

School Uniform Policy

September 2024





School uniform plays a valuable role in contributing to the ethos of our College. It supports positive behaviour and discipline and encourages identity with the school.

Uniform at Hazelwood is compulsory, and all students are expected to wear their uniform with pride. Wearing a uniform ensures pupils of all races and backgrounds feel welcome. It promotes inclusion and good relations between different groups of pupils. It also helps us identify with our 'Hazelwood family'.

Pupils in breach of the Uniform Policy will be dealt with at first either by a member of staff, their Form Tutor, Head of Year or a member of Senior Leadership Team.

Cost: Approximate prices are located at the back of the policy. The prices vary based on sizing.

Help: If any family requires support with purchasing uniform, please contact the Principal's P.A., all matters will be dealt with discretely.

JUNIOR/SENIOR SCHOOL UNIFORM

- Blue blazer (to be worn to and from lessons and never to be put in schoolbag)
- White shirt (must be tucked in)
- School Tie
- Navy v-neck jumper with blue and white stripe
- Black trousers, black socks with black belt (no 'skinny' trousers)
- Navy ankle-length box-pleated skirt

- Navy socks with trim (if wearing skirt) no white socks
- Black tights
- Plain black leather shoes
- Plain black/navy overcoat (over blazer and removed indoors)
- College Scarf (removed in classes)
- College Gilet and coat are available from some suppliers
- An appropriate schoolbag must be brought to school every day

POST 16 SCHOOL UNIFORM

- Grey blazer (to be worn to and from lessons and never to be put in schoolbag)
- White shirt
- Post 16 tie
- Maroon v-neck jumper with navy and white stripe
- Black trousers, black socks with black belt (no 'skinny' trousers)
- Maroon *knee-length* box-pleated skirt

- Grey socks with trim (if wearing skirt) no white socks
- Black tights
- Plain black leather shoes
- Black/Navy overcoat (over blazer and removed indoors)
- College Scarf (removed in classes)
- An appropriate schoolbag must be brought to school every day

PE KIT - STUDENTS WEAR TO SCHOOL - ONLY ON PE DAYS

- College PE shirt (with badge)
- College navy shorts or College black leggings
- College socks
- Trainers
- College tracksuit (optional)

- College hoodie (optional)
- Football boots (optional)
- College tracksuit bottoms (optional)
- College 3/4 zip-top (optional)

UNACCEPTABLE FOOTWEAR



Please bear in mind when purchasing school shoes that the footwear above is **NOT** considered suitable.

No visible logos, boots, trainer-style shoes or shoes made with canvas material.

NB: DM-style boots are *not* permitted.

No fizzy drinks/energy drinks permitted on school grounds – will be confiscated.

SUMMER UNIFORM

When the temperature is warmer than usual, the Principal will notify students that they can use the following methods for thermal comfort:

- Wear short sleeved shirt and tie
- Wear navy/black socks instead of tights
- Remove school jumper
- PE kit is not allowed on non-PE days

SCHOOL BAGS: A school bag is required. Bags must be big enough to hold equipment and schoolbooks up to A4 and A3 size.

THERMAL WATER BOTTLES: (Hot water bottles) are NOT allowed in school.

MAKE-UP & NAILS: Make-up and fake tan must not be worn from Years 8 to 12. Nails must be of a length that is practical and safe to write, type and to participate in practical subjects.

Sixth Form make-up should be discreet and appropriate for a school environment. Nails must be of a length that is practical and safe to write, type and to participate in practical subjects.

HAIR/HAIR ORNAMENTS: Hairstyles must be consistent with health and safety: tied back if long. Synthetic braids are not permitted. No extremes of hair colour or style are allowed, to include dip-dye, full or part shaving of the head (including patterns). Eyebrows that have been dyed, shaved/partially shaved will not be allowed, except for medical reasons. Plain hair bands may be worn but only of a matching colour to uniform. Caps and hats are not permitted.

JEWELLERY: One small, plain silver, gold or black stud may be worn in the *earlobes* only — no hoop earrings are allowed. No stretchers or ear bars.

No facial piercings on upper/mid ear, eyebrows, chin or mouth or tongue-bars are allowed for health and safety reasons. Students are permitted to wear one small nose stud. No other type is allowed, e.g. nose hoops/rings.

A wristwatch may be worn with one bracelet on each arm. A single chain, e.g. representing the religious symbol of a student's faith (such as a cross), is permitted but must be discreet and worn under the shirt. One ring is permitted on each hand. Jewellery must be removed for Physical Education and other practical subjects, e.g. Home Economics/Hospitality, Technology & Design, Art & Design, Science, etc.

TATTOOS: Even if a child has parental permission, it is illegal to get a tattoo in the UK under the age of 18.

