

UNIFORM REGULATIONS (SIXTH FORM)

The school uniform is compulsory for all students both at school and for journeys to and from school. Any request to vary this policy to meet the needs of any individual pupil in respect of their religion or belief should be made to the Headteacher.

THE UNIFORM comprises:

1. the specified green blazer with the addition of the Sixth Form badge;
2. a conventional white shirt worn with a Sixth Form, Prefect or approved representational tie;
3. black trousers of conventional cut and material (with a plain black belt, if required) OR a branded SHSB uniform skirt worn on the knee;
4. black or dark grey ankle socks and plain black shoes (not plimsolls, trainers or boots). Tights should be natural or black;
5. a black plain-knit V-necked pullover, if required. With the exception of leavers' hoodies at the end of Year 13, sweatshirts and hoodies are not permitted to be worn onsite during school hours.

Students will be notified when the summer uniform option is introduced. Summer uniform allows students to remove the school blazer, although they are free to wear the full school uniform at any time. N.B. coats and pullovers may only be worn *in addition* to the school blazer, not in place of it.

The definition of school uniform also extends to matters of personal presentation, as follows:

1. Make-up, if worn, should be discreet and natural.
2. The wearing of jewellery is not compatible with school uniform. Students may wear discreet finger rings and earrings. Ear piercing, if desired, should be done at a time that minimises impact on school – ideally at the start of the summer holiday. N.B. Facial piercings, other than on the ear, and visible tattoos are expressly forbidden at this school.
3. Facial hair may be worn in the Sixth Form but should be kept clean and tidy to reflect the professional work environment.
4. Hair should reflect the professional work environment and extremes of hairstyle (length, cut or colour) must be avoided. Students who are uncertain how far current fashions are acceptable in school must consult the Head of Sixth Form or Year Leader **before** having their hair restyled. Although Sixth Formers are permitted some measure of discretion in this respect, a student who arrives in school with an unacceptable hairstyle may be barred from attending lessons for an appropriate period of time. Advance discussion is essential.

*As fashions change, the exact letter of the Uniform Regulations can sometimes be difficult to specify; however, its spirit is usually clear. Consequently, **if there could be any possible doubt about the acceptability of a lasting change you are considering, you must consult the Head of Sixth Form or Year Leader before going ahead with it.** The interpretations of the Headteacher, Deputy Head, Head of Sixth Form and Year Leaders are binding in all matters of uniform suitability.*