

Our ref SC/JD

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Dear parents and carers,

We believe that it is an essential part of the ethos and discipline structure that all pupils in Years 7 to 11 manage the way in which they present themselves and comply with the school uniform requirements. We are very proud of our community at Tanfield School and want all of our young people to show that they are too, by wearing our uniform with pride.

We have noticed that a small minority of pupils are not complying with our very high expectations in terms of the uniform and we would greatly appreciate it if you would support us by ensuring your child adheres to the school's uniform policy.

From September 6 2017, we expect all pupils to be in correct uniform. If they are not, we will be contacting you to either bring the correct uniform in, or allow us to send your child home to correct their uniform. If neither of these are possible, we will isolate your child until the issue is resolved.

The school uniform requirements are below for your reference (photographic examples are on a separate sheet):

ALL PUPILS	DETAILS	HOW TO WEAR THE SCHOOL UNIFORM
Blazer	Black school blazer with pre-embroidered school badge – purchase online	Sleeves must be worn at full length (not pushed back)
Jumper (optional)	Black school jumper with pre-embroidered badge only – purchase online	No hooded tops, sweatshirts, cardigans or tracksuit tops
Shirt	Plain white traditional school shirt with collar	Ensure that collar button is fastened at all times No coloured vests beneath shirts No fashion shirts/blouses Shirts must be tucked into trousers or skirt
Tie	Clip on school tie – purchase online Y11 tie – purchase online	Ties must show at least 15 stripes Ties must show at least 5 badges
Trousers	Plain black, tailored school trousers only – purchase online	No jeans, flares, baggy, bootleg, hipsters, leggings, low slung, skinny or tight fitting trousers No accessories such as buckles or laces etc.

Skirt	Plain black tailored or pleated skirt – purchase online	Skirt should be knee length. No slits or vents above the knee No lycra or figure hugging material
Tights	Plain black	No pattern
Shoes	Plain black leather (or leather in appearance) sensible school shoes. Must not be two toned, striped, fashioned or overtly branded	Heels of 1 inch max No trainers or trainer style shoes No flip flops, sandals, plimsolls , backless shoes, 'Uggs' or similar Trousers should be worn over shoes
School bag	Essential, minimum size to hold a folder	
Makeup	Years 7 – 9 No makeup of any description should be worn in school. Years 10 – 11 Light make up only	No nail varnish No false nails
Jewellery	A watch is allowed No other jewellery is to be worn Plain hairbands only	No earrings and no expanders No other visible piercings No rings No bracelets

The most frequent uniform infringement has been the wearing of trainers. All pupils are expected to wear plain black leather (or leather in appearance) sensible **school shoes**. I have given examples of shoes that are and are not acceptable for school.

If you are unsure whether a particular pair of shoes or item of clothing is acceptable, please do get in touch. I realise that these can be costly items and we don't want you to waste money on items that your child will not be able to wear in school. We also have financial support for those families who may be struggling to supply their child with the correct uniform.

Should you have any other questions, please do get in touch.

Yours sincerely,



Mr S Clough
Headteacher



Acceptable School Shoes

All black leather shoes only



Non Acceptable School Shoes

Canvas, trainers, pumps, vans

