



SCHOOL UNIFORM

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1. Context

At The Wallace High School we are proud of our uniform and believe that the correct wearing of uniform is a positive reflection of our school's identity and ethos. This document outlines the responsibilities of pupils, parents and staff as together we work to ensure that every member of the school community respects this aspect of our school ethos.

School Uniform is compulsory for all pupils during term time and at school functions outside normal school hours.

House colours are as follows:

Gracey	Green	Conway
Hanna	Red	Barbour
Seymour	Yellow	Hamilton

- All items should be marked with the pupil's name.
- If a head covering is worn for any reason it should be plain fabric – black, navy or maroon in colour.
- Suppliers are not authorised to make changes to the uniform regulations
- Please check before buying if you are not sure.
- A parent on behalf of their child, if under 18, may raise a particular individual request regarding uniform on the grounds of e.g. religion, identity or gender.

2. School Uniform Years 8-12

GIRLS

- School blazer
- Regulation kick pleat grey skirt (to be purchased at **BELOW knee**)
- White shirt (short sleeved white shirt may be worn at designated times)
- School tie with House colour stripe
- Regulation grey pullover with navy neckband stripes **or** school cardigan edged with navy.
- Regulation grey knee-length socks **or** opaque black tights.
- Plain black leather or leather substitute flat-heeled school shoes **only** (high-heeled fashion shoes, kitten heels and pumps are not permitted).
- School scarf (optional)

Notes:

- Socks and short sleeved shirts may be worn September – October half term and throughout the summer term.
- If a head covering (black, navy or maroon) is worn or trousers are worn, the items are available from the uniform suppliers, as agreed by the school.

BOYS

- School blazer
- White shirt
- School tie with House colour stripe
- Charcoal grey trousers – plain
- Grey V-neck pullover and dark grey socks
- Flat-heeled, plain black leather or leather substitute shoes **only**
- School scarf (optional)

SCHOOL HOODIE

In response to requests we have introduced an official School Hoodie. This is available from our usual school outfitters. During periods of cold weather, the Hoodie may be worn under the school blazer when travelling to and from school. It may **NOT** be worn in school. Pupils will also be permitted to wear their School Hoodie when spectating at sports events. This is the **ONLY** hoodie which a pupil will be permitted to wear with school uniform.

- ❖ During the Covid pandemic pupils are encouraged to bring a reusable face mask to school. The fabric should be plain – black, navy or maroon in colour.

Suppliers:

McCalls of Lisburn
15 Market Street
Lisburn

Warnocks
791 Lisburn Road
Belfast

3. School Uniform Sixth Form

GIRLS

Navy blazer with maroon trim and Sixth Form badge

Knee length regulation navy skirt (to be purchased **below** the knee)

White long-sleeved shirt with Sixth Form tie **or**

short-sleeved open-necked blouse with maroon stripes

Note: white shirt required for formal school events

Dark navy pullover with maroon neck band **or**

navy school cardigan edged with maroon

Opaque black tights or Sixth Form socks

School scarf [optional]

Black leather or leather substitute flat-heeled school shoes **only** (high heeled fashion shoes, kitten heels and pumps are not permitted).

Notes:

- Sixth Form socks may be worn September – October half term and throughout the summer term.
- If a head covering (black, navy or maroon) is worn or trousers are worn, the items are available from the uniform suppliers, as agreed by the school.

BOYS

Navy blazer - navy blue with maroon trim on cuff and Sixth Form badge

Plain white shirt with boys' Sixth Form tie

Charcoal grey trousers - plain

Grey V-neck pullover and dark grey socks

Flat-heeled plain black leather or leather substitute shoes **only**

Navy regulation rain jacket or plain dark navy or black coat

School scarf [optional]

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4. Compulsory P.E. Clothing and Equipment

All of the following items are available from McCalls of Lisburn and Warnocks or an appropriate retailer for general sportswear items.

GIRLS

Girls' Compulsory PE Kit (All Pupils – All Years)

- Navy polo shirt with red trim & School Crest
- Navy and red Wallace skort
- Navy sport leggings with School Crest OR navy Kukri stadium tracksuit bottoms
- Navy school hoodie [as detailed on Uniform List]
- Knee length white games socks (Year 8 only)
- Hockey stick
- Mouthguard and Shinguards
- White ankle socks
- Laced trainers

Girls' Extra-Curricular Team Wear Years 9-14

COMPULSORY

Years 9 &10

- Junior red/navy hockey shirt
- Navy kukri stadium tracksuit bottoms
- Knee length red games socks

OPTIONAL EXTRAS

All Years

- WHS long sleeve base layer
- WHS athletics vest

Years 11 and above

- Senior red/navy hockey shirt

All pupils playing extra-curricular sport for school teams are notified of the correct team list. Additional bespoke team wear items are available to purchase from the PE department following team selections. PE staff will issue the relevant information about these in due course. All items of clothing and sports equipment must be clearly named.

The Physical Education Department recommends that all pupils involved in contact sports should wear a mouth guard which has been correctly fitted. Mouth guards and other protective equipment (e.g. shin pads, shoulder pads, head guards etc) should conform to British and European Safety Standards.

