

Uniform Policy

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At Chatham & Clarendon Grammar School we believe that students achieve best in a purposeful and calm environment and that teaching and learning are of prime importance. However, students' attitudes to education and learning are vital and in this respect we believe that the wearing of school uniform supports the development of a positive approach to learning.

Chatham & Clarendon Grammar School has a uniform so that all students develop a sense of identity with the school and can be proud of their appearance. Students should wear their uniform with pride and their appearance should be neat and tidy. Students are to travel to and from school in the correct uniform and to wear it appropriately during the school day and at school events. Our school uniform policy requires the full support of parents and the Home School Agreement between the school, parents and students makes it clear that parents are obliged to provide and encourage the wearing of school uniform as set out below:

Boys Years 7 - 9

COMPULSORY

- Green Blazer with CCGS crest
- Black plain tailored trousers
- White Shirt long or short sleeved (to be tucked in at all times)
- School tie. County, Club or Colours etc ties to be worn ONLY with permission from Senior Tutor, Deputy Headteacher or Headteacher.
- Black socks
- Black polishable shoes of a conventional and <u>formal</u> style, i.e. Brogue, Loafer, Slip On, Derby, Dr Marten Shoes. No Leisure shoes, trainers or canvas shoes i.e. Vans, Adidas, Nike etc. Boots are also **not** permitted

OPTIONAL

 Green jumper or sleeveless jumper with CCGS crest – NO cardigans

Girls Years 7 - 9

COMPULSORY

- Green Blazer with CCGS crest
- Bottle Kelso Tartan Kilt* or
- Black plain tailored trousers
- White open neck blouse (revere collar type).
 Long or short sleeved and to be tucked in when wearing trousers
- Black plain knit opaque tights or white or black ankle socks. No patterned tights
- Black, low heeled, polishable shoes of a conventional and <u>formal</u> style, i.e. Brogue, Loafer, Slip On, T-Bar, Mary Jane, Dr Marten shoes. No leisure shoes trainers, or canvas shoes i.e. Vans, Adidas, Nike etc. Boots, sling-backs, stilettos or sandals are also not permitted

*for Year 9 from September 2019

OPTIONAL

 Green jumper or sleeveless jumper with CCGS crest - NO cardigans

Boys Years 10 & 11

COMPULSORY

- Black fitted jacket with CCGS crest
- Black plain tailored trousers
- White shirt long or short sleeved
- School tie. County, Club or Colours etc ties to be worn ONLY with permission from Senior Tutor, Deputy Headteacher or Headteacher.
- Black socks
- Black polishable shoes of a conventional and formal style i.e. Brogue, Loafer, Slip On, Derby, Dr Marten shoes. No Leisure shoes, trainers or canvas shoes i.e. Vans. Adidas. Nike etc. Boots are also **not** permitted

OPTIONAL

Black jumper or sleeveless jumper with CCGS crest

Girls Years 10 & 11

COMPULSORY

- Black fitted jacket with CCGS crest
- Black drop waist skirt Year 11 only
- Bottle Kelso Tartan Kilt Year 10* only and/or
- Black plain tailored trousers
- White blouse revere collar type, long or short sleeved and to be tucked in when wearing trousers
- Black **plain** knit opaque tights or white or black ankle socks. No patterned tights
- Black, low heeled, polishable shoes of a conventional and formal style, i.e. Broque, Loafer, Slip-On, T-Bar, Mary Jane, Dr Marten shoes. No leisure shoes, trainers, or canvas shoes, i.e. Vans, Adidas, Nike etc., Boots, sling-backs, stilettos or sandals are also **not** permitted

*from September 2019

OPTIONAL

Black jumper or sleeveless jumper with CCGS

The school uniform can be purchased from: Riggers, Cliftonville; The Schoolwear Centre, Margate; Barnums, Herne Bay.

PE Kit Year 7-9: Boys

COMPULSORY

Items below are available from ambitionsport.com

- CCGS sport reversible polo top (green with House colour)
- ADVISED DUE TO RUGBY SPECIFIC STRENGTH: CCGS reversible rugby shirt (green with House colour)
- CCGS sports shorts (or plain black)

5" length), plain black leggings or plain

with House colour)

PE Kit Year 7-9: Girls

Items below can be purchased from any supplier

Items below are available from ambitionsport.com

One of the following - CCGS skort

CCGS reversible sport polo top (green

(longer length), plain black shorts (min

Knee length sports socks (black)

black tracksuit bottoms.

