

School Uniform 2023/2024

Parental support is required to ensure that all students are well presented. It is expected that all students will take responsibility for their personal hygiene and arrive dressed in a clean, tidy and respectable manner. We ask parents to support the school in its desire for consistency with regard to uniform as it serves a vital role in creating a sense of belonging to the school. Parents are asked not to purchase items of clothing for school which do not appear in the list below. If you are in any doubt or difficulty, please contact the school and discuss the problem with your son's/daughter's Head of Year. **Examples of the acceptable uniform styles can be found on our website or from the Guidance and Welfare office.** We reserve the right to sanction or send a student home who does not comply, or to confiscate fashion articles not deemed part of our school uniform.

Students are required to wear a Blandford School shirt and tie or a Blandford School blouse, with a Blandford School jumper or cardigan. The reason for supplying these is so that parents can purchase quality items that wash well at a reasonable cost. A very small contribution goes into school funds to provide students with extras in school which we would otherwise be unable to afford. Some uniform items are available from 'Ragtags' in Blandford, others are available from a variety of retailers.

Students must wear the following:

Skirt	Plain black skirt with no slit. Lycra or stretchy skirts are not acceptable as skirts must be of a uniform fit and length, the hem finishing no more than 10cm above the middle of the knee. Examples of preferred skirt styles and lengths are available on our website.
Trousers	Plain, un-patterned black school trousers, of full ankle length and with zip fastener. Denim/cotton jeans-style, corduroy, leggings or stretch fabric, tight-fitting cuts and logos are unacceptable. Examples of preferred trousers styles are on our website.
Shorts	Plain black tailored school uniform shorts with zip fastener. Uniform trouser material only, No 'chino' or sports shorts are allowed.
Blouse	A maroon/white striped Blandford School blouse with revere collar worn neatly tucked in and fully buttoned. Underwear should be natural coloured and discreet. No coloured or visible tops must be worn under blouses.
Shirt	A maroon/white striped Blandford School shirt worn neatly tucked into trousers and fully buttoned at the collar. A Blandford School tie worn covering the collar button. (Ties are not obligatory after the May half term break.) Underwear should be natural coloured and discreet. No coloured or visible tops must be worn under shirts.
Jumper	A plain black jumper or cardigan with 'The Blandford School' logo. Should any additional outdoor clothing be required, this must be in the form of a coat or jacket as non-uniform jumpers, hoodies and sportswear are not allowed. Uniform must always be clearly visible.
Footwear	Plain, black, low-heeled footwear. Boots are only acceptable if worn discreetly and under trousers. Combat boots and steel toe-caps are not accepted. Sandals, soft/canvas shoes, open-backed/toed shoes and shoes with coloured logos or accessories are also unacceptable. Daps will be issued to students who infringe this rule. Plain white, grey or black socks or plain, un-patterned, black or natural colour tights. Tights <i>or</i> socks, not both,
Name Tags	It is very important that the above items of clothing and the sports kit are labelled.
Hair	Should be clean and tidy and of natural colour. There should be no streaks or extremes of fashion or hair accessories. Facial hair is not permitted,
Belts	Must be plain, black and unobtrusive.
Scarves	May not be worn as an accessory without outdoor wear.
Headgear	No hats or caps may be worn in the school building.
Nails	Nails should be kept short for safety reasons. False nails are not acceptable. Nail varnish must be nude/clear in colour and removed if requested by a member of staff.
Jewellery	This must be discreet, and only one pair of small, plain studs should be worn with a maximum of one earring in the lobe of each ear (no cartilage piercings). For health

and safety reasons, any form of bracelet/charity band, stretcher, nose, facial or body piercing is unacceptable. Retainers are also unacceptable and will not be allowed. Students who do not comply will be isolated. One discreet ring and one discreet chain necklace may be worn in addition to a suitable watch. Jewellery must be removed if requested for safety purposes, and always removed for PE. Any jewellery worn in addition to the above will have to be removed and confiscated.

Make-Up Make-up must be subtle and must be removed if requested by a member of staff. No false eyelashes are permitted.

SPORTS KIT

Students and parents are reminded that the PE Faculty runs an 'Always Kit' policy, whereby students must always bring their kit to lessons **even if they are injured and have an accompanying note**. This is part of the Faculty's Effective Participant Development Plan and any student who does not bring their kit to lessons will receive a concern about organisation in their diary.

Compulsory

Maroon TBS rugby shirt or Maroon polo shirt with TBS logo
Black shorts or black netball skort (tight-fitting lycra shorts are not acceptable)
Black football socks
Trainers with non-marking soles
Football boots (plastic/nylon or moulded studs are the only acceptable type for the synthetic turf pitch (STP). Please note that 'astro-trainers' are not suitable for use on the STP)

Optional

Black TBS PE Hoody or plain black hoody (no logos permitted)
Plain Black tracksuit bottoms/Plain Black Leggings
Black TBS outdoor Sports Jacket
Maroon TBS Sports Hoody.
Maroon TBS Sports Fleece
Black or Maroon underlayer.

We must also recommend that students wear shin-pads for football and hockey, and gum shields for rugby and hockey.

*There may occasionally be opportunities for students to purchase additional (optional) TBS sportswear for extra-curricular clubs, fixtures or tours. These will be for extra-curricular use only and will not be permitted for use in lessons unless they comply with the PE kit policy outlined above.

Mobile phones must be switched off and in bags at all times. Mobile phones are not allowed to be used or visible anywhere on site (i.e. within the gates opposite the hospital and those to the Milldown) as per our mobile telephone policy.

Bicycle Helmets - These should be worn by students who travel to school by bicycle or scooter for their personal safety.