

# SCHOOL UNIFORM

We ask all parents/carers to support the school by encouraging your child (ren) to adhere to the agreed dress code and the wearing of our school uniform. The wearing of a school uniform helps promote the identity of the school in the local community and helps create an ethos of sharing and pride in the school.

In addition, the wearing of a uniform helps towards increasing the protection of all pupils in light of the need to be more security conscious in all of our schools. The wearing of a uniform helps staff and the pupils to distinguish between who belongs to the school and those who may be visitors. This enables staff to approach and identify visitors more readily and helps in trying to offer a safer environment for pupils and teachers alike.

Equality of opportunity is an important aspect of the life of the school. Any proposals on the dress code and on what constitutes the school uniform will be the subject of discussion with the Parent Council and where appropriate consultation with parents, pupils and staff.

## Shoes

Please keep shoes plain black and please do not allow pupils to come to school with black trainers with a white logo or white sole. They are against all the traditions of our uniform.

## Girls

Girls' Skirts should be of a modest and decent length. It has been suggested that we remind parents and carers that a skirt which may appear moderately short when standing may be very short and immodest when sitting. Trousers, if worn, should be dress trousers and not "drainpipe style". Girls should not wear fashion blouses but should wear school blouses which fasten to the neck. Ties should also be fastened to the neck.

## Boys

Boys' trousers must be black and should be formal trousers.

Thank you for your continued support in ensuring that your children wear the full school uniform. We are pleased to report that every pupil wears the uniform

We have a very large school in the town centre, it is important that all our young people help in our arrangements to ensure the safety of our pupils and staff at all times. The pupils look very smart and we expect every pupil to follow the school dress code.

The uniform consists of:

- School Blazer
- White school shirt (not a black or grey shirt)
- School tie
- Black school skirt or black school trousers – no shorts
- Black v neck jumper or cardigan – that allow school ties to be seen (no crewnecks)
- Black outdoor jacket

- Black school shoes – no black trainers with white soles or white logos

As education is a formal process we would like all pupils to dress in a suitable manner and therefore certain forms of dress are inappropriate e.g.

- Sports Trainers of any colour
- Polo shirts or black coloured shirts
- Coloured tops or tops related to any sports team
- Black Jeans, combat trousers, cargo pants, track suits, denim jackets, culottes, shorts, cropped trousers, “jeggings”
- Large black fashion belts, coloured belts, hooded tops, footless tights etc
- No white or coloured footwear other than black
- In terms of Health and Safety pupils should not wear large earrings, chains, bracelets or large rings

## **SUPPORT FOR PARENT/CARERS**

### **CLOTHING GRANT**

Support for parent/carers - In certain circumstances the Council provides support to parents/carers for the purchase of school wear. Application forms for clothing grant are available from the Council's website: [www.southlanarkshire.gov.uk](http://www.southlanarkshire.gov.uk) or from Q&A Offices, Audit and Development 01698 453504/453505/453213, the school or Education Resources, Almada Street, Hamilton, telephone 01698 454545.