Ysgol Greenhill School

School Uniform
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SCHOOL UNIFORM

There are a number of important reasons that we have a school uniform at Greenhill. The most important amongst these is to promote a sense of community to which we belong, are proud to be a part of and to which we share a responsibility.

Belonging and being part of are important aspects of knowing who we are, having a sense of place in the world and making us feel more secure and confident.

School uniform also supports pupils and families in the following ways:

- Safeguarding pupils by ensuring that we can easily identify those who should be in school and anyone who does not ‘belong’.
- Reduces pressure on pupils and their parents to have the latest fashion item of clothing.
- Reduces disputes between parents and their child (at least during the school day) about what is and is not appropriate to wear in school.
- Promotes positive behaviour to and from school and in school trips, enabling members of the public to identify a pupil and contact us to inform of a ‘good deed’ or transgression.

For staff at school, uniform removes the need for any personal interpretation about what is or is not acceptable in terms of dress, enabling staff and pupils to focus first on teaching and learning.

Every pupil in Year 7-11 is required to wear the uniform set out below and observe the standards regarding other aspects of the appearance during the school day; whilst travelling to and from school, on all educational visits and all activities organised by the school, unless explicitly told otherwise.

Pupils who arrive at school not dressed in correct school uniform will be addressed by their form tutor or ‘Head of House’ and will be expected to amend or correct the uniform discrepancy within a reasonable time frame. In exceptional circumstances a Head of House or Senior Member of Leadership may authorise a short term variation and dispensation to uniform.

Failure to modify and amend any uniform discrepancy within the time frame issued will result in a sanction being issued.

Any pupil arriving not dressed in correct school uniform must be carrying a note signed and dated by their parent. This note must be presented to the form tutor upon entry to registration. The parental note does not excuse the uniform discrepancy and any sanction that will follow should the uniform issue not be corrected within the given time frame. Pupils will be provided with ‘school issue’ uniform where appropriate to rectify any uniform discrepancy.

Pupils who fail to comply with the reasonable requests of any staff to remove non-uniform items, to wear ‘school issue’ items to ensure that uniform is appropriate for a school day or to correct a discrepancy within a reasonable time frame will be issued with a school sanction in line with the ‘Behaviour for Learning’ policy, as a result of their failure to comply with staff direction.
Sixth form pupils have a separate Dress Code Policy, which recognises their maturity, independence and supports them in preparing for the world of work. The Sixth form Dress Code has been developed in collaboration with school leaders.

Staff dress code is not covered under this policy. However; school staff, as adults are expected to exercise their professional judgement about appropriate dress. All staff are required, in their behaviour and dress, to be good ‘role models’ leading by example and presenting themselves to a high standard. Matters relating to the standard of staff dress are decided by the Head and Governors.

Our uniform is designed to be smart, practical and reasonably priced. The list below is as comprehensive as possible, but we reserve the right to prohibit items of clothing or hairstyles at any time which we believe are unsafe or inconsistent with our approach to uniform and appearance.

The Greenhill school uniform is supplied only by two authorised retailers, **Tees R Us** and **Uniforms 4 School**. Contact details are given at the end of this document.

**Uniform from September 2018 (‘New’)**

Following a stakeholder consultation a change to the school’s uniform was made in 2018. During the academic year 2018-19 transitional arrangements are in place. These arrangement are detailed below.

**Transition arrangements:**

- All Year 7 Pupils from 1st September 2018 must wear the ‘new’ uniform.
- Years 8-10 may adopt the new uniform from 1st September 2018 but have dispensation to continue to wear the ‘old’ uniform until the last day of the Spring Term 2019. Pupils cannot wear a mixture of ‘old’ and ‘new’.
- Year 11 may adopt the new uniform from 1st September 2018 but have dispensation to continue to wear the ‘old’ uniform until the last day of the Summer Term 2019. Pupils cannot wear a mixture of ‘old’ and ‘new’.

The ‘old’ uniform is listed in appendix 1 of this document.

**Year 7 - 11 from 1st September 2018.**

**Compulsory**

- Blazer – Banner ‘Signature’ range, steel grey blazer with school badge. (male/female cuts available)
- Trousers or skirt - Banner ‘Signature’ range, steel grey Trousers or skirt. (There are two options of boys’ and girls’ cut of trouser and two styles of skirt from which to choose)
- Shirt/blouse – white, dress (stiff collar) long or short sleeved.
- Tie – School pattern (to be worn as described in appendix 2).
- Shoes – plain black formal dress shoes. (blucher, court, brogue, oxford, derby or similar)
- Tights – plain black. In the summer term White ankle socks may be worn with
either skirt.

