



# STRATFORD GIRLS' GRAMMAR SCHOOL

STRATFORD-UPON-AVON

## Uniform Policy

Disclosable under Freedom of Information Act

Yes

### **Policy ownership**

Governor committee:	Progress & Well-being
Department responsible:	PWB
Post-holder: (title and name)	Chris Hall, Assistant Head
Linked procedures	Behaviour Policy
Responsible person:	Chris Hall, Assistant Head
Implementation date:	July 2021
Planned review interval:	Annual
Planned next review date:	July 2022

Our uniform is an essential part of our identity. It instils a sense of pride and belonging in our school and signals a readiness to be part of our learning community.

Through the school uniform code, we aim to:

- encourage pride in the school
- support teaching and learning and a positive work ethic
- enable students to be comfortable, safe and secure
- ensure that students of different social, religious and ethnic groups feel welcome
- encourage a sense of equality and cohesion

All members of the community are expected to uphold the values of the school and share its high aspirations. All students are required to wear the school uniform and high standards of personal appearance are both expected and monitored. It is school policy that uniform is worn at all times during the school day and for all out of hours school events unless directed otherwise by the school. Uniform should be worn correctly to and from school as the impression our students give in the community is of extreme importance. The uniform is part of our school ethos and in coming to Stratford Girls' Grammar School parents agree to support our policy. This is clearly stated in the Home-School Agreement.

### **Sixth Form Dress Code**

The aim of the sixth form dress code is to ensure that students project a personally distinctive, smart and business-like image, reflecting their attitude to learning and the community values and high standards of the school.

Through the dress code we aim to:

- encourage pride in the school
- support teaching and learning and a positive work ethic
- enable students to be comfortable, safe and secure
- ensure that girls of different social, religious and ethnic groups feel welcome
- foster a sense of equality and community cohesion.

Clothes must be suitable for a mixed business environment and co-ordinated in both style and colour. Extremes of fashion do not have a place in the school or workplace.

We are very proud of our dress code, as it has been created with and for our students and allows considerable individuality.

### **Students not adhering to the dress code will be:**

1. Warned by a member of staff and sent to register at the Sixth Form Office.
2. At the Sixth Form Office, where needed, suitable loan clothing will be given for that day.
3. Asked to go home and change, or work in isolation in the Manor the second time the dress code is broken.

**Please note that the Sixth Form Office makes the final decision on appropriate dress.**

## Sixth Form Dress from September 2021

Overall look	<p>Smart business wear must be worn at all times, including a jacket. There are no rules regarding colours – we want you to be able to express yourself – but remember this is a <b>work environment</b>.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Jackets should be worn at all times around school; jumpers and cardigans <b>cannot</b> be worn instead of a jacket, they must be worn underneath if needed and should be smart. Hoodies and sports jumpers/sweatshirts are not permitted.</li> <li>smart, business skirts/dresses should be closer in length to the knee than the thighs <b>and in all cases longer than fingertips when hands are placed by your side</b>; bodycon skirts or dresses are not permitted</li> <li>smart trousers: shorts, jeans, jeggings, skinny-fit trousers and leggings are not acceptable</li> <li>strappy tops with thin spaghetti straps, low-cut blouses/tops and casual t-shirts (with or without logos) are not permitted, tops must be layered so they are not revealing</li> <li>denim, suede and leather skirts, trousers or tops are not permitted</li> <li>there should be no bare midriffs</li> </ul>
Footwear	<p>Smart flat or low-heeled shoes. Heels should not be higher than 5cm. Smart leather/ equivalent plain boots with a low heel are permitted – ankle, calf or knee length. High heels, Dr Martens style boots and flip-flops are not allowed nor are trainers, boat shoes or other casual shoes.</p>
Coats	<p>Coats (if worn to and from school) should be smart and can be of any colour. Coats should not be worn inside school buildings or classrooms: please use storage or coat hooks in the Manor.</p>
Jewellery and make-up	<p>Modest, unobtrusive jewellery appropriate for a working environment may be worn: one pair fashion earrings only. Any other piercings must be studs.</p>
Piercings and tattoos	<p>With the exception of studs in the ear, no facial or visible bodily decorative piercing or tattoos are allowed. No nose piercings are allowed with the exception of those authorised by the Head of Sixth Form on cultural/ religious grounds.</p>
Hair	<p>Hair should be appropriate for a formal work environment ie no extremes of fashion, colours or styles. Long hair should be tied back when Health and Safety requires it.</p>

## Main School Dress / General Uniform: Years 7 to 11 from September 2021

Overall look	<p>Graphite grey blazer with tartan, pleated skirt for Years 7 to 9 / plain kick pleat skirt for Years 10 and 11 or dark grey trouser (Harrow) trousers with white reverse long / short sleeve blouse. Purple jumper with grey stripe to be worn as extra in cold weather.</p>
Blazer*	<p>Graphite grey Trutex Blazer (AGB-GRA). House colour ribbon stitched at the top of the school badge.</p>

