



Notley High School & Braintree Sixth Form

Uniform Policy

Curriculum and Standards Committee

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Designated Postholder:	Assistant Headteacher

The wearing of full school uniform is expected as an integral part of the school ethos which promotes positive attitudes, high standards and a sense of personal pride. In our view, for a school uniform to be successful it must be:-

1. Uniform and not open to various interpretations
2. Distinctive and smart
3. Easily and readily available
4. Reasonably priced

Students are expected to wear the correct school uniform as listed below.

Uniform

Blazer	Black blazer. School badge attached to the blazer (iron/stitch on year blazer badges – woven embroidered logo onto fabric backing in relevant year group colour – only available from our supplier, SWI).
Pullover	Long sleeved 'V' neck black pullover (optional).
Skirt	Blue knee-length Kelso Tartan Kilt – Royal Multi – only available from our supplier, SWI.
Trousers	Plain black tailored trousers. The trousers must have a hem and not be frayed or have a wide or narrow bottom. Trousers should not be denim, cord, lycra material or hipster style and any zips should be discreet. The bottom of trousers should sit on the shoe and not cling to the leg.
Blouse/Shirt	Girls - White shirt-type blouse with plain, undecorated collar. Not polo or lycra style. Boys - Plain white shirt - not polo shirt.
Shoes	Plain black shoes (not open-toe design, trainers, pump or canvas shoes, no stilettos, mules or sling backs, a proper heel not greater than 4cm - no coloured laces or stitching). Trainers are only allowed if accompanied by a doctor's note. Please note boots are not allowed. Students must wear proper black leather or leather look shoes and not trainers or any trainer-style shoes.
Socks/Tights	Girls - Plain white or dark socks or tights in black or natural/skin tone. Boys - Plain white or dark socks.
Tie	House ties in relevant house colour with woven logo – only available from our supplier, SWI. The top button must be fastened and the tie knot placed at the collar of the shirt. The school and house crests should sit just below the knot.
Belts	Only plain black belts are acceptable.
Protective Clothing	Craft apron and an old shirt for Art.
Outdoor Coats	Most forms of sensible outdoor coats (preferably dark in colour and waterproof) are acceptable. Casual leisure wear is not regarded as suitable for school. Sweatshirts or hoodies of any description do not qualify as coats and are not acceptable.
Jewellery	One wrist watch is acceptable. Students with pierced ears will be allowed to wear two plain gold/silver small studs or small sleepers, one in the lobe of each ear. Diamanté, crystals, gemstones or other decorative styles are not acceptable. Plain gold or silver sleepers must be small enough to not allow a 5p piece to pass through them (a maximum of one per ear). The stud/sleeper is to be placed in the earlobe. Nose studs, other jewellery, piercings and badges are not allowed. Items that are not acceptable will be confiscated until the end of the half term when they can be collected from Student Services.
Hair	Students having long hair must fasten it back in laboratories and practical rooms and for PE. Extreme hairstyles will not be tolerated (no hair shorter than number 2, no shapes cut

into hair, no unnatural colours or unnatural combinations). Hair may be worn in small plaits where little scalp is visible provided the whole head of hair is plaited. Plaited hair must be fastened at the back. The school reserves the right to make the final decision on what constitutes an extreme hairstyle.

Make-up Students are not allowed to wear make-up in Years 7, 8 and 9. Discreet make-up is permitted in Years 10 and 11. Nail varnish or false nails are not allowed.

The school will participate in the uniform grant scheme via the Education Transport and awards team at Essex County Council.

PE

Compulsory Kit	Optional PE Kit Extras
Red Aptus polo shirt	Black/silver Aptus training pant
Black Milan shorts	Black Amazon rain jacket
Black Coolmax socks	Black thermal base layer
Boys – Black/red Aptus ¼ zip training Top	Gum shield: we recommend a gum shield fitted by a dentist
Girls – Black/red Aptus full zip training Top	Girls' leggings – girls are permitted to wear leggings, providing that they are thick and plain black. Small logos are acceptable (no bigger than a £2 coin).

All uniform, including PE kit, can be acquired via Sportswear International's website www.swi.co.uk

PE Information

Students have one indoor and one outdoor lesson per week. Students will go outside for their outdoor lessons – wind, rain or shine - and should dress accordingly. Students are encouraged to wear warm clothing under their PE kit. Long sleeve t-shirts are acceptable, providing the top layer is the Notley PE kit. If a student wears a 'base layer' with their short sleeve t-shirt it must be the same colour as their polo-shirt. Students are not allowed to wear tights for PE lessons, but can wear plain black tracksuit trousers. Girls are permitted to wear leggings, providing that they are thick and plain black (small logos are acceptable but must be no bigger than a £2 coin). When the weather is particularly cold and wet, students are encouraged to bring a towel and a change of underwear as it is likely the lesson will be outside. Students should always prepare for their lesson to be outside.

Students must have appropriate trainers, meaning no Converse or canvas trainers are worn by any students for any PE lessons. When students are outside on the field, they are encouraged to wear football boots or boots with studs. Jewellery is not permitted during any PE lesson for health and safety reasons, and we take this guidance from all national governing bodies. Students will be asked to remove any earrings and jewellery that they may be wearing. For this reason, we advise that any ear piercings take place at the start of the school holidays so as earrings can be removed during PE lessons.

Although the changing rooms are locked during PE lessons the school cannot guarantee the safety and security of valuables so students are advised not to bring anything of value into school on the days they have PE.

Uniform Cards

Each term, students are given a Uniform Card. This is used to record any uniform infringements, such as having an untucked shirt, wearing jewellery or wearing trainers without permission. Other infringements can also be recorded on the cards by any member of staff. Examples of such infringements may be running in the corridors, not having the correct equipment for a lesson or being rude to a member of the canteen staff. Six infringements in any one term will result in a uniform detention. If a child reaches 18 signatures, the school will organise a school-based meeting to discuss our concerns and will ask parents/carers to support the child in being appropriately prepared for school and demonstrate appropriate attitudes to learning. Students are encouraged to take pride in their appearance and have a positive attitude to learning. Failure to produce this card when requested or loss of the card will result in a detention.

* Required equipment = pen, pencil, ruler, rubber, sharpener and appropriate books, PE kit, ingredients for design & technology and a calculator for mathematics.

Uniform Exchange

The school encourages parents/carers to donate good quality secondhand uniform to the school. All enquiries should be made by contacting Student Services on 01376 556300.