BOYS

Boys' Compulsory PE Kit (All Pupils – All Years)

- Navy polo shirt with red trim & school crest (PE) (*New style introduced 2020-21 and old kit may be worn until June 2022.)
- Navy/Red athletics shorts (PE)
- White ankle socks (PE)
- Wallace High School tracksuit

Boys' Year 8 Compulsory Games Kit

- New style rugby/hockey kukri shirt (introduced 2021/22)
- WHS Kukri navy rugby shorts (Games)
- Knee length red games socks (Games)
- Rugby/Soccer Boots
- Mouthguard

Optional Extras

- WHS long sleeve base layer
- WHS athletics vest

Boys' Years 9, 10 and 11 Rugby Kit

- Reversible navy/grey rugby shirt
- Navy Kukri rugby shorts
- Years 9 & 10 red Kukri knee length socks
- Year 11 (Medallion) navy/white Kukri socks
- Mouthguard

Boys' Years 9 and 10 Hockey Kit

- Navy kukri top
- Navy kukri shorts
- Navy & white Kukri knee length socks
- Mouthguard and shinguards

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5. Additional Notes

In order that we can maintain our standards of uniform and appearance we would appreciate your co-operation regarding the following:

1. Jumpers should be of regulation-type and not extend beyond blazer length.
2. Alternative garments **must NOT** be worn under blazers apart from the official school hoodie which may only be worn travelling to and from school.
3. Under-garments worn below the shirt should be white, nude or discreet.
4. Unobtrusive make up and nail varnish are permitted. Please note that gel salon style nails are **not** appropriate.
5. Hair must be tidy and conventional in colour and style.
6. All pupils must be tidy in appearance and wear school uniform in the proper way. In particular shirts must be tucked in, top buttons fastened and the tie worn correctly. Blazers must be worn when not in class.

GIRLS

- Formal long sleeved white school shirts and ties must be worn by all girls from Halloween until Easter.
- Short sleeved white shirts with school tie may be worn from Easter until Halloween.
- Tights must be worn by all girls from Halloween until Easter AND on formal occasions. Tights or socks may be worn from Easter until Halloween.
- Jewellery must be confined to a watch, a signet ring and a pair of small, plain sleeper or stud earrings worn in the lobe. Multiple piercings are **not** acceptable and will be regarded as a breach of school rules.

BOYS

- Boys are expected to be clean-shaven and tidy in appearance.
- Jewellery must be confined to a watch and a signet ring only.

NB: For formal school occasions long sleeved white shirts must be worn (Prize Day, Concerts, etc). This applies to both boys and girls. All school skirts must comply with the stated regulation of “below the knee” at the time of purchase.

6. The responsibilities of pupils

It is the responsibility of our pupils to make themselves aware of the Uniform Regulations. These are available on the school website. Pupils should understand from these regulations

- the correct uniform to be worn, and,
- the correct way in which the uniform should be worn.

Pupils should also be aware that failure to follow these Regulations may lead to disciplinary sanctions, which are outlined at the end of this Policy.

The position of School Prefect is one of responsibility and as a role model the way in which they wear their uniform must be exemplary. Consequently, a student who fails to follow the Regulations will not be able to hold the position of School Prefect.

7. The responsibility of parents

Parents/guardians should be familiar with the uniform regulations provided annually by the school and should facilitate their child/children in obtaining the correct uniform items.

Parents are expected to support the school in its insistence that their son/daughter follow the Regulations. If disciplinary action proves necessary, then parents will be expected to support the school in the enforcement of whatever action is deemed necessary.

A parent may wish to raise a specific request for a uniform amendment in respect of their child on the grounds of religion, identity or gender. Each case will be considered individually and should be initially discussed with the child's Head of Year.

8. The responsibility of staff

The Form Staff will ensure that the pupils in their form are made aware of the contents of this Policy.

It is the responsibility of all staff to familiarise themselves with the Uniform Regulations as issued annually to parents.

It is expected that all staff will help to ensure that the Uniform Regulations are followed. Consequently, the class tutor and the classroom teacher will both play a role in this regard. The procedures to be followed are as follows:

9. Procedures to be followed when a pupil fails to wear the uniform correctly

- 1 Any member of staff should address a pupil regarding their failure to wear the uniform properly. If, in the opinion of the member of staff, the failure to follow the rules is deliberate, the member of staff will log this on the Behaviour Management record as a UNIFORM infringement. No additional sanction is necessary. However, the member of staff should insist that the pupil rectifies the problem immediately and inform the pupil that they have logged the matter.
- 2 The Head/Assistant Head of Year will monitor the Behaviour Management Record. Three occurrences of a UNIFORM infringement will lead to an

appropriate sanction. Pupils will be aware that the rule of 3 is applicable to all disciplinary matters, including uniform.

10. The House System

Each of the school Houses is identified by the colour of stripe on the school tie; this reflects our efforts to build a sense of pride in House membership. The House Captains and House prefects act as positive role models for younger pupils.