

# Uniform Policy

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# **IMPORTANT**

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- **2.** Once downloaded or printed, this is an uncontrolled document. Please refer to the school website for the latest version.
- 3. Sherborne Senior School reserves the right to amend and update this policy at any time.

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# 1. Introduction

At Sherborne Senior School we take great pride in our appearance and see uniform as being an important element of our school and first impression made when conducting yourself in and around school and the wider school community. The good habits learned when taking pride in one's own appearance and being professional in approach will help forge life-long qualities and character which will support our young people when they leave school and enter the world of work and beyond.

The support and guidance that parents provide our young people is invaluable and helps ensure the highest standard of uniform is maintained and that our school community looks its very best at all times.

Our school uniform is supplied by Noble House on Barwa Commercial Avenue. They are open every day from 9.00am to 8.00pm except for Friday when they are closed. Their telephone numbers are 40390264 or 33813328 and email address <a href="mailto:info@noblehouseqatar.com">info@noblehouseqatar.com</a>. You can also order online at <a href="https://noblehouse.ga/index">https://noblehouse.ga/index</a> using the Sherborne School Qatar code: SG0805.

# 2. General Uniform Expectations

Sherborne Senior School holds the following general expectations from all pupils:

- **a.** Dress shirts are expected to be tucked in with top button fastened at all times. Our Muslim pupils who wear hijab are permitted to wear their shirt untucked in respect of cultural sensitivity
- **b.** A tie must be worn at all times with this expectation also shared with pupils wearing hijab
- c. A blazer is expected to be worn during winter months when 'Winter Dress' is announced. This normally takes place for the whole of the second term. There will be an announcement made to indicate the beginning and end of winter dress. During summer months, pupils are permitted to not wear their blazer. The only exception being important formal events or gatherings when the wearing of a blazer is expected
- **d.** Formal black leather shoes must be worn with the only exception being with the approval of a Head of Year and/or the Deputy Head Pastoral. Until such time that approval is issued, pupils are expected to wear their formal black leather shoes
- **e.** All girls from Year 7 11 must wear their hair up and tied back at all times if hair is of shoulder length or beyond
- **f.** Girls may wear one pair of single stud earnings only
- g. Boys are not permitted to wear any form of jewellery
- **h.** All clothing must be loose fitting in respect of cultural sensitivity
- i. The House School tie must be worn to the appropriate length
- j. Hoodies are not permitted with the only exception being the 'Leavers' hoodie
- **k.** During interhouse, pupils are expected to wear their house polo shirt along with combination of other appropriate Physical Education clothing and white socks. Other non-school uniform items are not permitted
- During a school trip or excursion, pupils are expected to wear their school uniform, unless there is a special activity which requires the wearing of alternative clothing, as per the consideration and approval of a member of SLT
- m. No other item/s other than those noted in the School Uniform list may be worn.

# 3. School Uniform Visuals

## a. Year 7 – 11 Day Wear



- 1. Girls must have their hair up and tied back using a hair band at all times.
- 2. White formal dress shirt with school logo. Long sleeve for girls and either long or short sleeve for boys.
- 3. Girls long plain navy-blue skirt which covers the knee when sitting.
- 4. Girls light navy-blue tights.
- 5. Navy-blue school blazer with school logo.
- **6.** House school tie.
- **7.** Plain navy-blue long trousers.
- **8.** Girls may wear short plain navy-blue, black or white socks while boys may wear short navy-blue, black, or dark colour socks.
- 9. Black formal leather school shoes. Sports or any other non-formal footwear are not permitted.

## b. Year 7 – 13 Physical Education / Activity Sportswear



- **1.** Navy-blue PE polo shirt with amber stripe.
- 2. Long navy-blue shorts.
- **3.** Loose navy-blue tracksuit bottoms.
- **4.** Navy-blue zip top with school logo.
- **5.** White socks.

**N.B.** Girls are expected to wear a long sleeve undergarment, underneath their PE polo shirt.

## c. Year 7 – 13 House Polo Shirt



- 1. Orange Cook House
- 2. Purple Cutler House
- 3. Red Ahmed House
- 4. Green Moza House
- 5. Blue Hamad House
- 6. Yellow Copeland House
- N.B. Girls are expected to wear a long sleeve undergarment, underneath their house polo shirt.

