

NORTHAMPTON HIGH SCHOOL

SCHOOL UNIFORM POLICY

This policy relates to all phases of the school; EYFS, Junior School, Senior School and Sixth Form

All GDST schools require pupils to wear a uniform. School uniform gives a sense of community and can instil pride in the school. It contributes to our ethos and sets an appropriate tone, supporting positive behaviour and discipline. It also supports pupils in learning how to dress properly.

Our uniform has been developed in consultation with pupils, parents, staff and local governors. Pupil voice is listened to when developing additions and changes to the uniform. Cost is considered carefully when deciding on designs and suppliers.

Communication of Policy

This policy is available on request by any member of the school community and is part of the Parents' Handbook.

A short version of this policy is publicised in all form rooms for easy referral by pupils and tutors.

Equal Opportunities

We will seek to make appropriate arrangements to reflect requirements of pupils regarding acceptable variations. We are sensitive to and respect the needs of different cultures, races, medical conditions, gender and religions.

Any variations to the uniform must comply with Health and Safety requirements.

Procedures in the Event of Non-Compliance

Non-compliance with the uniform policy will be dealt with on a case by case basis and in an age-appropriate way. Sanctions may be imposed for breaches, particularly repeated breaches which will be dealt with by the class teacher (Junior School), Form Tutor (Senior School), Head of Year, Junior School Deputy Head or Deputy Head Pastoral Care and Guidance as appropriate.

We may ask a pupil to go home to change their clothes if appropriate. Parents will be notified and may be asked to attend a meeting to discuss issues if uniform breaches are regular.

Pupils wearing jewellery that does not conform to standards, including in PE and Food Technology, will be asked to remove them and put them somewhere safe. Refusal to do so, for any reason, will result in sanctions under the Rewards and Sanctions Policy.

Pupils with hair colour which does not meet the rules outlined below will be asked to ensure it is corrected at the very earliest opportunity. This may include being required to dye hair back to a natural colour or remove brightly coloured extensions/braids.

Junior School Uniform (Reception-Year 6)

All items in *italics* should *only* be purchased from our uniform stockists, Schoolblazer. **Please go to:** http://www.schoolblazer.com and click on the crest for Northampton High School.

Winter uniform (October half term – May half term)	
2 year olds	
Leggings – navy	Compulsory – can be purchased locally
Polo Shirt - white	Compulsory
Sweatshirt - navy	Compulsory
3 & 4 year olds to Year 2	
Tartan Pinafore	Compulsory
Polo Shirt - white	Compulsory
Cardigan - navy	Compulsory
Years 3 to 6	
Tartan Kilt	Compulsory
Long-sleeved Open-neck Blouse - white	Compulsory
Sleeveless V Neck	Compulsory
Cardigan - navy	Optional
	All Year Groups
Socks/Tights	Navy knee-length socks/tights
Coat	Navy, fleece lined water-proof coat with hood and embroidered with school crest
Shoes/Boots	Plain black shoes with a low heel Plain black boots/Wellingtons may be worn to and from school, but not indoors
Fleece Hat – navy	Compulsory
Fleece Scarf – navy	Compulsory
Fleece Gloves - navy	Compulsory

Summer uniform – all years from age 3 (May half term-October half term)	
Dress	Compulsory
Purse Belt (Years 3 to 6)	Optional
Cardigan - navy	Compulsory
Socks	White ankle or knee-length socks
Legionnaires Cap — Nursery, Reception & Yr1	Compulsory
Baseball Cap	Compulsory
Shoes	Plain black sandals (not open-toed or sling back) or plain black shoes
OTHER ITEMS	
Art overall (Years 1 to 3)	Compulsory
Art wrap-over overall (Year 4-6)	Compulsory
Backpack	Compulsory for Nursery to Year 4
Bookbag	Compulsory for Nursery to Year 2

PHYSICAL EDUCATION & GAMES	
Royal Blue Crested PE Polo	Compulsory Nursery to Year 2
Cobalt Blue Polo shirt	Compulsory Year 3 and up
Games Polo shirt – navy	Compulsory Year 4 and up
Jogging Bottoms - navy	Compulsory Nursery to Year 2
Sweatshirt - navy	Compulsory Nursery to Year 2
Tracksuit Top - navy	Compulsory Year 3 and up
Tracksuit Bottoms - navy	Compulsory Year 3 and up
Shorts – navy	Compulsory Nursery and up
Skort – navy	Compulsory Year 3 and up
PE drawstring Kit Bag	Compulsory Nursery to Year 2
Sports Bag	Compulsory Year 3 and up
Shin pads	Compulsory Year 2 and up
Gum Shield	Compulsory Year 3 and up
Hooped Games Socks	Compulsory Year 2 and up
Navy Base layer Top	Compulsory Year 3 to Year 6
Soft Shell Jacket	Optional Year 3 to Year 6
Navy Thermal Base layer Leggings	Optional Year 3 to Year 6
Socks	White ankle sports socks

