



Dress & Appearance

Uniform is one of the obvious links with Harrow School in the UK. Pupils are reminded of the history and tradition that comes with wearing the Bluer and Hat: they are expected to wear the uniform with pride and respect for what it represents.

1. Timings

- 1.1. School uniform should be worn to all periods during the school day, apart from PE and Games periods.
- 1.2. Pupils should change into or out of sports kit at the next possible break in the school day.
- 1.3. For boarders, “home clothes” may be worn after the end of the formal school day.
- 1.4. It is expected that when pupils are in uniform, they wear it correctly. This extends from the moment pupils arrive at school to the moment they leave at the end of the formal school day, including on school buses.
- 1.5. Uniform should also be worn for after-school CCAs and for formal school events which fall outside of school time.

2. School Uniform

2.1 Shirts and Ties

Top buttons and ties must always be done up and shirts tucked in.

2.2 Belts

If belts are worn they must be plain black with a simple buckle.

2.3 Shoes and socks

Only black leather shoes capable of being polished are to be worn as part of School uniform, and these should be accompanied by navy blue ankle socks. In the sixth form, girls may either wear no, or ‘anklet’, socks should they wish. Tights should be navy blue or black.

2.4 Coats

Coats should be smart and plain without logos, navy, black or grey in colour and long enough to cover the Bluer.

2.5 Cardigans and pullovers

When appropriate, cardigans and pullovers may be worn underneath the Bluer to keep pupils warm. However, cardigans or jumpers should not be worn instead of a Bluer.

2.6 Jewellery

No visible jewellery (including charity bracelets) is to be worn other than one pair of earrings (plain studs only) for girls. Body piercing of any kind is strictly forbidden.

2.7 Hair

Hair should always be neat and tidy in appearance and pupils are not allowed any form of haircut, length or style that makes them stand out and may attract unnecessary attention. This means:

2.7.1 No dyed hair.

2.7.2 While length is a matter of perception, hair for boys should always be off the collar.

Pupils in Y11 and below should tie their hair back if it is longer than shoulder length.

2.7.3 No extreme styles such as gelled spikes or shaved heads.

2.7.4 No hair extensions.

2.7.5 Pupils should be clean-shaven when in uniform

2.8 Labelling

All items of School uniform must be labelled with the pupil's name and House.

2.9 Make-Up and Tanning

Pupils below the Sixth Form are not allowed to wear make-up during the School day. Pupils in the Sixth Form may wear make-up that is discreet and appropriate to the School environment. Coloured nail polish and fake tan are not allowed.

2.10 Tattoos

Visible tattoos, including when a pupil is wearing a swimsuit, are not permitted.

2.11 Sports Wear (PE Kit and Team Kit)

Only official School sports kit may be worn to PE or Games periods. There are team strips for pupils to wear when representing the School in sports matches. Pupils should wear either their white ankle socks or longer sports socks for PE or Games.

2.12 Earphones

Earphones should not be worn with uniform unless permission has been given by a member of staff supervising a lesson or activity. Once a pupil has left the school site, earphones can be worn (for example on the bus, walking home. For boarders, they can be worn after the school day)

3. Sanctions

- 3.1.** Pupils failing to wear uniform correctly should be dealt with in line with the School's Behaviour Policy, in the first instance with a verbal warning, followed by a Spot logged on the MiS. Persistent failure to wear correct uniform may lead to more serious action, such as Designated Reflection Time.

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