

## Westlands School Uniform

Westlands School has an enviable reputation for the high standard of appearance of its pupils, a reputation of which the school is very proud, and one that is often favourably commented upon by members of the general public and local employers.

All Westlands pupils are therefore expected to maintain this high standard by coming to school smartly dressed in their full school uniform and wearing it in the required style. All items of uniform worn to school must be of conventional school style appropriate for formal school wear and clearly marked with the owner's name. Clothing must not include fashion items. Clothes, or any other item that a pupil brings to school, should not portray any inappropriate logos or wording. If parents have any doubts about what may be inappropriate, they should contact the Learning Leader.

From time to time, the Headteacher may impose additional restrictions upon pupil clothing and equipment in the spirit of keeping pupil uniform looking smart and appropriate.

No make-up is permitted for Key Stage 3 pupils. In Key Stage 4 only discreet make-up is allowed. No pupils are allowed to wear jewellery of any sort to school, including earrings. Jewellery will be confiscated and given to the school office for collection after school. Ears should be pierced only at the beginning of a main holiday to allow time for healing so the earrings can be removed on return to school. Hair styles and colour should be acceptable for a formal school situation. No visible tattoos are permitted at any time, including during PE lessons or games activities.

When pupils are travelling by public transport or are walking or cycling to or from school, they are expected to conform to the uniform code.

### SCHOOL UNIFORM FOR BOYS AND GIRLS OF STATUTORY SCHOOL AGE

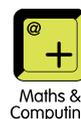
**ALL ITEMS OF UNIFORM MUST BE CONVENTIONAL, FORMAL SCHOOL WEAR AND MUST NOT INCLUDE FASHION ITEMS.**

#### Uniform

The school is introducing two new styles of skirt from August 2017. New Year 7 pupils must wear one of the new styles which were chosen after consultation with parents, pupils and staff.

**Blazer** - Navy blue with navy blue buttons and a school badge on the breast pocket. Pupils must wear blazers at all times, unless directed by staff due to hot weather.

**School Trousers or** - Plain grey or black.



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**School Skirt** - Plain grey, either straight with a kick pleat or a kilt, not black, of an appropriate length. Photographs are available on the school website.

**New Year 7 cannot wear the Charleston style – this is being phased out.**

**School Shirt or School Blouse** - Plain white with standard collar and a top button (not a reverse collar for girls). These must be worn tucked into the waistband of trousers or skirt. Any clothing worn under the shirt or blouse must not show above the collar or have logos or wording that are visible through the material of the shirt or blouse.

**School Pullover** - Plain mid-grey with 'v' neck (no logos). – this is the only permitted additional item of clothing for cold weather. Sweatshirts, jumpers, hooded fleece tops or similar items are not permitted. Pupils may wear additional items of clothing under their shirt or blouse for extra warmth but these must not show above the collar nor have logos or wording that are visible through the material of the shirt or blouse.

**Socks** – Plain grey, navy blue, black or white.

**Tights** – Plain neutral, navy blue, black or grey.

**Shoes** - Formal, leather, black with low heels, suitable for school. Shoes, which are backless or have open toes, sling-backs, high heels or boots are not allowed. Shoes should not be decorated in any way. Trainers must not be worn in place of shoes.

**Tie** - Community colours and worn in a formal style, properly knotted and tied to an acceptable length showing five stripes below the knot, and done up to the top button of the shirt. Ties must not be tucked in to shirts or blouses, have the threads pulled nor be coloured in.

**Outer Coat** - Plain navy blue or plain black preferred (no sweatshirt hoodies to be worn). This should be a formal coat, suitable for school wear. Sweatshirts, jumpers, hooded fleece tops or similar items, which are clearly not intended to be worn as a coat, are not permitted. If a suitable coat does have a hood, at no time during the school day must the hood be used to conceal a **pupil's identity**.

**Apron** - For Design and Technology.

**Scarf** - From January 2018 the school will be introducing a school scarf. Along with the pupils themselves we have chosen a good quality navy blue scarf with a name tag. No other scarves will be allowed during the school day.

