



## UNIFORM POLICY

### **RATIONALE**

School uniform is worn at Nidderdale High School; the uniform is determined by the Governors and is reviewed from time to time. The school uniform has been selected to:

- a. give students a real pride in their appearance and in their school;
- b. train students in presenting themselves as smartly as possible;
- c. enable students to dress well, irrespective of their home economic circumstances, in clothes that are cheaply available, yet practical and hard-wearing.

### **ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES**

It is the responsibility of all school staff to ensure the uniform rules are upheld.

It is the responsibility of all students to be Ready for Learning, this includes wearing correct uniform.

It is the responsibility of all parents and carers to support their child to be Ready for Learning, this includes ensuring correct uniform is bought and worn. Parents and carers are responsible for updating school about any issues that mean their child cannot wear full uniform and to work with school to resolve the issue as quickly as possible.

Form tutors should perform a uniform check daily and record any issues via Classcharts. Repeated uniform infringements will be recorded as a 'Uniform' negative on Classcharts. Key Stage Learning Managers will follow up ongoing issues with uniform with students and their parents.

### **CONTEXT**

No uniform can prescribe every detail. It is hoped that parents and students will try to follow the spirit of the regulations as well as the letter.

All uniform items and other equipment should be clearly marked with the student's name.

All items of school uniform and PE kit are stocked by Rawcliffes Ltd, East Parade, Harrogate and Smart Start, 3 High Skellgate, Ripon. Parents are able to buy all branded uniform items from these stockists. However, some of the more general items are also available from other clothing stores in the area.

If there are any doubts, it is useful to ring the school **before** an item is bought, or call in to the School Office to see the complete uniform. This would be especially useful to do before purchasing girls' trousers from shops other than the school suppliers as girls' trousers are not so easily available in the approved tailored style.

## UNIFORM

The uniform comprises the following:

- A school blazer with logo (available from Stockists only)
- black tailored trousers
- black **pleated knee-length** school skirt **with or without** school logo
- white shirt – with a top button fastened
- school tie (available from Stockists only)
- plain black socks, or black or natural tights
- black low-heeled shoes (see note regarding permitted styles)

### Optional Items:

The following items are only available from Stockists. Neither of these items may be worn in place of the blazer.

- School hoodies (for outdoor use/PE)
- Plain black **v-necked** jumper **with or without** school logo

Students should arrive and leave school in a suitable coat or the school fleece/school hoodie. These must not be worn indoors at any time.

Non-permitted items:

- Jeans, corduroys, leggings or tight 'leggings style' trousers are not allowed at all.
- Fluffy socks should not be worn over tights. One pair of socks or a pair of tights.
- Boots of any kind must not be worn in school.
- Trainer style shoes will only be permitted if completely black, unbranded and with black soles and black laces. If worn as outdoor shoes, the same trainers should not be worn for PE.
- Canvas shoes.
- No jewellery may be worn, except for one rubber charity bracelet and one pair of small plain studs or sleepers worn one per ear lobe.
- Belts should be plain black with a normal buckle. Branded or ornate buckles must not be worn.
- Hair colour should not be an unnatural colour e.g. blue or pink or dyed in different shades; nor should it be cut or styled in an extreme fashion e.g. tram lines or Mohican style.
- Tracksuit tops, denim, leather or camouflage jackets are not permitted.
- No make up is to be worn by Key Stage 3 students. A discreet amount of make up maybe worn at Key Stage 4 at the discretion of the Form Tutor.
- No coloured nail varnish may be worn. Acrylic nails are not permitted.

## UNIFORM FOR PHYSICAL EDUCATION (PE)

PE kit must be clearly marked with the student's name and brought to school for PE lessons in a suitable bag.

Footwear for use in the Sports Hall must not have black soles as they mark the floor. It is worthwhile to have two pairs of training shoes - a strong outdoor pair and a softer indoor pair.

Shin pads for use in football/rugby and hockey, and a gum shield are strongly recommended. We also recommend football/rugbyboots for playing competitive games in lessons as we use the school field for football/rugby.

### Standard kit:

- Maroon Panelled Polo top (available from Stockists only)
- Either Black PE shorts, Skort, tracksuit bottoms or leggings( with logo available from Stockists only), - Students are expected to have at least **one** of these four items as part of their standard PE kit.
- Black knee-length socks/trainer socks
- Training shoes

### Optional items:

- Maroon Panelled Rugby top (available from Stockists only)
- ¼ Zipped Top
- Rugby/football boots
- Towel and comb or hairbrush
- School / House hoodie for appropriate sports only (available from Stockists/school )
- Waterproof jacket

### **NEARLY NEW UNIFORM**

The school has a stock of second hand uniform that can be purchased or borrowed. Please contact the school office of pastoral team for more information.

### **EXEMPTION**

Very rarely, a specific exemption to an item of uniform requirement may be applied for. This is not usually granted for any reason other than on medical grounds, in which case written application should be made to the Headteacher. Other requests on religious or compassionate grounds should be made through the Headteacher to the Governing Body.

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