



# Uniform Policy

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### **Uniform Expectations for Years 7 - 11**

Full and correct uniform is expected at all times and should be worn in an appropriate manner. All items of uniform should be clearly named.

- Black Wadebridge School jumper/cardigan with embroidered Wadebridge School logo to be worn at all assemblies/formal occasions, unless given permission by staff to remove.
- White shirt/blouse (long or short sleeved). Students may not wear visible t-shirts underneath their shirt/blouse. Shirts must be buttoned up to the collar and tucked into trousers. Shirt collars must be worn turned down.
- Black and gold striped school clip on tie (or Year 11 formal tie for Year 11 students only).
- Black tailored and formal trousers with only one button fastener visible. No decorative buttons, labels, buckles, patched/cargo pockets or fashion zips. Skinny trousers, jeggings, leggings, chinos, skate style fashion trousers or jeans are not permitted. Trousers must be full length.
- Black tailored skirt; no rolling or tucking in of the skirt is permitted. No lycra/stretchy material skirts. All skirts should be tailored with a hem that falls no higher than 5cm above the student's knee. The three permitted styles are illustrated in Appendix A.
- Black tailored shorts. No lycra/sports shorts. No decorative buttons, labels, buckles, patched/cargo pockets or fashion zips. All shorts should be tailored with a hem that falls no higher than 5cm above the student's knee.
- Shoes should be black. Trainers are acceptable, but they must be totally black (i.e. no white bits including soles). Boots of any description are not suitable footwear for school.
- Black socks and black tights only. No trainer socks and socks must be below the knee.
- Students are permitted to wear studded earrings – in their ears only. Hoops/stretch/dangly earrings are not permitted.
- Subtle, stud only facial piercings are permitted. No hoops/stretch/bar piercings are permitted.
- Necklaces/Bracelets/Bangles/Rings/Anklets may not be worn to school.
- Excessive make-up is not to be worn; all make-up should be minimal.
- Nail varnish and/or nail extensions; natural or nude coloured nails only. Nails to not be of excessive length.
- No extremes of hair style or colour, including facial hair (natural hair colours), at the discretion of the school, unless agreed on religious, cultural, ethnic, or medical grounds.
- Plain black belts may be worn through belt loops on trousers. Buckles on belts to be plain and small in size.
- Outdoor coat/jacket, hoodies, hats and bandanas not to be worn inside the classroom.
- A bag is required for carrying books. This should be able to comfortably fit an A4 folder.

### **Equipment**

Equipment is also an important part of the school day and as such the following items are compulsory:

#### **Essential items:**



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- Suitable school bag (to hold A4 books and folders)
- Black or blue pen (at least two recommended)
- Pencils
- Ruler
- Pencil case
- Calculator
- Reading book
- Student folder (school will issue first folder)

#### **Recommended items:**

- Rubber
- Water bottle (recommended, not compulsory)
- Highlighters
- Any other appropriate stationery to support learning
- Reading ruler (school will issue first ruler)

#### **PE Kit**

Compulsory Item (from school supplier):

- Wadebridge yellow PE shirt (purchased through Proserve). All styles of Hummel and the new Falcon shirts are acceptable.

Compulsory Items (any supplier):

- Black shorts, trousers or leggings; These should have minimal logos and be appropriate for physical activity, including adequate coverage and extend to at least the mid-thigh.
- Short socks; all black or white trainer style socks can be worn for the majority of PE activities.
- Long black socks are required for Football and Rugby lessons.

Additional Items (from school supplier):

- Wadebridge Hoodies and 1/4 Zip Tops are permitted in all P.E. lessons. Any hoodie/jumper must be embroidered / printed with school logo and to be worn over a yellow PE top for lessons.

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- All students must have PE kit for all PE Lessons.
- If students do not have appropriate PE Kit, they will be given kit from PE supplies to borrow so they can participate in the lesson.



- A Class Charts negative will be awarded if a student fails to bring kit to school for lessons (*Responsibility – Lack of Equipment P.E. Kit*).
- Additional support will be offered to students and parents/carers if a student persistently forgets their PE Kit.
- Students who are unable to participate in PE for medical reasons must provide parental/carers contact via email/telephone/written note.
- All students are still required to bring their kit and change as they can assist with other elements of the lesson.
- No jewellery may be worn during PE lessons. Students are required to take out studded earrings or cover these with tape for P.E. lessons.
- Students must wear their hair tied back in order to follow health and safety regulations for the subject.
- Students are encouraged to bring a water bottle to PE lessons, especially during warm weather.
- Students will be able to wear appropriate clothing during hot/cold weather:
  - Hats/gloves during cold weather
  - Underlayers or jumpers under yellow Wadebridge PE top
  - Sun Hats/Caps during sunny weather

### **Banned Items**

All our students must be safe and have high standards of dress at all times. For these reasons, the following items are not permitted and should not be worn or bought to the school. Students will be asked to remove all items of incorrect uniform, and where feasible, items will be confiscated, e.g. energy drinks.

- Jewellery; rings/bangles/bracelets/anklets/necklaces/dangly earrings/stretchers/hooped piercings
- Excessive make-up; all make-up should be minimal.
- Any clothing with inappropriate logos
- Laser pens
- Energy/fizzy drinks/cafeine drinks
- Drinks in glass bottles
- Chewing gum

If a student is using chewing gum, they will be asked to place in the nearest bin by a member of staff.

Uniform checks are conducted every morning at the school entrances, during the Wadebridge Welcome, tutorial and throughout the day by staff welcoming students into and on exit of their lessons.

Students with shirts untucked, skirts rolled/tucked or wearing incorrect jewellery will be given a '*Responsibility - Uniform Reset*' negative via Class Charts and asked to reset their uniform. Students persistently not complying with the uniform expectations during the school day will receive a 10-minute detention at break or lunchtime.

### **Role of Wadebridge School Staff**



- To ensure that students are in correct uniform and challenge any infringements.
- The tutor will speak to students who do not wear the correct uniform during the Wadebridge Welcome and in tutorial, and will support the student accordingly to reset uniform and may communicate home with parents/carers. Students will be referred to their Year Team and supported to borrow the correct uniform if required.
- Teachers will check uniform upon entry/exit from every lesson and ensure it meets the school uniform policy. Students will be sanctioned via class charts if there is a uniform infringement.
- Teachers will also sanction any student outside of lessons via Class Charts with a uniform infringement.

### **Role of Parents and Carers**

- To ensure that their child/children adhere to the school's uniform policy and that they come to school in full and correct uniform everyday unless there are special circumstances, such as a non-uniform day.
- To ensure that their child/children have all Wadebridge equipment for the school day.
- To fully support the school in sanctioning students as per the uniform policy.

### **Equalities**

All children have equal access to wearing school uniform regardless of their culture, race, religion, gender, disability or ability. We ensure that the set uniform respects other policies such as Equalities and allows for individual sets of circumstances of all groups and individuals.

Wadebridge School is committed to creating a positive climate that will enable everyone to work free from intimidation and harassment and to achieve their full potential.



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### Appendix A

Wadebridge School permitted skirt style – 3 styles (does not have to include the embroidered school emblem).