- Socks – plain black or grey.

**Optional**

- Jumper - grey with school badge (to be worn under and in addition to the blazer, not instead of)
- Summer Term Only – Steel grey short trousers (same material as long version).

**Other items**

**Optional (Years 7-11)**

a) Plain blue and/or black outdoor coat or raincoat. Coloured parts, patterns, logos and patches should be discreet and kept to minimum.

b) Royal blue or black hat and/or scarf. Coloured parts, patterns, logos and patches should be discreet and kept to minimum.

Outdoor items such as coats, hat and scarves should be removed inside the school building.

**General Appearance**

**At all times pupils should be clean, smart and presentable.**

- **Jewellery**, other than a wrist watch, one ring and one small bracelet should not be worn. This should be removed on the instruction of a teacher if they are judged to be a safety hazard during any school activity.

- **Piercings.** Piercings other than one small earring worn in the earlobe are not permitted. Facial and body piercings are not permitted under any circumstances. Pupils will be asked to remove such items immediately.

- **Cosmetics and make-up** should not be worn, unless for a medical reason which has been confirmed in writing by a doctor. Where a parent or a child is concerned as a result of adolescent skin conditions they should discuss this with their child’s Head of House. Such conditions are not uncommon and no one should be made to feel embarrassed to discuss managing this phase of adolescence.

- **Hair** must be clean and managed. Hair may be of a natural colour or tint and must be uniformly the same colour. Hair bands when worn must be black or royal blue.

- **Reflective/Hi-vis strips** may be sewn on outdoor coats and school bags for safety reasons.

- **Badges** Each student will be issued with a small badge in their house colour. This badge should be worn so that it is visible at all times. As part of the new uniform this must be worn upon the blazer lapel or upon the school tie. On the old uniform this must be worn upon the fleece, jumper or polo shirt. Only school issue badges must be worn upon the school uniform.

**Sixth Form Uniform**

Sixth Form uniform is defined in a separate ‘Sixth Form Dress Code’ document. For reference the ‘old’ uniform prescribed for Sixth Form was:

- white polo shirt with gold embroidered logo;
- navy blue pullover with v-neck and gold embroidered logo;
- navy blue hoodie with gold embroidered logo;
- navy blue or black trousers (or skirt for girls);
- plain black or brown shoes or trainers;
- suitable discreet outdoor coats (not to be worn indoors).

**Relaxation of uniform rules (including hot weather).**

Ties and blazers must remain on whilst in school uniform, including whilst travelling to and from school, unless permission is given to remove ties. Permission to remove ties may be given either:

- By a class teacher to enable an activity to be undertaken comfortably and safely such as in a DT, Science or PE lesson. The tie must be put back on at the end of the activity or lessons, it should not require an instruction to do so.

- During hot weather, when the Head Teacher (or Deputy in their absence) will make an announcement via Tannoy or Tutors that ties (and or blazers) are excused. This exemption will only apply to the day of the announcement. This exemption does not apply to pupils on trips or visits off the school site, when ties should be worn as a means of easy recognition, particularly where other school groups may be present.

**Kit for Physical Education**

**Girls’ PE Kit (years 7-11 and Sixth Form)**

PE kit must be brought to every PE lesson, even if excused from active participation because of ill health:

- Greenhill School PE Polo Shirt.
- Greenhill School Hockey socks.
- Option of Greenhill School Skort, Greenhill School Shorts, Greenhill School Tracksuit Bottoms or plain black leggings.
- Greenhill School ¼ Zip Tracksuit Top.
- Training shoes.
- Gum shield and shin pads.
- Swimming costume and towel.

**Boys’ PE Kit (years 7-11 and Sixth Form)**

PE kit must be brought to every PE lesson, even if excused from active participation because of ill health:
• Greenhill School Reversible Rugby Shirt.
• Greenhill School T-Shirt.
• Greenhill School Shorts. (In poor weather conditions Greenhill School Tracksuit bottoms may be worn).
• Training shoes.
• Rugby/Football boots.
• Gum shield and shin pads.
• Swimming costume and towel.

