



Highworth Warneford School

Uniform and Appearance

2021/22

We are delighted that so many of our parents/carers want to “buy into” the ethos and standards of Highworth Warneford School. We believe that the way students dress and appear is critical to demonstrating their support for all that the school stands for. Please ensure that you help your child achieve this by sending them to school wearing the correct uniform and taking time to ensure that they adhere to the guidelines for other aspects of their appearance.

For obvious reasons, we have been very flexible in how we have applied our uniform and appearance rules during the pandemic. From September 2021, we are intending to apply this guidance more rigorously.

Please ensure that you read this booklet carefully before buying any new uniform items and, if in doubt, contact your child’s form tutor in the first instance (current students) or contact the School Office (current Year 6 students).

The examples in this booklet should ensure that you are aware of what is acceptable and what is not. We expect our students to be outstanding in everything that they do, say and in how they look. With your support, they will be!

If, at any point, you experience a particular problem with regard to supplying your child with the correct uniform, it is essential that you contact your child’s form tutor in the first instance. We will always endeavour to find a solution.

Mr M. Nye
Deputy Head

Highworth Warneford School Uniform 2021/22

School uniform is a simple and fair way of setting a high standard of appearance. Items have been chosen, as far as possible, to be easy to obtain and relatively inexpensive. Uniform and sports kit specific to Warneford can be bought or ordered online from Monkhouse and the stock codes are detailed below. Their shop (FR Monkhouse), at Unit 1B, Plaza 21, Sanford Street, Swindon stocks uniform all year round and you can also order by phone, post or via their own online service: <https://www.monkhouse.com/>

Uniform available from Monkhouse only

Years 7, 8 & 9	Plain royal blue V neck crested knitted jumper (Code BCBV4837-ROY)
Years 10 & 11	Plain navy V neck crested knitted jumper (Code BCBV4837-NVY)
All years	Navy stitch-down pleated school skirt (Code GPB-NVY)

Uniform available more widely

Black school trousers - *not* jeans, cords, leggings or denims and no buckles or zips on the leg of the trousers. Trousers should 'reach' a child's shoe and not be tight/figure-hugging. **See appendix for more guidance.**

Light blue long or short sleeve school shirt with a collar suitable for a tie

Protective apron/old shirt (for practical lessons, such as Art)

Black leather or synthetic shoes of a safe, and sensible style - not boots, trainers, shoes with logos or canvas/suede shoes. **See appendix for more guidance.**

Dark coloured socks

Black/navy tights or short white/navy socks in the summer. Tights must have a 'foot'.

Uniform available from the School Office

House ties

PE and Games Kit from Monkhouse only

AKOA royal and amber reversible rugby shirt

AKOA royal and amber shorts or skort

AKOA royal and amber rugby socks

Highworth Warneford Falcon PE Polo (**Code MGJ012**)

Highworth Warneford Falcon Fleece Jogging Trouser (**Code XQN001**) (**optional**)

If required your child's initials can be printed onto the AKOA range; this can be arranged by Monkhouse for a small fee.

PE and Games Kit available widely

White socks; Football boots; Trainers; Shin pads; Gum shield

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Uniform is only one part of ensuring that students are properly dressed for school. We also need them to follow some basic rules about the rest of their appearance.

Hair

Very short shaved hair is not allowed, and longer hair should be neat and tidy. If the back and sides of hair is cut with clippers, it must be 'blended' with the rest of the haircut to avoid a distinct contrast.

No shaved lines or logos in hair or eyebrows are allowed and no 'extreme' hairstyles.

Hair colouring must only be with single natural colours. The school does not permit two-tone dipped dyed hair.

Long hair must be tied back in PE and Design Technology lessons.

Facial hair should be trimmed and tidy.

The definition of 'extreme' rests with the Headteacher.

Jewellery

No jewellery may be worn except wristwatches and one plain stud earring in each ear lobe.

No other facial/head piercings (**including nose or tongue piercings**) are allowed; neither are retainers to "hold piercings open".

There is no exception to this rule. If your child wishes to have a piercing done that does not meet these rules, please make sure that this is timed in a way that does not need them to keep the piercing in during term time.

Students failing to take any unwanted adornment out will not be able to attend lessons.

Make Up

Only limited discreet make up is permitted. Any student wearing excessive make up will be given make up remover to take it off.

Fake eyelashes are not permitted.

Coloured nail varnish/extensions/gels are not allowed and students wearing them will be asked to remove them.

Coat/Outdoor wear

Students should wear a 'proper' coat in cold and wet weather, but this must not take the form of a sweatshirt or a hooded top (hoodie).

Jackets made of sweatshirt /hoodie material with a zip are NOT acceptable as a coat.

All students should lower their coats hoods inside of the school buildings.

APPENDIX

SCHOOL SHOES

These need to be black leather or synthetic shoes of a safe, and sensible style (not boots, trainers, shoes with logos or canvas/suede shoes).

Please be aware that just because a manufacturer or a shop advertises a certain style of shoe as a “school shoe” this may still not be acceptable as many so called “school shoes” are trainers. We do allow black Air Force 1s as long as the silver tab is removed.

Below is a selection of the types of shoes that would be acceptable:



Below is a selection of the types of shoes that would not be acceptable:



Training shoe. It's not leather and has distinct logo

Canvas shoes are not allowed.

Logos are very distinct and is much more of a trainer

A boot.

What if...

My child has a medical condition or a doctor/medical practitioner advises him/her to wear trainers?

A letter written by the doctor must be provided and the parent/carer should telephone the Head of House.

My child's shoes become broken, lost, left at another house, etc.

They should bring in a note from home with an explanation and pass this to their Head of House. Where possible, the correct shoes are to be worn the next day. If replacement shoes are required these should be purchased during next weekend at the latest, ready for the start of the new week. In all cases substitute shoes should be of a style as close as possible to a formal school shoe.

SCHOOL TROUSERS

The uniform rules state, “Black school trousers - *not* jeans, cords, leggings or denims and no buckles or zips on the leg of the trousers. Trousers should ‘reach’ a child’s shoe and not be tight/figure-hugging.”

Again, you should be aware that a number of manufacturers and shops advertise certain styles of trousers as being “school trousers”, when they are in fact not suitable.

Below is a selection of types of trousers that **would not** be acceptable:



Zips on trouser leg tight/figure hugging no buckles/not plain ‘reach a child’s shoe’

We do understand that finding an appropriate style for all body shapes can be difficult and we appreciate your support in doing so.

Mr Nye

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