## Sixth Form Dress Code

In considering the points below, we are seeking to strike the right balance between allowing our Sixth Form students to express their individuality whilst balancing this with their responsibility to act as role models within the school and to take pride in looking their best. We have tried to limit any excessive cost to parents and we would suggest buying a robust suit rather than expensive, more refined options as the suit (or jacket and trousers/skirt) will get heavy wear.

#### **Uniform Guidelines**

It is expected that all students wear smart and appropriate clothes to school every morning. The only exceptions to this are:

- 1. If they have sport as their first lesson.
- 2. If they are attending a school trip and have been granted permission to wear different clothing by the member of staff leading the trip.

### Sixth Form dress consists of the following items:

**Suits:** These should be of a formal style and comfortable cut in either blue, black or grey block colour. A light check or stripe is permitted but excessive patterning should be avoided. Both skirts or and trouser suits are permitted.

**Dresses:** Dresses must be appropriate to the workplace with the same requirements on length as with the skirts. Spaghetti straps are not permitted.

**Shoes:** Shoes should be sensible black or brown leather shoes (only low heels are permitted), that are suitable for all weather conditions. Trainers or casual shoes should not be worn.

**Tights:** Students may wear black or dark grey tights which are full length.

**Trousers and Skirts:** If not wearing a suit, students must wear a tailored, formal skirt or full-length smart trousers. Skirts must be of an appropriate length conducive to the workplace, below the knee or just above the knee. In summer, smart shorts are only permitted where the length is to the knee. Jeans in any form are not permitted. Formal chinos may be worn in either a dark or tan colour.

**Shirts & Tie:** Students should wear a smart shirt of appropriate colour and style avoiding any significant pattern and be always tucked in. Ties may be worn but are not compulsory.

**Jacket:** Smart, fitted blazers are permitted following the same guidelines for colour as suits and should be worn at all times.

**Jumpers:** Fitted jumpers should be of a single colour and either round, V-neck, or polo neck. They should be worn underneath a jacket; they do not replace the jacket.

**School Hoodie & Sweatshirt:** IHS hoodies will not be permitted from September 2022, after which we will continue only with IHS House sweatshirts, which are to only

be worn for House events and not as part of the school PE kit. House sweatshirts can be purchased via the following link: <a href="https://www.sportsclass.com/ihshouse/">https://www.sportsclass.com/ihshouse/</a>

**Coats:** Students may wear the school coat or a smart black or dark blue coat of their choice.

### **Personal Appearance**

**Hair:** All hair must be neat and tidy and will need to be tied back for some activities (e.g. sport, when conducting science experiments etc). Hair may not be streaked or dyed a colour that is not a natural hair colour.

**Jewellery:** A small amount of discrete jewellery may be worn, and if a student has pierced ears, they may wear small earrings. Any jewellery worn in piercings other than the ear are not permitted to be worn.

**Makeup:** Students may wear discreet makeup with single colour nail varnish if they wish.

Students have the right to manifest a religion or belief, including the covering of the head. If worn, headscarves should be regulation grey colour, with the ends tucked in, at all times, for safety reasons. For swimming, pupils may wear a base layer, rash vest or full body swimming costume which must be a solid navy blue.

# Sixth Form P.E. Kit Requirements

You will need the following sportswear items (as a minimum): these can be purchased online from our uniform supplier, schoolblazer.com. If they wish, pupils may wear boys and/or girls uniform. To order select 'prefer not to say' when selecting gender on SchoolBlazer.com.

- Navy Tracksuit bottoms
- Navy Tracksuit top
- Navy Skort or shorts
- Navy Polo shirt

Students will not be able to play or train for hockey if they do not have a mouthguard or shin pads. We arrange for OPRO to come into school during the first few weeks of autumn term for students to have a custom-made fitted mouthguard. This is paid for directly by parents and you will receive booking information before the start of term. If your child wants to play hockey before their OPRO mouthguard is available, we would suggest you purchase an off the shelf home-fitted mouthguard from any reputable sports outlet for the meantime.

Sports kit should only be worn for sports lessons and activities and should not be worn to school. Students must wear their tracksuit bottoms if in PE kit whilst not in a PE class.

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Navy Tracksuit Bottoms	Compulsory
Navy Mid Layer	Compulsory
Navy Base Layer Legs	Optional
Navy Soft Shell Jacket	Optional
Navy Shorts/Navy Skirt	Compulsory
White Polo Shirt	Compulsory
Sports Water Bottle	Compulsory