



Code of dress 2022-2023

How pupils prepare and present themselves for their academic day, is highly important at Norton Canes High School. Adhering to the code of dress ensures that pupils focus on their academic studies, and creates a unity amongst the school community where every pupil takes pride in presenting, and representing, the school by following the Code of Dress. It is felt that this not only supports pupils in their attainment, but also prepares pupils with valuable life-skills where pride, presentation and conformity are key skills searched for by employers. Parents should contact the school if they are unsure whether an item, style or garment is suitable prior to purchase.

Parents are advised to label all items of clothing and equipment that a student brings into school. Lost property can be viewed in the Reprographics area at the end of the school day. Should a student not have an item of uniform, parents are asked to notify the school either by providing their child with a note, or contacting the school office.

Students should wear their uniform smartly and with pride, including on their journey to and from school, where they continue to represent the school's values.

BLAZER

Plain black school blazer with badge. Sleeves are not to be rolled up.

OPTIONAL JUMPER

A school logo embellished long-sleeved V-necked jumper, or plain black jumper may be worn under the school blazer. From January 2022, pupils also have the option of wearing a black V-neck black sweatshirt with the school logo embellished on it. Jumpers/sweatshirts may not be worn without blazers. Hoodies are not allowed and should not be a substitute for a coat.



SHIRT

Plain white full length with no motifs and a firm collar to support a tie. Shirts must be tucked in at all times.

TIE

School tie.

SKIRTS

Castle Tartan GST available in 3 lengths but which must sit below the knee. Consideration is advised to allow room for growth to ensure that the skirt's length remains acceptable. Skirts worn above the knee are deemed too short.



Trousers

Girls: Tailored straight leg trousers. Skinny styles (those which are made of Lycra/stretchy material) are not acceptable, nor are jean-style or leggings.



Boys: Tailored straight leg trousers. Skinny styles are not acceptable, nor are jean-style (those with a stitched jean-type pocket).



SOCKS

Black socks only

TIGHTS

Natural or black

HEADWEAR

Only headwear accepted by the Governors as being necessary in observing a religious custom may be worn in school. Students must remove hats and hoods when they enter the school building.

FOOTWEAR

To ensure adequate foot protection during practical subjects such as (but not withstanding) Science, Art, Technology, Food Technology, plain, black, polishable leather formal (not trainer-style) shoes should be worn. For safety reasons, shoes should not have a heel higher than 3cm. Trainers, of any description, should not be worn.



JEWELLERY

For safety, security and uniformity reasons we limit the wearing of jewellery. Piercings are limited to one single stud in the ear. Rings on finger – one per hand maximum.

MAKE-UP

Students may wear a discrete amount and will be asked to remove any excess. For health and safety purposes false eyelashes are not allowed. Natural length nails and natural coloured nail polish is permitted.

HAIR

Extremes of colour and aggressively short hair cuts are not acceptable and shaved patterns or designs are not permitted for school.

BASIC EQUIPMENT

Parents are also reminded that their children need the following basic equipment and are responsible for bringing them to every lesson:

- school bag that can hold books and equipment;
- a pencil case;
- at least one pen;
- a green pen;
- pencils;
- eraser;
- ruler;
- pair of compasses;
- protractor;
- Casio Scientific Calculator (which can be purchased from school).
- *Highlighters and a purple pen would also be of benefit but not compulsory.*

OTHER EQUIPMENT

Mobile phones will only be allowed out in school at break and lunchtimes in the canteen or outside. The wearing of headphones is not permitted. Phones will not be allowed in lessons at any time. Any pupils found using a phone will have it confiscated until the end of the day. If a message is needed to be sent to a pupil, or received by a pupil, messages can be sent and received via the school telephone system. Electronic games, personal audio equipment and other devices should also not be brought in. However, portable IT storage media such as 'flash pens' or USB sticks may be brought into school to transfer files from home to school.

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