



School Uniform Policy

DAWN HOUSE SCHOOL	
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Introduction:

It is our school policy that all children wear school uniform when attending school, or when participating in a school-organised event outside normal school hours. This policy has been agreed by our Education Committee and School Advisory Board in accordance with the Department for Education guidelines, so that costs to families are kept to a minimum.

Aims and Objectives:

We believe a uniform is a way of promoting good behaviour and supports school values:

- Aspiration - promotes a sense of pride in the school.
- Inspiration - engenders a sense of community and belonging towards the school.
- Respect - identifies the children with the school.
- Integrity - is practical and smart and prevents fashion clothes that could be distracting.
- Inclusion - makes children feel equal to their peers in terms of appearance.
- Resilience - is regarded as suitable wear for school and good.

Shops such as Asda, Tesco and Marks and Spencer stock school uniform clothing

Jewellery:

On health and safety grounds, we do not feel it is appropriate for children to wear jewellery to school, and any parents who allow their child to do so must accept responsibility for any injuries that may occur as a result of their child wearing it. A child who wears jewellery to school may be required to remove it themselves before participating in PE lessons.



Make-Up and nails:

Years 10, 11 & sixth form Students may apply 'light touch' make-up if they wish to do so. This means Years 10 and 11 students can wear make-up that is not noticeable to the observer e.g. light moisturising foundation, light mascara, clear lip balm. This concession is to recognise them as senior students in the main school and to support the transition to post 16 education or work.

However, where a student abuses this privilege and wears too much make-up, then sanctions may follow. False eyelashes are not acceptable for school.

We are aware that nail varnish or extensions can pose risks for students undertaking practical work in certain subjects.

Students wearing nail varnish/extensions involved in food preparation and cooking in technology lessons can (especially when inexperienced and learning "how to"), contaminate food with chippings of nail varnish or parts of nail extensions. Long false nails or extensions can be trapped or ripped moving round the school through doors and corridors, causing considerable pain and upset. They can cause harm to others in eg PE games or drama practical work. These are situations which are easily avoided.

If students arrive to school with nail varnish/ extensions, they may be asked to wear gloves during certain subjects such as food technology. Nail extensions must be kept short and must not be pointed.

KS1,2 & 3 students must not wear make-up to school, fingernails must be kept short and clean, nail extensions are not allowed.

Key stage 1-4:

- Black or grey knee-length, or longer skirt, pinafore dress, school trousers or joggers with no brand/logo (no jeans or leggings)
- Plain blue or white blouse or shirt (long or short sleeves) or school polo shirt
- Navy blue tie (optional)
- School sweatshirt with Dawn House School logo or plain navy sweatshirt, navy blue jumper or cardigan
- Navy, black or white socks and tights.
- Plain black school shoes with no logos (not trainers).
- Pupils may wear grey school uniform type shorts in the summer term [not cargo/sports/beach shorts]
- Outdoor waterproof coat/mac for breaks and offsite work

At other times depending on the course a particular pupil is following additional clothing will be necessary e.g. Steel toe cap boots/overalls for motor vehicle maintenance.



Sport/PE:

- Plain sports shorts – navy or black
- Plain T shirt – white
- Clean plimsolls or trainers for indoors
- Trainers for outdoor wear
- None branded jogging bottoms or suitable PE wear for outdoor sports.
- Swimming costume or swimming trunks/shorts [no bikinis]

Students are allowed to wear a t-shirt as well if they do not feel comfortable.

Students can arrive at school wearing their PE kit on the day they have PE to help reduce the time it takes for them to get changed. They can bring a change of top for after PE, to change back into school uniform.

6th Form:

Pupils in 6th form may wear smart/ casual clothing but the expectation, as role models for younger pupils means that clothing such as tracksuits, revealing, tight or ripped clothing, tops with inappropriate logos/pictures etc are not acceptable. Football shirts are not allowed. Pupils should seek guidance from staff in unsure.

Work experience/ college interviews smart formal clothing.

Role of Parents:

Our Home School Agreement informs parents that we expect their support in providing the correct school uniform for their child each day, that is clean and in good repair. The school welcomes children from all backgrounds and faith communities. If there are significant reasons, for example: religious grounds, sensory needs etc why parents want their child to wear clothes that differ from the school uniform, then the school will look considerately at such requests.

Non-Compliance

In the event of a child/parent being unable to comply, or refusing to comply, with this policy the school will, in the first instance, seek to understand the reasons for non-compliance and work with the family to put a plan in place, and set a deadline for ensuring uniform meets school expectations.

We may do this by:

- Contacting parents/carers to discuss uniform expectations.
- Discussing uniform expectations with children.
- Providing alternative items of clothing or footwear, such as plimsolls.
- Implementing sanctions in line with the school's behaviour policy.
- Using Pupil Premium funding to support the purchasing of uniform.



- Making agreements between school and home about any modifications needed to school uniform for grounds such as Religion, special educational needs or medical conditions.

School uniform and PE Kits, complete with the school logo, can be purchased directly online by following the link below to Price and Buckland Schoolwear.

<https://www.pbuniform-online.co.uk/dawnhouse>

However, most large supermarkets also stock uniform without the school logo and this is also acceptable for use in school. Good quality second hand uniform can be obtained from the school office.