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Malton School Uniform Policy

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AIMS:

- To encourage and promote self belief and pride in the school through the maintenance of a smart uniform.
- To foster a sense of collective identity by having a consistent uniform, worn correctly.
- To support security in the school through quick identification of those who should and those who should not be on the site.
- To minimise potential issues arising from social inequality by having an affordable uniform offered on a no profit basis.
- To support gender equality by having a non-gender specific uniform code.
- To allow options for temperature control and personal comfort whilst sustaining a smart and purposeful appearance.
- To maintain a simple uniform code that is easily understood by students, parents and staff, and which is easily enforced.

THE UNIFORM CODE (Years 7 to 11):

- Either:
 - Plain black, formal trousers (full length); (Please note: jeans, skin-tight fitting, ski-pants, denim, canvas or jogging suit material are not acceptable)
 - Pleated black skirt / or **school skirt***. Skirts must be worn no higher than just above the knee.
 - Plain black long shorts / or **school shorts***. Shorts must be worn no higher than just above the knee.
- Pale blue, formal, long or short sleeved, non-fitted / shaped shirt with collar.
- Plain dark coloured socks or tights.
- Plain black shoes.
- **School tie***
- **School blazer***
- **Sleeveless school jumper*** (an optional item to wear under blazer in cold weather)
- A waterproof coat or jacket (denim or leather jackets are not allowed)
- **A school baseball cap*** (optional item for hot weather in summer term – only headgear allowed at break / lunchtime)
- Craft Apron – Navy Blue
- House Ties, Half-Colours and Full Colours will be issued to students as an award in recognition of their service to House or School.

FOR PHYSICAL EDUCATION AND GAMES

- **Unisex or Fitted Blue Polo shirt with school emblem***
- **Blue Reversible Games Jersey or Quarter Zip Top (or both)***
- **Navy blue shorts or skort***
- Pale blue hockey/football socks
- White sports socks
- Plain navy blue training pants / tracksuit trousers / leggings (optional)
- Trainers (non-marking - suitable for indoor use)
- Hockey/Football boots with moulded plastic studs or blades only (screw in studs and blades are **NOT** allowed)
- Shin pads
- Mouth Guard / Gumshield
- Fingerless gloves (optional)

FOR DRAMA

- **Plain black school crested drama t-shirt*** (or a plain black t-shirt)
- Plain black leggings, jogging or tracksuit bottoms
- Trainers (non-marking for indoor use) or jazz shoes/dance trainers

* Items only obtainable from School

WIDER UNIFORM REGULATIONS

Clothing

1. If T-shirts are worn under shirts they must not be visible.
2. Scarves are not to be worn in the school buildings.
3. Baseball caps and other headgear are not allowed to be worn on the school premises (with the exception of outdoor PE/Games lessons in the summer term under the supervision of their teacher, Sports Day and any other occasions where the school is requiring students to have to be outdoors for an extended period of time). Where a student needs or wants a hat for breaks and lunchtime, the only allowable headgear is a badged school baseball cap available from the School Uniform Shop.
4. Sweatshirts, hoodies and non-school jumpers are not allowed to be worn on the school premises.
5. All items of clothing and personal kit should be clearly marked with the student's name. This will help in recovering lost property.

Footwear

1. Students need to wear sensible footwear which supports the feet and keeps them warm and dry but do not damage the floors in school.
2. Footwear must be **plain black**
3. No high heels allowed.
4. Ankle length lightweight boots are allowed. When worn with trousers they must be worn **under the trousers**.

Hair and Make-up

1. Hair must be unobtrusively styled in **naturally occurring** tones.
2. Long hair must be tied back for PE, Games, Technology and Science lessons.
3. Nail varnish and extensions should not be worn in school.
4. Any make up used must be discreet (looking entirely natural). Excessive make-up will have to be removed.

Jewellery

1. Small ear studs may be worn. No other items of jewellery are allowed (i.e. necklaces, rings, bracelets). A watch may be worn. Jewellery poses a health and safety risk in physical education, technology and science lessons.

Tattoos and Body Piercing

1. Tattoos are not allowed, as it is illegal to tattoo anyone under the age of 18 years. To avoid confusion, transfers must not be worn.
2. Body piercing, with the exception of ears, is not allowed. Consequently studs or rings are not allowed in any part of the body (except small ear studs).
When body piercing is carried out there is often a requirement that the piercing remains in for several weeks initially. Please make certain before allowing any piercing to take place that this initial period does not fall in school time as all piercings will need to be removed for school. Any student refusing to remove a body piercing will be isolated until the piercing is removed.

Sanctions

- If a student does not conform to uniform requirements they will be issued with a negative comment on each day until the correct uniform is worn. To avoid this, if there is a genuine reason why your son/daughter can not wear the full uniform please put this in writing to their Form Tutor giving a clear indication of when the matter will be rectified. The school will have to consider each of these cases individually.
- If a student persistently breaches uniform requirements without a good reason they may be placed in isolation.
- Persistent failure to wear correct uniform may be noted in student references; **many employers ask for a comment on dress and appearance.**

Medical Exemptions

If a student has long term medical problems which affect their ability to wear part of the school uniform a medical exemption pass will be issued **on receipt of a medical note.**

UNIFORM MUST BE WORN SMARTLY AT ALL TIMES.

THIS MEANS:

- **TOP BUTTON DONE UP**
- **TIE DONE UP TO THE COLLAR SHOWING THE CREST**
- **SHIRT TUCKED IN**
- **SKIRT OR SHORTS WORN NO HIGHER THAN JUST ABOVE THE KNEE**

The Head's decision is final on all matters relating to school uniform

1. The Headteacher reserves the right to amend in exceptional hot or cold weather conditions.
2. Exemptions are made for sporting events, activities and trips. For each event students are advised on appropriate clothing and headwear.
3. Exemptions may be made on religious and medical grounds.

THE SIXTH FORM DRESS CODE (Years 12 and 13):

In recognition of the increased maturity of sixth form students, and as a staging post between compulsory education and moving out into adult life, we do not require a formal uniform but instead follow a dress code that expects each student at this level to maintain an appearance that is appropriate for a working environment.

This dress code does not discriminate and is designed to be sufficiently simple to enable all students to comply. Students are allowed to choose what they wear but are expected to be appropriately dressed and neat in appearance.

There are a small number of specific exclusions for items that must not be worn:

Exclusions:

- Ripped jeans, ripped shorts or other items of ripped clothing.
- Sportswear including jogging bottoms, track suits.
- Cropped tops.
- Any hats or headgear (with the exception of the points made above for main school).
- T-shirts or any items with offensive logos or that might cause offense to others.
- Unacceptably short skirts and dresses or short, tight shorts (i.e. students should adhere to the standards of the main school uniform policy here where shorts and skirts must be worn no higher than just above the knee).

Lanyards:

Sixth Form students must wear their lanyard at all times (unless specifically asked to remove them – eg by their science, technology or physical education teachers during a practical). All members of the school community are expected to be either in uniform or to wear a lanyard. This is so that people who should not be on the school site can be quickly identified. Sixth form students should not challenge people who are not wearing a lanyard, but should inform a member of staff as soon as possible. This also means that students who are not wearing lanyards can expect to be challenged by members of staff. Persistent failure to wear a lanyard will result in loss of privileges (eg agreed absence).