

WEST DERBY SCHOOL



UNIFORM AND VALUABLES POLICY

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Signed:	S Graham (Headteacher)

Uniform

At West Derby School, we are proud of our identity and expect all pupils, and their parents, to support this important stance. There are uniform rules in place to ensure consistency across the school community and we expect all boys in years 7 to 11 to wear full school uniform at all times. A comprehensive list of our school uniform is below.

The full West Derby uniform consists of:

- Black trousers (compulsory)
- **Black blazer (compulsory)
- White Shirt (compulsory; tucked into trousers)
- **School Tie (compulsory) (light blue for Years 7-9, dark blue for Years 10 and 11)
- Plain black shoes – (compulsory) examples can be found on our website [here](#).

PE Kit

- **PE long sleeve top (optional but advisable in cold weather)
- **PE Polo shirt (compulsory)
- **Navy** PE socks (compulsory)
- **Navy** PE shorts (compulsory)
- Trainers (compulsory)
- Football boots (optional but advisable for outdoor PE lessons)

Suggested *optional* additional items of PE Kit:

- **Navy** tracksuit bottoms (optional for outdoor lessons in cold weather only)
- **Navy** thin water-proof jacket (optional for outdoor lessons in cold weather only)
- **Navy** base-layers (optional for outdoor lessons in cold weather only)

Items marked ** are school specific / require a school logo and are available from a range of school uniform retailers. No non-navy kit will be allowed. If a boy wishes to wear a thermal vest/tee shirt under his shirt it must be white.

Pre-loved school uniform items are available from the school upon request.

The following items are NOT permitted:

- No training shoes (except in PE lessons)***
- No jumpers
- No jewellery other than a watch
- No coats to be worn inside school
- No hats or coat hoods to be worn inside school
- No hooded tops or sweatshirts to be worn in school

*** This applies to all students at all times. Where a student has a foot injury and is advised by a medical practitioner to wear comfortable shoes, the school will provide the student with appropriate footwear.

Any student wearing a non-uniform item is asked to remove it and put it in his bag. If they refuse, their Pupil Progress Leader or a member of Senior Leadership Team will intervene.

If a student forgets any uniform items, for example blazer and shoes, parents/carers will be contacted and asked to bring in the missing items. If correct uniform is not brought into school the student will remain in Isolation.

In respect of ties, broken, damaged or unkempt ties must be replaced. KS3 students (Years 7-9) wear a light blue tie; KS4 students (Years 10-11) wear a dark blue tie. Parents/carers

can purchase a tie via the ParentPay app. Failure to wear the correct and/or acceptable tie will also result in Isolation for the student.

Hair and nails

Students should have their hair cut in a style which allows staff to see their eyes. Any students whose hair is covering their eyes will be asked to purchase a hairband, and wear it at all times whilst on school premises.

Students are not allowed to have hairbrushes out whilst in school. Hairbrushes will be confiscated if seen by a member of staff.

Students should not dye their hair any colour other than a colour that is deemed to be a natural hair colour. Hair dyed in bright or psychedelic colours is unacceptable. Boys whose hair is dyed to an unsuitable colour, and who do not change it, will be placed in Isolation.

Students must not wear nail varnish to school. Students wearing nail varnish will be placed in Isolation until it has been removed.

Points of note:

- ***Unsuitable footwear will not be accepted under any circumstances.***
- ***Whilst coats will be worn in the winter months, boys must remove them whilst in school. In addition, coats must not be worn in place of a blazer. The blazer, as noted above, is compulsory. Boys who continually wear an outdoor coat in place of their compulsory blazer will have their coat confiscated until the end of the day.***
- ***** In the event of exceptionally warm weather, the Headteacher may make a decision to remove the requirement of wearing a blazer.***
- ***Badges or buttons must not be added to any items of uniform; this is unacceptable.***
- ***All shirts must have the top button fastened.***

Belongings

All belongings, including clothing, should be clearly marked with the student's name.

Bicycles and scooters

The health and safety of our students is paramount and, as such, students are not permitted to bring their bikes and scooters to school. Parents are asked to ensure that their child does not come to school on his bike or scooter. If they do so, they will be asked to take their bike/scooter home and return to school without it. We thank parents for their support on this important matter.

Limiting money and valuables

Students in Years 7 to 11 are not allowed to have their mobile phones or other items of technology out at all whilst in school. All students are asked not to bring expensive mobile phones, smart watches, ear phones, air pods, portable music, game players or other technical devices into school. If they decide to do so, they are brought into school at their own risk. Students who choose to bring these items into school must be aware that they will be confiscated if seen during the school day. The confiscated item will then be kept in the safe in the main office until the end of the following school day, when it may be collected by the parent/carer.

Students who choose to bring a mobile phone to school can hand it in to staff at the start of a PE lesson if they wish. The mobile phone will then be locked in a safe location for the duration of the lesson and handed back to the student at the end. Parents and students

must be aware that the student is responsible for the security of any valuable items they choose to bring into school at all times (with the exception of during PE lessons when the phone has been handed in and placed in a safe location as detailed above).

The school uses the cashless system, ParentPay, for a range of chargeable services including school meals, educational visits and peripatetic music lessons. Parents should, therefore, encourage their child to bring only a limited amount of money (if any at all) to school to cover expenses such as travel to and from school etc. Any money brought into school remains the responsibility of the student.

Lost Property

Parents should ensure that their child's uniform, PE kit and other items are clearly named. If a student lose clothing and it is found, it will be kept in a basket either in the main reception, the PE department (for PE kit) or the caretakers' office.

If the item is named, it will be returned to the student.