It is an offence in Northern Ireland for a tattoo artist to tattoo someone under 18 (for which they can be prosecuted). It makes no difference if the minor is accompanied by an adult.

Students with tattoos must have them covered by uniform items.

ENFORCEMENT OF THE POLICY

It is the responsibility of the staff and Senior Leadership Team (SLT) to monitor and enforce the uniform as part of the day to day running of the school.

Parents have the responsibility to ensure that their child comes to school in the correct uniform.

In the first instance: the Form Tutor should deal with any minor breach of the uniform policy. A message could be sent home via a note in the student's homework diary, a letter home or a phone call.

Subsequently: the student will be referred to the Assistant Head of Year.

Finally: the student will be sent to the relevant Head of Year or a member of the Senior Leadership Team who will, if necessary, send the student home, in agreement with parents, to change or provide a short-term school-based uniform solution for that day.

In the case of jewellery and other accessories which infringe on the policy, a member of staff will ask the student to remove the item(s). This will be taken to

the General Office and may be collected at the end of the school day by the student or parent. Further infringement of this policy will result in parents collecting the item from the College office

The SLT will be the final arbiters in all matters of uniform and dress. Pupils can discuss matters with their Form Tutor to ensure clarity.

COLLEGE INTERVENTIONS FOR NOT WEARING THE CORRECT UNIFORM

- Student given a pair of unused/clean black socks (to keep).
- Student given a clear/opaque nose stud retainer (to keep).
- Student places inappropriate jewellery/items in an envelope.
- Phone call to parents/guardians to ensure improvement in uniform standards.
- After-school detention e.g. for putting school blazer in schoolbag.
- Sent home to get appropriate uniform (in agreement with parents/guardians).
- Internal suspension (for blatant/persistent breaches of the Uniform Policy).
- Potential suspension from school if no improvement.

RATIONALE FOR SCHOOL UNIFORM

Safety

If all students wear a clearly recognisable uniform, it is easy to identify strangers. On the way to and from school it also affords a degree of safety as the students are part of a large body of young people who will look out for each other.

Ready to Work

Putting on uniform is a signal you are going to work hard and learn.

Raising Aspirations

Students have told us that if they look smart, they will have more self-belief and achieve more.

A Sense of Pride

Uniform and team kits help our students to demonstrate pride in their school.

Preparation for the Future

Many jobs require staff to wear a uniform or there is often a dress code. Uniform helps young people get used to dressing to a prescribed standard and know the difference between formal and informal dress.

Relieves Students from Fashion Trend Stress

Uniform eliminates the stress placed on students to purchase and wear expensive, apparel items. It prevents students from being pressurised to follow trends.

Value for Money

Uniform is a relatively inexpensive way of dressing young people for school.

Review of Policy

The Uniform Policy will be reviewed annually.

STOCKISTS

The Sports Company: 553 Antrim Road, 028 9062 5072

Kay's Corner: 295 Shankill Road, 028 9023 9054

School Days: 271 Antrim Road, 028 9083 3132

PRICING GUIDE [STOCKIST PRICES MAY VARY SLIGHTLY]:

Please contact the suppliers to find out about Summer Discounts, Uniform Clubs and Bundle Rates.

BLAZER [YEAR 8 – YEAR 12]		
Size	Price	
7 x 15	£42	
16 x 18	£50	
19 x 26	£55	

BLAZER [POST 16]	
Size	Price
Up to 37"	£50
38" Up	£55

TROUSERS		
Size	Price	
Plus fit	£20	
9 x 14	£28	
15 x 18		
26 x 28	£20	
29 x 32 YTHS	£24	
30 x 42 MENS	£28	

JUMPERS		
Size	Price	
26 x 34	£26	
36 x 38	£28	
40 x 42	£30	
44 x48	£32	

SHIRTS & BLOUSES	
Size	Price
Up to 14" 2 pack	£17
14.5" up 2 pack	£20
Up to 36" 2 pack	£17
38" up 2 pack	£20

SKIRTS		
Size	Price	
Navy skirt up to 28"	£30	
Navy skirt over 30"	£35	
Burgundy skirt to 28"	£22	
Burgundy skirt 29" +	£24	

TIES	
Size	Price
One Size	£8

SCARF	
Size	Price
One Size	£15

PE KIT		
Тор	£22	
Shorts	£15	
Leggings	Up to 12/13: £16	
Socks	£6	
1/4 zip [Optional]	£35	
Skinnies [Optional]	£22	
Hoody [Optional]	Up to 12/13: £16	XS-XL: £20
Coat [Optional]	Up to 2XLY £25	XS-XL £30
Gilet [Optional]	£26	