclaim lost property on the understanding that the found item will be clearly named.



## EXAMPLE TYPES OF FOOTWEAR PERMITTED

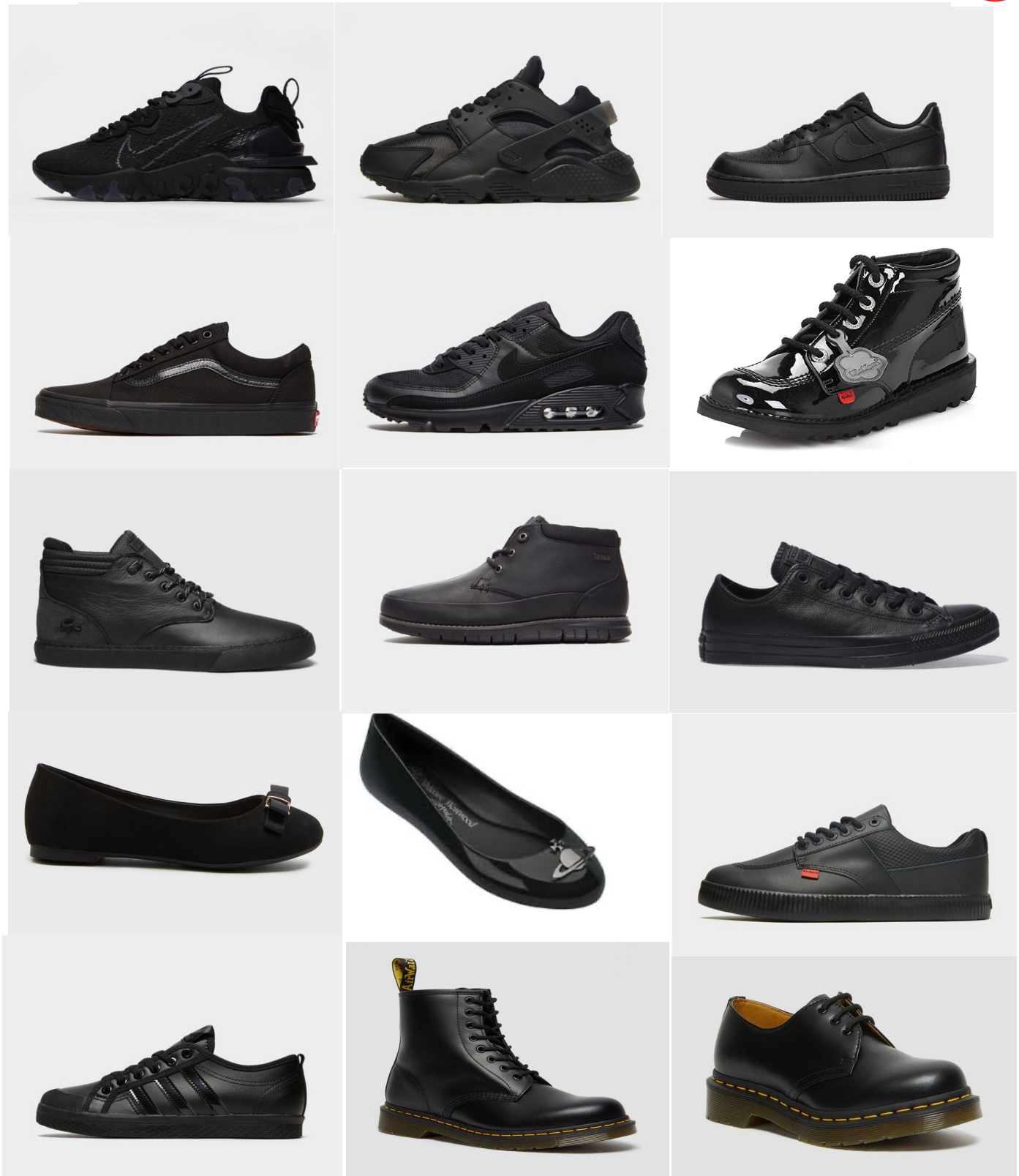


The images above provide examples of the type of footwear which is allowed to be worn. This is not a definitive list and the school leadership team reserves the right to determine appropriate footwear in line with the guidelines set out in this policy.

**If you are unsure about a certain type of footwear, please contact the school before purchasing.**



## EXAMPLE TYPES OF FOOTWEAR NOT PERMITTED



- No trainers
- No canvas or plastic footwear
- No boots or ankle boots
- No large adornments such as buckles or bows
- No different coloured soles or coloured elements

The images above provide examples of the type of footwear which is not allowed to be worn. This is not a definitive list and the school leadership team reserves the right to determine appropriate footwear in line with the guidelines set out in this policy.

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