Skirt*	Castle Tartan Trutex Stitch-Down Pleat (GST-CAS) (for Years 7-9) "Charcoal" Brennan KJ189 twin kick pleat skirt (for Years 10 and 11) Skirt length must be on the knee. <i>'On the knee' means at any time in the academic year, a girl's skirt should be sitting on the top of her knee at the very least.</i>
Trouser	Charcoal grey tailored trouser (either straight leg or boot leg)
Blouse/Shirt	Revere collar white, long or short sleeved Collared shirt white, long or short sleeved Extra clothes can be worn under the blouse in cold weather – but these extras must not be visible.
V Neck Jumper*	Purple and Grey Insert Cotton V Neck Trutex (SCGV).
Socks / tights	November to Easter: plain black opaque tights or plain black socks (if wearing trousers). Easter-October half term: Plain black opaque tights, white or black ankle socks or neutral tights in summer. Knee length socks are not permitted.
Scarves	Muslim students who wish to wear the hijab (headscarf) are welcome to do so, provided that the fabric is plain, lightweight and grey, black or white. Scarves (optional): black, university style, with purple, blue and yellow stripe*.
Shoes suitable for school use	Plain black conventional flat shoes or low wide-heeled shoes with soft soles. Boots are not permitted. Plimsolls or trainers are permitted only for sport.
Belt	Only a thin plain black belt may be worn with trousers.
Travel to and from School	Hoodie / sweatshirt worn under the blazer when travelling to and from school are not allowed, this also applies during the School day. No denim is permitted at any time.
Science overall	Available from school.
Jewellery and make-up	The following may be worn: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- A watch</li> <li>- Small silver or gold ear studs (one in each ear lobe).</li> <li>- A small cross or other religious symbol on a discreet necklace.</li> </ul> Students will be asked to remove any items not listed. No jewellery is to be worn in PE lessons. Discrete make up, ie foundation, concealer, mascara are permitted to create a natural look. Students wearing excessive make-up will be asked to remove it. Nail varnish and false nails are not permitted for Health and Safety reasons.

Piercings and tattoos	With the exception of a single stud in each ear lobe, no facial or visible bodily decorative piercings or tattoos are allowed. SGGGS will accommodate requests for Henna to be worn during observance of Eid – requests in advance to PWB leads
Hair	Should be appropriate for a school environment i.e. no extremes of fashion, colour or styles. Long hair should be tied back when Health and Safety require it (e.g. in science, art and technology lessons, and for PE). Hair accessories must be suitable for a school environment.

*Note: items marked \* are not standard items and can only be obtained from our suppliers.*

**The school uniform supplier for Years 7 to 11 is:**

National Schoolwear Centres - Alcester Branch  
3/4 Bulls Head Yard  
Alcester  
Warwickshire B49 5BX

Tel: 01789 400344  
[www.alcestermsc.co.uk](http://www.alcestermsc.co.uk)

**PE Kit from September 2021**

The PE kit comprises of the following compulsory items:

- Polo shirt
- Skort and/or Shorts
- Socks
- Base layer leggings
- Sweatshirt

Optional items:

- Training Top
- Base layer top
- Shower proof jacket
- Tracksuit bottoms

These items are available from [Price and Buckland](#) (P&B). They offer an online ordering service, and payment is made at the point of placing your order, they will be sent direct to your homes (a delivery charge of £3.95 will be applied to all orders under £100).

Any further orders can be delivered to school, free of charge, and we are scheduled to receive a maximum of two bulk deliveries of PE kit per month, however parents can still choose to have orders sent to your homes.

When you place your online order with P&B, you will notice that all kit includes lettering of up to three initials, at no additional cost. These are compulsory, as we wish to be relieved of our ever-growing mountain of unnamed kit. We request that parents continue to name their daughters kit.

The following additional items for all Year Groups can be purchased from our supplier or from any good sports shop:

- Sports trainers
- White ankle socks for netball, indoor PE, summer PE
- Shin guards for hockey, football and lacrosse
- Small sports bag to put kit in (students should consider the size of their locker before buying their PE bag)
- Mouthguard (optional but highly recommended for rugby and hockey)
- Hockey stick and tennis racket (optional: school will provide for lessons)
- Gloves, hat (optional for cold weather)

### **Identification**

All uniform must be named so that it can be returned to students if lost.

### **Enforcement of the uniform code**

It is the responsibility of the students to adhere to the dress code. We anticipate parental co-operation in ensuring that their daughter comes to school in the correct dress code (see the Home School Agreement). All staff have a responsibility for ensuring that students are correctly dressed in class and elsewhere on site.

Students who fail to adhere to the dress code will be sanctioned in line with the school's Behaviour Policy. Sanctions include detention, internal exclusions and being sent home to change. Students who come to school inappropriately dressed will be sent home to change. Parents will be contacted if this is the case. The Heads of House and Assistant Head – and ultimately the Headteacher – are the final arbiters of what is acceptable.

### **Issues arising from the dress code**

Requests to vary the code for particular reasons such as medical needs or for religion, will always be carefully considered and should be directed to a student's Head of House in the first instance.

Any other questions regarding the uniform should be should be directed to a student's Head of House or the Assistant Head: Progress and Well-being in the first instance.