# 4. School Uniform List

#### a. Year 7 - 11

## **Boys** Girls **Daily School Uniform** White formal dress shirt with school logo. Long sleeve for Girls and either long or short sleeve for boys. > Long plain navy-blue skirt which covers the Plain navy-blue long trousers. knee when sitting or navy-blue long trousers. House School tie. Navy-blue School blazer with school logo. School navy-blue jumper or cardigan with School navy-blue jumper with school logo. school logo. Short white or navy-blue socks or plain Short plain navy-blue, black, or dark colour navy-blue tights. socks. Black formal leather school shoes. Sports footwear or any other non-formal footwear are

# Physical Education, Sports, and Practical Enrichment Uniform

Navy-blue PE polo shirt with amber stripe.

not permitted. The shoe must be fully black in colour.

Girls are expected to wear a long sleeve undergarment, underneath their PE polo shirt.

Navy-blue long PE shorts or navy-blue tracksuit bottoms.

- School navy-blue zip top with school logo.
- School PE bag.
- White socks worn with appropriate sports footwear.
- Other sports related items such as but is not limited to shin pads, football boots, etc.
- Swimming wear special guidance will be shared by the PE Dept. All pupils must wear a long sleeve shirt such as an appropriate rash vest.
- **N.B.** The PE Dept will provide special guidance as required.

## Some important reminders:

- i. All items must be loose fitting in respect to local cultural sensitivity.
- ii. Girls must wear their hair up and tied back using a hair tie at all times.

#### b. Year 12 & 13 (Sixth Form)

Boys	Girls			
Daily School Uniform				
▶ Plain or pastel coloured shirt with collar.	Plain or pastel coloured shirt or blowse with collar.			
Plain dark coloured suit jacket, the same colour as trousers.	Optional plain dark colour suit jacket, the same colour as trousers or skirt.			
Plain, dark coloured suit trousers, the same colour as jacket.	Plain, dark coloured suit skirt which covers the knee when sitting or long smart trousers. The same colour as jacket if worn.			
A suitable tie of their choosing, Sixth Form tie or School Colours tie.	Girls are not required to wear a tie.			
A plain, non-branded navy-blue or pastel coloured V-necked jumper.				
Short plain navy-blue or black or dark colour socks.	Short plain navy blue, black or dark colour socks or plain black tights.			
▶ Black or brown formal leather school shoes. Sports footwear or any other non-formal				

# PE, Sports, and Practical Enrichment Uniform

Navy-blue PE polo shirt with amber stripe.

footwear are not permitted. The shoe must be fully black or brown in colour.

Girls are expected to wear a long sleeve undergarment, underneath their PE polo shirt.

Navy-blue long PE shorts or navy-blue tracksuit bottoms.

- School navy-blue zip top with school logo.
- School PE bag.
- White socks worn with appropriate sports footwear.
- Other sports related items such as but not limited to shin pads, football boots etc.
- Swimming wear special guidance will be shared by the PE Dept. All pupils must wear a long sleeve shirt such as an appropriate rash vest.
- N.B. The PE Dept will provide special guidance as required.

#### Some important reminders:

- i. Female pupils in the Sixth Form may wear their hair down
- ii. All items must be loose fitting in respect to local cultural sensitivity.

# 5. General Appearance and Make-Up

Sherborne Senior School holds the following general appearance and make-up expectations:

#### a. Make Up

Year 7-9 female pupils and all male pupils are not permitted to wear any make up. Year 10-11 female pupils are permitted to wear a very light application of make-up only. Sixth Form female pupils may wear an appropriate, but not excessive amount of make-up.

#### b. Hair

Hair colour must be natural with no excessive colouring. Haircut and/or style must be suitable with no lines or extreme modifications.

#### c. Other

Any other concern will result in appropriate support, guidance or action being taken.

**N.B.** Any related concern will be resolved in accordance with the 'Uniform Infringement and Response' section along with the School's Culture and Ethos Policy.