Other Information

a) Items in this uniform list must be purchased from our approved school stockists outlined below:

**TEEs R Us**
(https://www.teesrus.co.uk/)
Rumbleway Service Station,
New Hedges,
Tenby
SA70 8TR

Tel. 01834 845 216
teesrus@btconnect.com

**Uniforms 4 schools**
(http://uniforms4school.co.uk/)
Unit 2 Rushacre Enterprise Park
Narberth
SA67 7ET GB

01834 869 277
sales@revclothing.co.uk

b) All items of clothing must be clearly labelled with the owner's name. This cannot be stressed strongly enough because it is very difficult to trace items without.

c) Clothing grant forms are available from the School Reception or from:

*Education Department*
*Pembrokeshire County Council*
*County Hall*
*Haverfordwest*
*SA61 1TP*

Tel: 01437 764551
Appendix 1

‘Old’ Uniform

Dispensation is allowed for Years 8-10 pupils to continue to wear the ‘old’ uniform until the last day of the Spring Term 2019 and Year 11 until the last day of the Summer Term 2019

Compulsory

d) Royal blue polo shirt with white school logo. Any garment worn under the polo shirt must be royal blue to match the polo shirt, or entirely black, or white and be visible only at the neck.

e) Plain black trousers or skirt of material suitable for school and with a waist band, skirts to a suitable length. Hipster styles, denim or chino material, patch pockets, ‘skinny’, leggings or decoration are not allowed. Bootleg or sensibly flared trousers may be worn, but for safety reasons the bottom hem must not exceed the length of shoe worn. Zen style trousers are usually acceptable, but please check first with the school. Belts must be black. From May to September, black knee-length shorts to an approved style may be worn. Again, please check with the school.

f) Plain black shoes or trainers. No coloured parts, laces or logos are allowed. For safety reasons, heels must not be higher than 1 inch (25 mm) and shoes or trainers must be securely laced, buckled or fastened. Boots are not allowed, nor are backless shoes or entirely flat shoes, also for safety reasons.

g) Plain black, navy blue, grey or white socks (or tights for girls).

h) Royal blue round-neck sweatshirt with white school logo.

i) Royal blue fleece jacket with white school logo.

j) Students may wear either the school sweatshirt or the school fleece, or both of these items, inside the school building at any time of the school year. No other jumpers, jackets, hoodies or sweatshirts are allowed in school, with the exception of the authorised PE grey hooded sweatshirt which may be worn during sports lessons or school team events only. Waterproof school bag or rucksack suitable for carrying books without damage. Handbags and make-up bags are not allowed.
Correct wearing of a school uniform neck tie

Tie Knots

There are several knots which may be used to tie a school neck tie. The most common are: ‘The Four in Hand Knot’; Half Windsor, Full Windsor, Kent Knot and Prince Albert Knot. Videos showing how to tie these knots can easily be found online.

- When worn in school the following standard will be required.

- The top button on the shirt will be fastened and the tie knot will cover the top button.

- The broad end of the tie will face out, with the seam facing inwards.

- Once properly ‘done up’ the broad length of the tie should cover all the button/button holes of the shirt, with the bottom tip being between the top of the trousers/skirt waist band and the last button that would otherwise be exposed, if the tie were not worn, i.e. a tie should be worn at full length.
Non-uniform day

Non-uniform days may be planned or announced for a variety of reasons but only with the approval of the Head Teacher.

Some non-uniform days may have a theme and may be part of a special curriculum day or charity event.

Whatever the reason for the non-uniform day (for the whole or part of the school), pupils are required to wear clothing that is appropriate to the activities of the day and is respectful of society in general.

Wearing clothing that may be acceptable on the beach or sun bathing the back garden is not appropriate school wear and pupils must be mindful, respectful and considerate to the needs of others.

The school’s expectations on such occasions is that clothing should be clean, neat and in good order. It should respect the modesty of the individual and of others, being no more revealing than normal school uniform. Therefore items such as cropped tops, cut off short/hot pants, tops with plunging necklines or trousers worn to expose the waist band of underwear etc. are never appropriate in a school environment.

The choice of what an individual wears outside of school is a matter for parents and the individual but the school environment brings together a wide range of people from the very young age to the more mature, and others who have values, views and faiths that are different from our own. A caring community is respectful of the needs of others.