

WOLFRETON SCHOOL and SIXTH FORM COLLEGE

Policy Document UNIFORM POLICY

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1. Introduction

School uniform in Year 7 to Year 11 is worn to encourage the development of self-confidence and pride in the school; a high standard of personal appearance is expected of all young people at all times. We believe that the school uniform sets standards in terms of high expectations and a purposeful attitude towards learning, whilst promoting the school and its ethos. Wearing the correct school uniform during the school day and whilst travelling to and from school is important to us. Young people are expected to take personal responsibility for wearing their uniform and meeting the expectations of our 'smart-business-like' ethos. As partners, parents and carers are asked to enable us to maintain standards and expectations by ensuring that their child is wearing the full uniform correctly.

2. Smart Business Like

The principles of a smart business-like appearance underpin the school uniform policy. Expectations are regularly communicated to all young people and shared with parents / carers.

SMART BUSINESS-LIKE EXPECTATIONS	
Watches and jewellery	<p>Young people may wear:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• A wrist-watch with a plain strap (Smart watches are not permitted)• One single pair of small stud earrings in the lobe of the ear• One single discrete ring <p>No additional earrings or piercings may be worn in the ear or elsewhere. Bars or spacers are not permitted. No other bracelets or necklaces should be worn. Young people are advised not to bring any jewellery to school. Young people who do so must be aware that the school accepts no responsibility for any jewellery that is lost or stolen.</p>
Hair	Extreme hair styles are not permitted. This includes unnatural colours for example, blue, green, pink, purple, bright red and designs cut into the hair, for example tramlines.
Make-up	Young people may only wear subtle foundation, suitable for a business environment. No heavy eye shadow / mascara and no false eye-lashes. No nail varnish or acrylic / gel type nails.
Body / facial	Body / facial piercings are incompatible with life in a safe-working, business-like

piercings	school environment and are not permitted to be worn. If a young person has a piercing in the summer holiday, it must be done in the first two weeks of the holiday to allow sufficient time to heal so it can be removed upon return in September. No other holiday provides sufficient healing time.
Tattoos	Young people with a tattoo / tattoos are required to keep them covered at all times.
Coats and hooded tops	Coats are likely to be required for inclement weather. Coats with decorated with inappropriate phrases / text are not permitted. Coats must not be worn in the school building. Hooded tops should not be worn as an alternative to a coat. Sweatshirts / hooded tops must not be worn under blazers.
Hats	Hats are not permitted except in extreme weather (except for religious observance or medical need). In such weather they may be worn outside but must not be worn anywhere in the school building.
Accessories	Earphones, scarves, significant hair accessories or additional accessories are not part of the school uniform and must not be worn. If a belt is required this must be thin and black.
Wolfreton 'team' clothing	Hoodies and jumpers bearing the school logo may be purchased by team / cast / trip members. These may not be worn in the school as part of the school uniform.
Mobile devices	The use of mobile devices is not permitted on the school site. Mobile devices must be turned off and kept in bags, out of sight during the school day. Audio equipment / speakers are not permitted in school. Any young person who brings a mobile device or audio player to school with them does so at their own risk. The school takes no responsibility for the loss, theft or damage of these items.
Money / wristwatches	Any small sums of money or wristwatches brought to school are the young person's responsibility during the day including morning break and lunchtime.
School bag	Students are expected to bring a suitable school bag each day, large enough to carry their books / files.

Any item deemed inappropriate by the school must be removed. Refusal to remove inappropriate items will be addressed through the Positive Discipline Policy.

3. SCHOOL UNIFORM

All young people in years 7 to 11 are expected to wear the School uniform.

House Tie	Wolfreton House tie, worn with top button of shirt / blouse fastened. 7-8 full stripes to be showing at all times. Please confirm house colour before purchase.*				
	Nightingale Purple	Owen Yellow	Rowntree Green	Tomlinson Red	Wilberforce Teal
Wolfreton Blazer*	Black blazer with School logo. The blazer must be worn to the School every day.				
Shirt / Blouse	Plain white, formal uniform type of standard length to tuck in and with standard shirt type collar. Sleeves may be full length or short. No fitted shirts, no darts, no trim, motifs, writing, logos or coloured buttons. All shirts must be worn tucked in. If a t-shirt / thermal is worn underneath for warmth this must not be visible, must be plain white with no writing or logos and sleeves must not extend beyond the shirt.				
Skirts	Plain black tailored skirt. Skirts must sit no more than just above the knee. Skirts should not be of stretchy material or skintight. Any belt must be plain black with a small, plain black buckle. N.B. The black Colchester skirt that meets the school policy is available from the school uniform supplier.				
Trousers	Smart, tailored, plain black, formal uniform type. No close-fitting trousers, lycra, jean,				