If pupils do not follow the simple rules regarding uniform, they must expect to be punished each time they are caught by a member of staff. This may be on more than one occasion on any particular day, if they persistently defy the rules. Pupils who wear trainers to school or who persistently refuse to follow the rules will be placed in the pupil support provision for their lessons.

### **PE KIT**

Sports and PE kit should only be brought to school when required. No items of kit should ever be left overnight in changing rooms or classrooms.

Please find below the list of requirements that students must have for PE lessons.

All PE kit must be branded with the Westlands badge.

#### **Boys Compulsory PE Kit:**

- Westlands rugby top.
- Westlands shorts.
- Westlands boys polo t-shirt.
- Blue jogging bottoms with Westlands badge.
- Socks – navy blue knee-length socks.
- Shin pads.

### **Girls Compulsory PE Kit:**

- Westlands ladies polo t-shirt.
- Blue jogging bottoms with Westlands badge.
- Westlands skort or Westlands shorts.
- Westlands sports hoody.
- Socks - navy blue knee-length socks.
- Shin pads.

There is also an option to buy additional items as well as the compulsory kit for girls and boys. Please see below:

- Westlands sports hoody.
- Westlands baselayer.
- Westlands rugby top.

N.B. Some specialist kit may be needed for team members for inter-school matches and specialist options e.g. gum shields. Shin pads must be worn when representing the school in football or hockey.

PE kit is easily mislaid. In order that staff may quickly trace and return lost property we would be grateful if parents would ensure that all clothing is identified with name tape and trainers with marking ink on the inside.

### **Swale Sixth Form Dress Code**

We believe our Sixth Form students are role models. Whilst we allow them to have some freedom to express themselves as individuals, they have a responsibility to set a good example to younger students and the local community. Therefore we expect high standards of presentation and have a clear dress code which must be adhered to.

Students are permitted to wear formal, business style clothes within the guidelines outlined below. They should understand that this is a privilege given to encourage independence, but also to enable students to develop an understanding of what constitutes appropriate choice.

### **Female Students**

**Tops** – Smart blouses, jumpers or cardigans. Any tops worn must not be low cut or expose the midriff. Vest or ‘strappy’ tops, play suits and ‘hoodies’ are not permitted. Logos must be small, discrete and inoffensive.

**Skirts / Dresses** – Smart, business-like and of an appropriate length. Denim is not permitted. Hem lines must be neat. Plain tights may be worn.

**Trousers** – Smart, tailored and business-like. No jeans, leggings, tracksuit bottoms, shorts or tight trousers are allowed.

**Shoes** – Sensible, traditional leather style footwear. No flip flops, trainers or UGG boots.

### **Male Students**

**Shirts** – Smart shirts with a collar worn with a tie. Smart jumpers or cardigans may be worn. ‘Hoodies’ are not permitted.

**Trousers** – Smart, tailored and business-like. No jeans, combat trousers, shorts or tracksuit bottoms are allowed.

**Shoes** – Sensible, traditional leather style footwear. No trainers or flip flops are allowed.

In addition to the above, some specific courses have the following variations due to the nature of their studies.

### **Dance Students**

Black jazz trousers and a black top that covers the stomach and chest. Outside clothing to conform with the general dress code above. Dance clothing and leggings not to be worn around the site. Official dance jackets are permitted around the site.

### **Drama Students**

Black trousers and a black top (either t-shirt or jumper) with no logos or writing on. Trainers and canvas shoes are allowed in the studio but must be all black with no coloured soles or trims. No strappy tops to be worn. Official drama sweatshirts are permitted around the site.

### **Sports Students**

Will be required to wear smart clothing according to the dress code, including ties, and change into sportswear when required. Football shirts or kit are not allowed.

### **Music Students**

Black work-tough trousers and a black polo top (both ordered through the music department). During colder months, official black fleeces will be expected to be worn (ordered through the music department). Black shoes are to be worn at all times.

Both male and female students are allowed a small amount of discrete jewellery.

No visible piercings other than normal earrings are allowed (no ear stretchers or facial piercings.)

Visible tattoos are not permitted.

Hats are not permitted to be worn on the school site (woollen or baseball caps.)

**Please note that students will not be permitted to attend lessons if wearing incorrect uniform, and the school reserves the right to ask students to go home to change.**