

School Uniform Policy

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Introduction

Our uniform policy reflects our values and reinforces our school's culture of high expectations and academic achievement. It also reflects our willingness to support families who may have a low household income. School uniform should not be another burden to our families.

Longhill High School recognises the value of having a school uniform for the following reasons:

- Uniforms unite the school. Pupils make a commitment when they put on their Longhill High School uniform that they will abide by the rules of the community.
- Uniforms reduce distractions, and so are focused on achieving success.
- Uniforms make us all equal. Whether families have high or low incomes, all pupils come to school dressed the same way.
- There is a safety side to the uniforms because if all students are clearly recognisable it is easy to identify strangers. Also, on the way to and from school, uniforms afford a degree of safety as the students are part of a large body of young people who will look out for each other.
- Uniforms look professional, and so pupils look neat and ready to learn. It prepares students for future employment.

Non-compliance with uniform policy

There may be good reason why a child is not wearing school uniform. In this case, parents and carers should share the reason with the Headteacher either in person or in writing. The school will always be considerate and discreet in trying to establish why a pupil is not wearing the correct uniform.

We also recognise that some pupils whose SEN mean that they cannot wear a full school uniform. These students will need to have this noted in their EHCP, and we will make adjustments for them accordingly.

We have a good supply of brand new and previously loved (freshly laundered) uniform that students can borrow. We also offer brand new items of uniform free of charge for any family who are struggling to afford purchases.

If we offer a student full uniform and they refuse to wear it, then that student will not be able to access mainstream lessons. In this instance, a call home will be made to explain the situation, and to let parents/carers know where the student will be learning for the day.

Uniform Details

Main school uniform - It is compulsory for students to wear a white shirt, charcoal grey trousers or skirt, a school tie, blazer and black footwear without logos. For PE, it is compulsory to wear a PE top and shorts with school logo and plain navy blue socks.

Boys	Girls	Compulsory	Optional	Supplier only	Any Supplier	Supplier to provide option to purchase
Blazer with school badge/logo navy blue	Blazer with school badge/logo navy blue	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes
Tie with colour indication for year group identification	Tie with colour indication for year group identification	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes
Jumper navy blue with school badge/logo	Jumper navy blue with school badge/logo	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes
Skirt dark grey	Skirt dark grey	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes
Trousers dark grey	Trousers dark grey	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes
White shirt	White shirt	Yes	No	No	Yes	No
Tailored shorts dark grey	Tailored shorts dark grey	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes
Longhill PE male sports top – navy blue with gold trim and school logo	Longhill PE female sports top – navy blue with gold trim and school logo	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes
Longhill PE shorts with school logo navy blue	Longhill PE shorts with school logo navy blue	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes
PE plain navy blue socks	PE plain navy blue socks	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes
Longhill PE navy blue rain jacket	Longhill PE navy blue rain jacket	No	Yes	Yes	n/a	Yes
Longhill PE male track suit bottoms with school logo	Longhill PE female track suit bottoms with school logo	No	Yes	Yes	n/a	Yes
n/a	Longhill PE female leggings black with school logo	No	Yes	Yes	n/a	Yes
n/a	Longhill PE female skort with school logo	No	Yes	Yes	No	yes
Black Footwear	Black Footwear	Yes	No	No	Yes	No

Outdoor clothing

Pupils should bring a coat to school each day apart from during the hotter weather. All outdoor clothing must be removed inside the school building including hoodies and sweatshirts.

Bags and belongings

Students will need a bag to carry books and equipment to and from the school, this needs to be large enough to hold a few books.

Tights /Socks

Tights should be black or neutral and can be purchased from any supplier. Socks can only be worn over tights if they are black socks.

Footwear

Formal footwear should include leather or leather—like material that can be polished. Trainers and boots are not acceptable. Please see examples below:



Hats, Headscarves or Headwear

Pupils are not allowed to wear hats, headscarves, or any other covering inside the school building unless it is for religious and/or cultural reasons. Hijabs must be black, navy blue or grey.

Make-up

The school will challenge excessive make up. Artificial nails are not permitted.

Jewellery/Accessories

The only permitted items of jewellery are:

- A pair of single, small studs in pierced ears
- A single small nose stud may be worn, it must be plain silver or gold in colour and must be no bigger than 1mm.
- A wristwatch

All jewellery must be removed for Physical Education, and Longhill High School will not accept responsibility for the loss of jewellery or watches. No other forms of body piercing will be allowed for any pupil, and pupils are not allowed to have tattoos of any kind on their bodies.

Naming Clothing and Property

Please ensure all clothing and property is clearly marked so that lost property may be easily traced and returned. The school cannot accept responsibility for loss or damage of pupils' property and valuables.

For more information on the school uniform policy, please visit our website. Thank you.