

Norwich School Appearance and Uniform Guidance 2023-24

We believe in the principle of a school uniform, in that it helps each pupil navigate the school's routines, while feeling connected to our community. In general, clothing, shoes, hair, make-up and jewellery will be safe, smart and appropriate for a busy school day and our large site.

Practicalities

The school has two uniforms, the 'Tie Uniform' and the 'Pin Uniform', these can be purchased from School Blazer at www.schoolblazer.com.

FONS also run a very useful and well stocked second-hand shop based in 71 The Close, and regularly communicate with the community around opening times.

Specific Guidance Uniform

- Blazers should be worn when moving around the site unless permission is granted in the event of hot weather.
- Shirts should be tucked in; top buttons done up; ties and pins worn.
- Skirts should be an appropriate length for the school environment, blue blazer skirts near the knee.
- Only V-neck jumpers or cardigans may be worn under the blazer school branded, or a V-neck jumper or cardigan of a single, dark colour: grey, navy blue, burgundy or black.
- Coats should be predominantly a single, dark colour: grey, navy, black or dark green. They should be simple, with minimal branding.
- Shoes should be black, flat and polishable.
- Norwich School Games kit should be worn for timetabled sessions or with permission.
- Pupils must have their school ID card with them on site.

Appearance

- Jewellery should be minimal, understated and appropriate for personal safety. Earrings should be small and discreet in the 4th and 5th Forms. No other visible piercings. All jewellery should be removable.
- Make-up should be subtle and appropriate for the school environment.
- Hair should be tidy and out of the eyes. Hair dye or highlights should be natural in colour. Long hair should be tied back for Games, in the workshop and Science labs. We subscribe to the recommendations made in the Halo Code regarding Afro-textured hair.

We do not expect any aspect of a pupil's appearance to draw particular attention. All staff will use their discretion and professional judgment and pupils will be spoken to if there are concerns. Where pupils present a significant or persistent disregard for these guidelines, they can expect sanctions to be applied.

We will support pupils with aspects of their appearance that are required for reasons of religious observance.

The decision of the Principal Deputy Head is final in all matters of school uniform and appearance.