



# 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 at all times, other than when Sports, or GCSE/A-level Drama kit is permitted.
- 1.2. Pupils should change into, or out of, Sports/Drama kit at the nearest possible break time.
- 1.3. For boarders, non-uniform may be worn after the end of the formal school day. Non-uniform must be respectful, respectable and appropriate for a school context. Pupils should not wear revealing clothes e.g. vest tops, singlets, bare midriffs, visible undergarments or mini-skirts/shorts. There should be no excessive make up, jewellery or hair styles. Clothing should not contain any offensive logos, slogans or imagery
- 1.4. It is expected that when pupils are in uniform, they wear it correctly. This extends from the moment Day pupils arrive at school to the moment they leave at the end of the formal school day. Pupils should either wear full uniform, or full non-uniform.
- 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

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

### 2.1 Shirts and Ties

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

### 2.2 Skirts and Trousers

All skirt lengths should be at the knee when standing. Trousers should be below the ankle.

### 2.3 Belts

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

### 2.4 Shoes and socks

Only formal black leather shoes, capable of being polished, are to be worn as part of School uniform. These should be accompanied by navy blue ankle socks. Heels should not be more than two centimetres. In the Sixth Form, girls may either wear no, or navy blue 'anklet', socks should they wish. Tights should be navy blue.

### 2.5 Coats

Coats should be smart and plain (without logos), navy, black or grey in colour and long enough to cover the Bluer. Harrow fleeces may be worn over the Bluer. All coats must be removed when indoors.

## **2.6 Cardigans and pullovers**

When appropriate, plain navy blue, or Harrow branded cardigans and pullovers (not fleeces) may be worn underneath the Bluer to keep pupils warm. However, cardigans or jumpers should not be worn instead of a Bluer.

## **2.7 Jewellery**

No visible jewellery (including charity bracelets) is to be worn other than one pair of earrings (plain studs only). Body piercing of any kind is strictly forbidden. Written permission to wear jewellery for religious purposes must be obtained from the Head.

## **2.8 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:

**2.8.1** No dyed hair.

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

**2.8.3** No extreme styles such as gelled spikes or shaved heads.

**2.8.4** No eyelash or hair extensions.

**2.8.5** Pupils should be clean-shaven, unless with written permission from the Head.

## **2.9 Make-Up and Tanning**

Pupils below the Sixth Form are not allowed to wear make-up. Pupils in the Sixth Form may wear make-up that is discreet and appropriate to the School environment. Nail polish, nail extension, fake nails 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 4.45pm).

## **2.13 Smartware (e.g. Smartwatches)**

Smartwatches may not be worn during 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.

**Owner: Assistant Heads (Senior and Prep, Pastoral and Wellbeing)**

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