

Wadebridge School

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Dear Parent/Guardian

I am writing to you at this time of year as I am aware this is often when parents start thinking about whether new items of school uniform are required for the next academic year. This letter is just a reminder of our uniform code (which can be seen at the bottom of this letter). Please also refer to our school website to view images of pupils wearing correct uniform.

http://www.wadebridge.cornwall.sch.uk/our-school/uniform-code

In respect to trousers and skirts we have worked with one of our suppliers to identify items that are compliant with our uniform code and have provided links to these items on our website. These items are 'standard' school uniform trousers and skirts that are made of robust materials that do not fade to grey over time. Parents often give us feedback about how difficult it can be to buy a school skirt or trousers on the high street. Whilst these items are not compulsory they are highly recommended and I would encourage parents to consider these items when purchasing new uniform.

Please ensure that you adhere to this information when purchasing uniform as we will be conducting frequent uniform checks in September and enforcing our uniform code. Thank you very much for supporting us in keeping Wadebridge School a 'smart' school.

Yours sincerely

Mr L Bateman

Assistant Headteacher

Uniform Code





School Knitwear

Students have a choice of a jumper, cardigan or tank top all of which have the school badge on. All items are 100% cotton with the fit of the jumpers being different for boys and girls. These items are all available from our supplier Wovina in Bodmin. The uniform can be ordered on-line at www.wovina.com, or by post using the Uniform Order Form which is available on the school website or from the school reception, or by telephoning Wovina direct on 01208 73484.

School Ties

Year 7 - 10 continue to use the Wadebridge School Tie (available from Wovina and from School priced at £3.75), but Year 11 have a special tie which is voted for by the year group, the sales of which contribute to the students' prom fund. The Year 11 tie is only available from School and is issued to students at the beginning of September. Replacement ties are also available from the School office. We are very proud of our students and their achievements, and occasionally other ties (such as county awards) are permitted, but this will need to be discussed with the Key Stage Leader.

Our Year 7 to 10 ties are sold by Wovina and are of a clip-on style. Year 11 students will purchase their tie direct from the school at the beginning of the new school year.



Shirts

These need to be proper shirts and not polo shirts. They should be white and of an appropriate length (i.e. no midriffs on show) and should certainly not have a plunging neck line. Girls' shirts still need to allow a tie to be worn sensibly.

Trousers & Skirts

Boys continue to wear black trousers and girls either black trousers or skirts. Items are expected to be black and remain black not fading to grey over time. Black jeans, black chinos, leggings, jeggings or shorts are not suitable and skirts must be of a decent length. If you are buying stretchy, tighter, fitted style skirts, please bear in mind that these have a tendency to 'ride up' during the day. Skirts are not acceptable if they continue to sit at an inappropriate height. To help parents and carers with the

purchase of acceptable trousers or skirts the school in partnership with our PE supplier has set out a range of trouser or skirt options that are 'school approved'. Click on any of the links below and you will be taken to that item.

Boys

- 1. David Luke DL959 slim fit flat front trousers
- 2. David Luke DL957 regular fit pleat trousers
- 3. Winterbottom Slim Fit trousers

Girls

- 4. Charlestown Skirt
- 5. David Luke DL972 stitched down knife pleat skirt
- 6. David Luke DL969 straight skirt
- 7. Honiton straight skirt
- 8. Winterbottom slim fit trousers
- 9. David Luke DL965 slim fit trousers



Footwear

Trainers are acceptable, but they must be totally black (i.e. no white bits). Boots of any description are not suitable footwear for school.

To help ensure that our school remains a 'smart' school we have introduced a new procedure for when pupils are without their normal school shoes. Pupils who arrive to school without the correct footwear will need to report to Mr Bateman's office before school with a note explaining their reasons for not having the correct shoes. They will then be loaned a black pair of shoes for the day and leave their shoes which they can collect at the end of the school day.

If a pupil arrives without a note from home, they will be informed that this is required for the next day and they will be loaned a pair of shoes. If a note does not arrive the following day and the pupil is still wearing inappropriate footwear, then they will again be loaned a pair of shoes but will also be required to undertake a community activity, such as litter duty during morning break, as a gentle reminder to bring a note the following day. Any given note will only be valid for 5 days and a new note will be required at the end of each 5 day period, for which correct school shoes are unavailable.

Jewellery, Hair and Makeup

Students are permitted to wear one pair of studded earrings, one in each ear. No other piercings are permitted, facial or otherwise. Spacers are not permitted.

Students may wear a timepiece on their preferred wrists. Bangles, bracelets etc. are not permitted.

Students should have hair of a natural colour and extreme hair styles are not permitted.

Make up should be subtle and not excessive; nail polish is not permitted.