- Sport appropriate shoes
- Studded boots
- Shin guards

COMPULSORY

*Mouth guard for hockey

Items below can be purchased from any supplier Knee length sports socks (black)

- Sport appropriate shoes
- Studded boots
- Shin quards
- *Mouth guard for rugby & hockey

OPTIONAL

Items below are available from ambitionsport.com

- CCGS sports shower/training jacket
- CCGS sports jumper
- CCGS tracksuit bottoms for boys
- CCGS cricket shirt
- CCGS base laver top

The following item can be purchased from any supplier

- Base layer top (plain black)
- Tracksuit bottoms (plain black)

OPTIONAL

Items below are available from ambitionsport.com

- CCGS sports shower/training jacket
- CCGS sports jumper
- CCGS tracksuit bottoms for girls
- CCGS base layer top

The following item can be purchased from any

- Base layer top (plain black)
- Sport leggings/tracksuit bottoms (plain black)

* The PE Department have 'mouldable' mouth guards available from the PE office.

PE Kit Years 10 & 11: Boys

COMPULSORY

Items below are available from ambitionsport.com

- CCGS polo top
- CCGS shorts or plain black

Items below can be purchased from any supplier

- Sport appropriate shoes
- Knee length socks (black)
- Studded boots
- Shin guards
- *Mouth guard for rugby & hockey

OPTIONAL

Items below are available from ambitionsport.com

- CCGS sport reversible polo top (green with House colour)
- CCGS sports shower/training jacket
- CCGS sports hoodie
- CCGS tracksuit bottoms for boys
- CCGS cricket shirt
- CCGS base layer top
- Other jumper from school trips with school logo clearly visible

The following item can be purchased from any supplier

- Base layer top (black)
- Tracksuit bottoms (plain black)

PE Kit Years 10 & 11: Girls

COMPULSORY

Items below are available from ambitionsport.com

- CCGS polo top
- One of the following CCGS skort (longer length), plain black shorts (min 5" length), plain black leggings or plain black tracksuit bottoms.

Items below can be purchased from any supplier

- Knee length socks (black)
- Sport appropriate shoes (studded boots if choosing rugby/football in games options)
- Shin guards
- *Mouth guard for hockey

OPTIONAL

Items below are available from ambitionsport.com

- CCGS sport reversible polo top (green with House colour)
- CCGS sports shower/training jacket
- CCGS sports hoodie
- CCGS tracksuit bottoms for girls
- CCGS base layer top
- Other jumper from school trips with school logo clearly visible

The following items can be purchased from any supplier

- Base layer top (plain black)
- Sport leggings (plain black)
- Tracksuit bottoms (plain black)

Security passes and lanyards – these are issued by the school and to be worn at all times as they form part of the uniform. Lanyards will be the issued House colour and no other.

Food Technology – a clean, plain WHITE apron to be provided and worn at each Food Technology lesson.

Science – a white lab coat or overall may be provided and worn, but it is <u>not</u> essential. Should one be provided it is advisable to wash it on a regular basis, preferably once a week, and more importantly it is washed separately from all other clothing.

Safety glasses <u>must be worn</u> for practical science. Safety glasses are provided from the Science Department.

Outdoor Coat – Leather, plastic/PVC or denim jackets are not allowed. Coats, hats, scarves and gloves should not be worn in school. 'Hoodies'/sweatshirts of any description do Uniform Policy – November 2023

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^{*} The PE Department have 'mouldable' mouth guards available to buy from the PE office.

not qualify as a coat and will be confiscated.

Trousers – drill cotton, jeans style, combat trousers or lycra type material are not permitted. Students are not to wear decorative belts. The leg of the trouser must not be too wide or too narrow and should come down to the ankle. Cropped trousers and shorts are not permitted.

Shirts - must be tucked into trousers

Blouses – must be tucked in when wearing trousers

Cardigans – Years 7-9 are **NOT** permitted to wear cardigans of ANY colour/description with or without CCGS crest. Years 10 and 11 - only black cardigans with the CCGS crest are permitted.

Skirt – The school kilt should not be altered in length, nor should it be 'let out' to widen the waist. If the length of the kilt compromises decency the school reserves the right to send students home to change.

Shoes – low/no heeled <u>formal</u> black shoes which can be polished. No Leisure shoes, trainers or canvas shoes, i.e. Vans, Adidas, Nike etc. Boots of any type, sling-backs, stilettos or sandals are also **not** permitted.

Make-up - should be subtle – students will be asked to remove excessive makeup. NO false eyelashes.

Nail varnish - is not permitted. NO false nails.

Hair – a student's haircut is a very important part of their presentation. The school will usually not accept students having extreme haircuts. The school respects the fact that children of certain religious faiths might wear their hair in accordance with the requirements of their faith.

Hair should be a colour which is naturally occurring. Students should not have unnatural hair colours e.g. blue, green, red, purple, pink. Hair should **not** be two-tone and colour change should appear natural.

Shoulder length hair should be tied back for practical lessons. Under normal circumstances hair should be off the face.

The school reserves the right to send students with extreme hairstyles or extreme hair colour home until the hair is an acceptable style/colour.

Hairbands/ribbons should be **plain** black, green or white. NO adornments.

