

UNIFORM GUIDELINES AT HINCHINGBROOKE June 2020



At Hinchingsbrooke we believe that a school uniform gives a sense of belonging and pride in the school whilst ensuring equality amongst students. In addition, a smart appearance contributes positively to the students' attitude to work and study; it also significantly influences how the school is portrayed to the general public.

Students must wear full school uniform (including acceptable footwear) on all school occasions and on the way to and from school. School uniform is an important feature of Hinchingsbrooke School and **on accepting a place for your child at the school you agree to support us in this matter**. Your child coming to and from school is a walking advertisement for the school and their uniform and behaviour should under no circumstances bring the school into disrepute. School authority over its students extends beyond the school gates and disciplinary penalties will be applied to students who let the school down.

Hair

Hair should look natural – not be noticeably dyed or shaved and no hair extensions.

Make-Up

In **Lower School** you are **not** permitted to wear any make-up or nail varnish (this includes acrylics, gels and French manicures or false eyelashes).

In **Middle School** our approach reflects your increased maturity. You are allowed to wear **unobtrusive** make-up and **clear** nail varnish (no acrylics, gels and French manicures or false eyelashes).

Jewellery

In **Lower School** you may wear a watch and one small plain stud earring in the lobe of each ear; earrings should fit close to the ear; no hoops, drops or expanders. No piercings or other jewellery is permitted. In **Middle School** you may wear one ring, a watch and one plain stud earring in each ear. Earrings should fit close to the ear; no hoops, drops or expanders. No piercings or other jewellery is permitted.

In practical subjects (PE, Science & DT) it is essential that jewellery is removed for Health & Safety reasons.

If you need to wear an item of jewellery for medical or religious reasons, please bring in a letter from home stating that.

Facial Piercing

No facial piercings of any type are permitted. Use of a retainer is not accepted.

Students who wish to have additional piercings should do so at the beginning of the 6 week summer holiday to avoid any potential conflict over the removal of piercings during the school day.

School Uniform

Blazer Black with school badge (in house colour on breast pocket)

Skirt 'Granite Grey' pleated tartan skirt

Trousers Mid-Grey (not charcoal) school trousers

Shorts Mid-Grey (not charcoal) school tailored shorts

Shirt Traditional white blouse/shirt with collar to take a tie

Tie Bottle green clip on tie with coloured stripes to represent the year group (white, black, bronze, silver or gold stripe which progresses with the year group through the years at school) or Prefect tie (certain Year 11s only)

Jumper Long sleeved grey jumper with bottle green stripe or bottle green jumper with grey stripe (this is an option item)

Socks Plain dark or white socks (not patterned)

Tights Plain black or natural colour tights

Belt plain black and narrow

Shoes Plain black formal sensible leather shoes



Unacceptable Uniform

Skirts rolled over

Trousers no hipsters, jean-style, frayed, clingy, lycra decorated or casual trousers

Shorts can be worn all-year round with short or knee length socks not with tights

Jumpers only school jumpers are permitted no hoodies or non-school jumpers. To only be worn under the blazer as this is an option item

Socks no coloured/patterned socks

Tights no patterned tights

Belt no coloured, embellished or wide belts

Shoes Casual shoes/trainers of any kind are unacceptable – including sandals or sling backs. 'Converse or Vans' style shoes or boots are unacceptable whether in leather or canvas. Shoes with logos, symbols, flashes of colour or brand names are not acceptable

Students whose uniform does not match requirements may not be allowed to access normal lessons or free time. No variations from, or adaptations or additions to this dress list are allowed. Persistent, open defiance of the uniform regulations will be deemed a serious breach of school discipline.

Buying Uniform

Price & Buckland is the main school uniform provider. They can supply all the school uniform items.

In addition, arrangements have been made so that Tesco online can supply a number of approved uniform items such as blazers, school shirts and mid-grey school trousers. Uniform can also be purchased from other High Street providers so long as it complies with the specifications above. Please be aware that the PE kit can **ONLY** be purchased through Price & Buckland. Links to the Price & Buckland and Tesco websites can be found on the school's website.

PE Kit

- Reversible sports top
- Unisex sports polo
- Base layer (optional)
- Socks
- Unisex PE sorts or girls fit PE shorts or skorts
- Unisex training top (optional)
- Trainers
- Plain black tracksuit bottoms (optional)
- Plain (black if possible) swimming costume/trunks
- Full length plain black sports leggings – to be worn under shorts in KS3
- Gum shield – recommended for rugby/netball
- Football/rugby boots (Kite marked safety studs strongly recommended)

Optional

- Black leggings for dance
- Black Jogging trousers/white or black thermal /cool shirt under PE kit

EQUIPMENT

All students will be provided with a planner to assist them in the organisation of their school day and homework tasks and for communication between school and home. Students must have their planner with them every day.

Students are expected to bring basic stationery items with them on a daily basis. All students must have at least:

- a pen
- a pencil
- a ruler
- a calculator

These items can be bought individually, or in a pack, from the Resources Centre. Students may also need mathematical equipment such as a protractor and a compass at certain times during the year.

Pencil	10p	Eraser	10p	Pen	10p
Ruler	15p	Sharpener	15p	Calculator	£2 or £10
Protractor	10p	Compass	50p	Pencil Case	40p
Exam pencil case with essential items for an exam £1.20					

Financial Assistance

If you need financial support to purchase uniform, applications can be made to access the Financial Assistance Fund. Please contact the appropriate Student Support Officer to apply.