



School Uniform Policy

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Responsible for Review:	Associate Head
Committee for Review:	Care and Achievement
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Statutory:	Yes

Background

The DofE strongly encourages schools to have uniform as it feels it can support positive behaviour and discipline; it can encourage identity with, and support the ethos of the school; and helps nurture cohesion between different groups of pupils. The Governors of Bungay High School endorse this view. Our formal school uniform is an established feature of our culture which supports our ethos and ensures that our students are dressed for success.

Cost of Uniform

In formulating this policy, the Governors have given consideration to the cost of uniform. For this reason, most items can be obtained from a wide variety of stockists including both chain stores and discount stores. Only three items, the tie the badge and the skirt are exclusively available from our stockist, Screens of Lowestoft.

Attire for the Main School

- White, collared shirt with the top button fastened and a school tie (no tee-shirts nor tee-shirt material. Polo shirts are also not acceptable outside the summer uniform period).
- School tie with red stripe.
- A black school blazer. A school badge is available from local suppliers. No other jacket is to be worn around the school. A plain black V-necked jumper may be worn in addition (no hoodies nor fleece material).
- Enamel badge in the House colour.
- Regulation black school skirt embroidered with our motto in either straight or 'A line' style, OR
- Plain, smart black trousers which must be capable of retaining a front and back crease (not jeans-style, leggings, black cotton nor denim material). Girls may choose to wear trousers instead of the regulation school skirt.
- Black or white short socks, or black tights (must be completely plain).
- Black shoes (no boots or trainers, sensible style for all-day comfort and safety).
- An outer coat of any reasonable style (not leather or denim) may be worn to and from school, but should not be carried or worn around school.
- Scarves must not be worn or carried around the school.
- Hair should be clean and in a style acceptable to the ethos of the school. It should be of uniform natural hair colour. Long hair may be tied back. Shaven or partly shaven heads will not be acceptable. Hair accessories should be discreet and either black or blend with the hair colour.
- Make up and nail varnish should be discreet.
- The safety regulations for earrings must be observed - one pair of small flat studs only. **Other body piercings are not acceptable for safety reasons.** No other jewellery should be worn, except a watch.
- Retainers, clear facial studs or expanders, are not permitted.

IN ANY MATTER OF DISPUTE, THE DECISION OF HEADS OF HOUSE WILL BE FINAL.
ALL ITEMS OF CLOTHING AND PERSONAL PROPERTY SHOULD BE CLEARLY MARKED
WITH THE OWNER'S NAME.

Games Kit Requirements

Boys:

Reversible red rugby shirt with black band

Red sports polo shirt

Black shorts

Black football socks

Football boots

Trainers (not black soled) – with shock absorption qualities – no fashion pumps, skater shoes etc

Tracksuit (black or navy based) - optional

Shin pads (legal requirement)

Gum guard (optional but recommended)

Short white sports socks

Thermal base layer – black, red, white, blue

Girls:

Red sports polo shirt

Black shorts

Short white sports socks

Football boots

Black football socks

Trainers (not black soled) – with shock absorption qualities – no fashion pumps, skater shoes etc

Tracksuit (black or navy based) - optional

Shin pads (legal requirement)

Sweatshirt (black or navy based)

Thermal base layer – black, red, white, blue

Gum guard (optional but recommended)

Attire for Years 12, 13 and 14

Part of the ethos of the Sixth Form is that it should operate in a similar style to a place of work. It will therefore help to prepare students for future employment. Although most employers do not require employees to wear a uniform they do expect certain standards of dress. There are many reasons for this but the majority deal with how the image and perception of a company is viewed by potential employees, investors and the media through the appearance of its staff.

The same is true of the Sixth Form.

As Sixth Formers, students are expected to take on special responsibilities within the school. This presents the individual with opportunities for personal development, which complement academic studies. One area of responsibility in which all Sixth Formers are expected to participate is actively to set a good example to the lower school is appearance.

Students should aim for the 'smart casual' look which is practical, comfortable and business like.

The following is a list of attire that we find unacceptable in our place of work

- Face/body piercing and tattoos



- Revealing items of clothing such as low cut tops or very short skirts
- Items of clothing with logos that could cause offence
- Very short / sports shorts
- Excessively ripped jeans
- Beachwear / swimwear

Non-Uniform Days

Occasional days (approximately one per term) are designated “non-uniform” days. In recent times, at the request of the School Council, these have been held on the last day of each term. Students will be charged a standard amount for the privilege of attending school not dressed in regulation attire. The proceeds from these days will provide a school fund from which the School Council can make charitable donations and from which we can provide a school fund which will exist to financially assist students involved in sports activities, school clubs, societies, and educational visits. Additional non-uniform days for charitable causes are very occasionally agreed by the Headteacher at the request of the School Council.