Footwear	Trainers for outdoor use (Year 1 to Year 3) Trainers for use on the artificial pitch (Year 4 to Year 6) Plimsolls for indoor use – no black soles (Nursery to Year 2) Trainers for indoor use (Year 3 to year 6)
Swimwear	One-piece costume (black or navy) and swimming hat (navy or black)

BALLET – Ballet is part of the curriculum for Nursery and Reception. Nursery girls only require shoes; Reception girls need ballet kit as below, which is available from A Dancers World in Northampton Tel: 01604 634068. For girls in Years 1 to 6 Ballet is optional.	
Shoes	Pink satin or leather (satin preferred for examinations)
Black character shoes from Grade 1	
Reception to Year 3:	
Leotard	Pale pink, short sleeved RAD regulation leotard
Socks	Short pink ballet socks
Skirt	Pale pink chiffon wrap-over skirt (Reception and Year 1)
Character skirt (from Grade 1)	
Year 4 upwards:	
Leotard	Lavender sleeveless RAD regulation leotard
Socks/tights	Short pink ballet socks or tights

Jewellery: The following are permitted: watch, plain ear stud or sleeper (one in each ear).

No jewellery of any kind may be worn during any PE, Games or swimming lessons.

Senior School Uniform (Years 7 to 11)

Official Outfitter- Schoolblazer

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UNIFORM	
Kilt*	Kilt – plain navy. This should sit on or only just above the knee (no more than 2" above the knee). Or Navy Trousers
Blouse*	Blouse - long sleeve or short sleeve, navy NHS stripe
Jumper*	Sleeveless V Neck or Long Sleeved Navy V Neck
Socks/Tights*	Navy or black tights or navy, black or white knee-length/short socks (no trainer socks)
Fitted Jacket*	Dark Navy with School Crest Pupils are expected to wear their fitted Jacket in school, but may remove in lessons if it is too warm.
Shoes	Plain Black leather shoes with flat heels giving adequate support. Canvas shoes, ballet style pumps and trainers are not allowed – they do not provide appropriate support and do not fit the smart style of our uniform.
Optional Items	Navy fleece scarf with embroidered crest Navy fleece gloves Navy fleece ski-style hat with embroidered crest Coat (any style and colour is acceptable)

*These items are compulsory

JEWELLERY	The following items are the only items of jewellery permitted Watch Small Gold/Silver Religious symbol (necklace or bracelet) Plain ear stud or small sleeper (no more than one in each ear) No body piercings, other than in the ears (as above) are
	allowed in school
	No visible tattoos

PHYSICAL EDUCATION – COMPULSORY ITEMS	
Footwear	Trainers with laces for outside use
	Trainers with laces for indoor use (non marking)
Shirt	School white PE polo shirt and school navy games shirt
Shorts	Plain navy (not long cycling shorts)
Skirt	School navy skort

Socks	Hooped Hockey socks White ankle sports socks
Sweatshirt	School Hooded Jumper
Swimwear	One-piece costume (navy or black) and swimming hat
Tracksuit	School tracksuit bottoms
PHYSICAL EDUCATION – OPTIONAL ITEMS	
School tracksuit – top	
Navy thermal base layer top	
Navy thermal base layer leggings	
School fitness vest and leggings	
SPORTS EQUIPMENT	
Kit bag	
Goggles (optional)	
Hockey stick	
Shin pads, gum shield and astro-turf trainers for hockey	
Tennis racket	

Students are required to wear their uniform with pride, as smart representatives of the school, whilst at school and when out and about.

Mufti Days

From time to time we hold mufti days to raise money for charity or for school trips. On these days, we expect the following points to be noted:

- 1. Jeans should not have holes in them
- 2. All clothing should cover under garments, cleavage and midriff
- 3. Shorts and skirts should cover thighs when sitting down

Acceptable Uniform Standards for All Age Groups

- All articles of clothing and personal possessions must be clearly marked with the name of the pupil.
- Flat or low-heeled formal leather/leather-look shoes should be worn to avoid accidents. Canvas shoes, trainers and high heels are not acceptable. In Junior School, shoes should be flat.
- Tights should be plain, in the colours specified in the uniform list and should not be patterned, laddered or contain holes.
- No visible tattoos are permitted
- No jewellery of any kind may be worn during any PE or Food Technology lessons
- Make-up may only be worn by Sixth Form.
- Hair longer than shoulder length should be tied back when required, for health & safety reasons including Science, Food and PE. Hair should be styled neatly or in a natural form.
- Hair accessories should be simple and in keeping with the uniform.

- Unnatural hair colours, such as pink, green and purple, are unacceptable, as are dramatic differences, such as bright blond highlights in very dark hair. Whilst extensions, braids and weaves are permitted, they must also meet the rules on colour as set out above.
- No nail varnish, including gel overlays or similar.
- No acrylic nails or false nail extensions, or similar, are permitted at any time.

Students or parents who would like further guidance should consult with tutors, Heads of Year or the Deputy Head Pastoral Care and Guidance. The Head of Year's decision on what constitutes acceptable uniform is final.

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