Religious Headwear – headwear will only be allowed on religious and cultural grounds and should be plain black, green or white.

Jewellery & Piercings - Students may wear a wristwatch. Students may wear one pair of stud earrings, (one in each ear lobe), but NOT ear stretchers or plastic retainers. The only other jewellery allowed is one of a religious symbol worn as a sign of faith, and/or 'medicalert' piece of jewellery but neither must be visible. All jewellery must be removed for PE. Any inappropriate jewellery will be confiscated and handed into the Head of House at the Lower School and reception at the Upper School and its return negotiated with Head of House or Senior Tutor. Students are not allowed any form of facial or body piercing with the exception of a pair of stud earrings but NOT ear stretchers. Plastic retainers are only allowed at the discretion of the Headteacher and only for a limited period of time. Students who violate these rules can expect to be sent home until the piercing is removed

and the school reserve the right to exclude.

(Jewellery and piercings section merged, by request of Senior Tutor)

Summer Uniform – during the very hot weather the Headteacher or Deputy Headteacher may allow summer uniform to be worn. This means that whilst in school, students may have the top button of their shirt undone, wear no tie and wear a short sleeved shirt. The short sleeved shirt must have a firm collar, which takes a tie when needed, i.e. it should not be a polo shirt. Shirts must be tucked in. NB if the weather is not considered warm enough for just the summer uniform then FULL uniform is to be worn. The blazer <u>always</u> takes precedence over a jumper or cardigan. Under no circumstances should non uniform items (i.e. hoodies) be worn in place of the blazer.

Parental Support - the enforcement of the uniform policy is effective given parental support and all parents are asked to provide this. Parents who might find it difficult to fund the cost of some uniform because of financial difficulties are asked to contact the Headteacher, Deputy Headteacher or the Finance Manager.

Students not complying with the uniform policy can expect to be sent home to change into correct uniform in the first instance. The school has the right to exclude a student for uniform offences where the breaches of the school uniform policy are defiant and persistent.

6th Form Dress Code

The 6th Form Dress code is simple enough to follow. However, should any student be unsure of whether what they intend to wear follows the rules, they may contact us.

Trouser DRESS CODE:

- Black/dark grey plain or non-patterned trousers (NOT DENIM, LEATHER or jeans-style cut) no shorts, leggings or cropped trousers.
- White shirt, tucked in, with 6th Form tie and top button done up properly; ties such as House colours, County colours etc. can only be worn if agreed by the 6th Form leadership beforehand.
- A suit or dark sports jacket (**compulsory**.)
- Plain, smart black or dark brown shoes not trainers or scruffy footwear.

Skirt/dress DRESS CODE:

- Either black/dark grey plain, non-patterned trousers (NOT DENIM, LEATHER or jeans-style cut) or plain skirt of moderate length in same colours no shorts, leggings or cropped trousers. White shirt/blouse that must be deemed to be smart by 6th Form leadership (in line with nationally accepted office dress codes, the top button(s) of this garment may be open, but must not challenge taste or decency!). The garment must have a collar.
- SEE-THROUGH GARMENTS ARE NOT TO BE WORN
- Plain, smart black or dark brown shoes not trainers or scruffy footwear. Boots and other footwear not normally worn with smart clothes must be approved by 6th Form leadership before being worn.
- Plain pullover in grey, dark green or black (V or crew neck); plain grey, dark green or black cardigan if deemed to be smart by 6th Form leadership.
- As the 6th Form dress-code is intended to be smart, wearing of suits or black dresses is encouraged too. If a smart business suit or a dark grey or black dress is being worn, the rule on shirts requiring a collar will not apply.
- All skirts or dresses must be of reasonable length if unsure, check with 6th Form leadership before a skirt or dress is bought. Students may be asked to go and change their attire if it they are deemed to be flouting the dress code.
- Hijabs are acceptable; should you be concerned about patterns & colours, see the 6th Form leadership team.
- Students who are deemed to be scruffy will be told how they are to improve their appearance!

Jewellery guidelines for all students:

- Not more than one stud piercing is allowed in each ear. NO ear stretchers or plastic retainers.
- Not more than one ring (which must be deemed acceptable by 6th Form leadership).
- Facial or body piercings are unacceptable (for health and safety reasons).
- Only one small necklace that is unlikely to become caught is permissible.
- No bracelets (for health and safety reasons).

Exceptions may be made to the above rules if a student can show that there are religious or medical reasons for such attire.

Expectations

Students in the 6th Form are expected to set an example to students in all year groups. Prefects in particular are expected to help to uphold uniform and dress code rules across the school.

In line with sanctions that would be found in countless workplaces, should a 6th former not try and keep his/her appearance smart and in line with the Dress Code, then it shall become a matter for the 6th Form leaders to deal with.

All staff and senior prefects are asked to ensure that students are in correct attire, and should refer any obstructive Year 12s or 13s to the 6th Form leaders.