# 6. Prohibited Items

Sherborne Senior School does not permit the wearing of the following items:

#### a. OnRunning Sports Shoes

This item is not permitted to be worn as part of the daily school uniform, even if black in colour. It is only permitted to be worn during Physical Education and other practical activities.

## b. Tight Flexible Fabric Trousers

Tight flexible fabric trousers are not permitted. Female pupil daily uniform trousers must be loose fitting and formal, respecting associated cultural sensitivity.

## c. Excess Jewellery

Pupils are not permitted to wear excess jewellery or earrings. Only one pair of stud earrings is permitted for girls.

#### d. Accessories

Pupils are not permitted to wear any form of accessories. School badges being the only exception.

**N.B.** Any related concern will be resolved in accordance with the uniform infringement and response section along with the School's Culture and Ethos Policy.

# 7. Exemptions

In exceptional circumstance, Sherborne Senior School offers the following uniform exemptions:

#### a. Footwear

Due to a medical concern or condition, alternative suitable footwear may be considered. A medical certificate must be provided inclusive of a defined time-period. This will be reviewed termly with a request made for an updated medical certificate, as per the Deputy Head Pastoral's judgment, which may be requested at the beginning of each school term. Supporting guidance and assistance may be sought from the school medical team with any review and approval. Alternative footwear must be fully black in colour, not be a prohibited item, nor have any visible logos. A permission slip will be provided by the Head of Year, with end date recorded for reference.

## b. Injury and/or Other Medical Condition

Due to an injury or medical condition the Head of Year will consult with the school medical team to consider and agree suitable alternative arrangements in support of the child. A medical certificate may be required in support of the review, inclusive of defined time-period. With any allowance, a suitable time-period will be agreed, with this being reviewed upon end date.

Supporting guidance and assistance may be sought from the school medical team with any review and approval.

# 8. Uniform Infringement and Response

Every effort will be made to resolve a concern via the communication of clear guidance and expectations shared with the pupil. Quite often, a concern will easily be resolved with mediation, however a continued trend of concern may result in further action being taken. Support and guidance offered, along with related steps and action taken are as follows:

#### a. Appearance and Make-Up

Any significant concern with appearance such as hair style/cut and/or make-up may result in the pupil being asked to immediately resolve the concern, such as removing excess make-up, before being permitted to enter or remain in the school community. Significant or continued concern may result in parents being contacted and request made that the pupil be immediately collected from school and taken home to resolve the concern. The pupil may not be permitted to return to school until the concern has been resolved.

## b. Uniform Infringement Process and Procedure

#### i. School Arrival

Any concern will be highlighted to the pupil and request shared that a concerted effort is made to resolve the concern. This may be a simple conversation asking that the pupil resolve the concern/s prior to their return to school the following day. An infringement such as but is not limited to the wearing of incorrect footwear, no blazer worn during winter dress or no tie, may result in a request that the pupil immediately contacts home requesting that items be delivered to school. Suitable support will be provided when contacting home. A pupil may be asked to remain in reception until such time that a resolution is agreed, or concern has been resolved.

#### ii. Form Tutor

Tutors will raise and discuss any concern with the pupil to try and resolve the issue, offering clear guidance and support. Tutors may decide to contact parents to make aware of the concern and/or seek support as appropriate.

# iii. 1<sup>st</sup> Warning

The Head of Year will have a conversation with the pupil to try and resolve the concern and come to a suitable agreement. A verbal warning may be issued.

## iv. 2<sup>nd</sup> Warning

Continued concern will result in a formal email being sent to parents by the Head of Year to make aware of the concern along with request made for support to resolve the concern by a stipulated due date.

## v. 3<sup>rd</sup> Warning

Continued concern may result in the pupil being asked to return home immediately to resolve the concern as per guidance provided. A parent meeting invitation will also be shared by the Head of Year. The conclusion of the meeting or concern is expected prior to the pupil being permitted to return to school.

#### vi. Final Warning

Continued concern may require the support and attention of the Deputy Head Pastoral and/or Head Teacher. A behaviour agreement/contract may be considered in support of a suitable resolution.

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