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	cotton or cord type material. Trousers must be worn to cover ankles; no capri / cropped trousers. Any belt must be plain black with a small, plain buckle. N.B. The black Slimbridge and Trimley trousers that meet the school policy are available from the school uniform supplier.
Socks	Plain black, grey or white socks. Plain black tights.
Footwear	Plain, black, polishable leather or leather-look shoes with flat / low heels (No other type of shoe e.g. fabric, sandals, baseball boots, sports trainers are permitted). Plain, black, polishable ankle boots are only permitted if worn with school trousers that conceal the boot (no UGG boots or knee length boots). Shoes with logos in contrasting colours are not permitted. Decorations are not permitted. Laces must be black.
V-necked jumper <i>(optional)</i>	Black school jumper with the Wolfreton logo. No plain black jumpers. N.B. A crew neck sweatshirt with a school logo is not part of the school uniform policy.
V-necked cardigan <i>(optional)</i>	Black school cardigan with the Wolfreton logo. No plain black cardigans.
Dress code for practical subjects	An apron to protect clothes. Young people may buy their own or borrow a school apron. For heavy craft work, it is important that strong, practical shoes are worn in workshops.

**Available from the school office (Only item sold in the school).*

4. PE Kit

All young people in years 7 to 11 are expected to wear the School PE Kit in all indoor and outdoor PE lessons and on Sports Day. When representing the school, young people will either be expected to wear the School PE Kit or a team kit.

Mandatory items	Polo shirt (Haze)	Navy and gold with Wolfreton logo		
	Navy shorts / skort	Milan shorts with white stripe (Boys)	Response shorts (Girls)	Skort
	Multi sports top (Boys)*	Navy and gold with Wolfreton logo		
	Plain navy hooded top (Girls)**	For outdoor PE in winter		
	Sports Socks	Navy and gold with Wolfreton stitching		
Optional items	Base layer	White		
	Hooded top (Sprint)**	Navy with Wolfreton logo		
	Base Layer Navy Sports Leggings	Plain Navy		

** The hooded top is not a suitable alternative for rugby.*

*** Branded / non-branded alternative. Both are not required.*

Additional safety requirements for PE lessons include:

1. It is a health and safety regulation that all young people must tie their hair back for PE activities, where the staff deem it necessary.
2. Parents are requested that young people have shin pads for every football and hockey activity, as a health and safety priority.
3. East Riding of Yorkshire Council recommend that young people wear mouth guards when taking part in invasive games e.g. rugby and hockey. These can be fitted by dentists or bought from retail sports outlets. Official RFU /RFL safety head gear may be worn for rugby activities at the discretion of parents / carers.

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4. Young people must bring a change of clothing for PE.

5. Extreme weather

In extreme winter weather, young people who walk to school may choose to wear boots for their journey. School shoes should be brought and changed into in the school building.

During the summer, young people are still expected to bring their blazers to the school, however a sensible decision will be taken each day and when too hot, a clear message will be projected on screens in the Forum inviting young people to remove blazers should they wish.

6. Modifications for religious reasons

Any requests to modify the school uniform for religious reasons must be made in writing to the Headteacher before admittance.

7. Suppliers

This policy has due regard for the DfE (2021) School uniforms guidance and as such, the total cost of the uniform is kept under review and with the exception of a small number of branded items, uniform can be purchased from any retailer selling school uniform, as long as it meets the expectations outlined in this policy.

Our school uniform and PE kit suppliers are selected following a review of 'best value'. In considering this we evaluate factors including cost, quality and the service provided to our parents.

Our supplier for branded items is Steady School Wear. They offer a local a local shop for parents and young people to visit and also a website for online orders. Details are published on the School website. Any other supplier can be used for all other items.

The school also promotes access to second hand uniform. Each year students and parents are requested to donate items which are no longer needed to one of the local school uniform banks or direct to the school. Parents are invited to contact the school for further information as required.

School Ties

School ties are the only item sold in the school. A replacement tie can be purchased from the SchoolOffice.

8. Maintaining standards

Young people who choose not to follow the school uniform and smart-business like expectations can expect to be addressed through the Behaviour Policy. Young people will receive a first 'Warning' and will be invited to rectify any issue that can be resolved immediately. This includes removing any item deemed inappropriate by the school. Where an aspect cannot be resolved, a young person can expect to be placed in isolation until such time that the issue can be resolved.

9. Lost property

All school uniform and PE kit should be clearly labelled with the young person's name to enable it to be identified in lost property if lost.

Any lost property is transferred to the Main Office, where it is held for a period of no longer than 6 weeks.