

# **Uniform & Appearance Policy**

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# Section 1

# 1.1 Suppliers

Braunton Academy uniform policy requires that the items listed below (1.3) should be purchased for all students. The majority of uniform and PE items are available from our school uniform suppliers. Please note some items may be unbranded and purchased from anywhere (apart from the PE polo top / T-shirt/1/4 zip jumper, uniform jumper, and blazer) to help with costs but they must be compliant with the school uniform policy.

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# 1.2 General

The school expects and encourages every student to always look smart. The uniform is both reasonable and smart and aims to:

- Create a level playing field among students, reducing peer pressure and bullying, keeping students focused on education
- Enhance school pride, unity, and community spirit

Students are expected to present with: natural and tidy hair, no extreme styles, or colours. Nails must be short and may have natural looking nail varnish including French tips. Acrylic nails are not allowed. Natural and discreet makeup foundation is acceptable. It is the school's judgement on whether these and all uniform expectations have been met. If in any doubt always check with your students Tutor and/or Head of Year before making any changes. It is vital for all property to be clearly marked with the student's name. In this way, lost property can be traced.

# 1.3 School Uniform Items

All students must have a strong and sturdy school bag.

• All years - Maroon or grey jumper with the Braunton Academy logo – This must be worn all day apart from on hot summer days. Communication will be given in advance directly from the Senior leadership team to parents/carers.

- Years 10 & 11 Only Black blazer with the Braunton Academy logo This must be worn all day apart from on hot summer days. Communication will be given in advance directly from the Senior leadership team to parents/carers.
- Years 10 & 11 Also have the option of wearing a maroon or grey jumper with the Braunton Academy logo underneath their Blazer. In this case, both the jumper and blazer must be worn together. The jumper must not be a replacement for the blazer.
- Formal white shirt short or long sleeved.
- Tie with house colour stripes (Croyde Yellow, Putsborough Green, Saunton Red and Woolacombe blue).
- Plain Black smart loose or slim fit trousers or shorts (Not jeans or chino style trousers or cargo style).
- Plain Black skirt. Skirts are to be worn no shorter than the mid-thigh.
- Black socks or natural/black tights (if wearing socks with tights, they must both be black).
- Plain black trainers or shoes. Trainers worn for PE must be a sports style trainer which must also be different to school shoes for hygiene purposes.
- Hijabs (if worn) to be black or cream. They must be plain; no patterns or tassels.

# Note: Please ensure that NAMES are put into the garments to reduce lost kit

# 1.4 Jewellery

Jewellery is limited to the following;

- One plain watch (No smart watches)
- One small stud per ear in the ear lobe

All the above, if worn will need to be removable for practical subjects.

- No piercings other than one small stud per ear in the ear lobe are acceptable.
- Nose and tongue studs are not permitted. Students will be asked to remove them.
- Necklaces & bracelets are not permitted. Students will be asked to remove them.
- Items of jewellery not permitted in this uniform and appearance policy will be confiscated.

#### 1.5 Footwear

All students are to wear plain black trainers or shoes: boots are NOT allowed. Trainers worn for PE must be different to school shoes for hygiene purposes. Any colour other than black for the soles may not be worn. Socks must be black. An alternative would

be black- or natural-coloured tights. If wearing socks with tights they must both be black.

# 1.6 Outerwear

Outer jackets (with a full front zip i.e. not a hoodie) may be worn when travelling to school in inclement weather but should be in addition to, and not a replacement for the school jumper and/or blazer. Hooded sweatshirts or tracksuit tops that cover the uniform are not appropriate outer coats. During the hot summer months, when school leaders inform students, jumpers and/or blazers do not need to be worn to school but must be brought in. This should be communicated to all parents/carers and students.

# 1.7 Additional guidance

- Extremes of hairstyle are unacceptable. These include unnatural colours (for example extreme blonde/red/plum/purple tinted); two tone/dip dyed hair; or distinct sharp changes in length of hair are also not acceptable. Hair length must be No1 or above.
- It is only appropriate for discreet make-up to be worn to school. No coloured nails or acrylic nails are permissible or any nails that are of an inappropriate length. False eyelashes are not permitted. Eyeliner 'flicks' are also not permitted.
- Socks must be a plain black without any logos.
- Students caught in contravention of the guidance, without good reason, will be either sent home to change, placed into the Academy's 'Reflection Room' or a request will be made to parents to bring appropriate uniform into school. Students will stay in the 'Reflection Room' until the uniform is correct.
- If a student continues to refuse to cooperate, then further consequences may be applied which include further internal exclusions, suspensions and may lead to a permanent exclusion.
- If individual students have a religious belief that conflicts with our policy, please contact the school for further discussion.

# 1.8 Sensory uniform

We understand that some students may require a reasonable adjustment around sensory needs, and we will always work with parents/carers around this. Please see below websites that provide sensory-friendly uniforms to help ease any concerns they may have.

- <u>Kids' Adaptive Clothing at M&S</u>
- <u>https://autismsuppliesanddevelopments.com/sensory-clothing/</u>
- <u>https://price-buckland.co.uk/secondary-school-trousers/</u>
- <u>https://price-buckland.co.uk/secondary-shirts-blouses/</u>

# 1.9 Uniform concessions

For parents/carers in receipt of benefits, a concession on a uniform purchased from <u>Broken</u>. Please contact the Academy to find out how to access this concession or follow this link <u>94e8e7 373015a51ccb4db685d7a2b7688f2ce0.pdf</u> to find out if this applies to you (you must provide documentary evidence).

#### 1.10 Uniform Consequences

We understand that there are times when there are genuine reasons why a child does not have the correct uniform. We ask that when this happens parents communicate with school by providing a note or send an email <u>admin@braunton.academy</u> to explain the issue and when it will be resolved.

To support students that have lost/forgotten items of uniform, students can borrow uniform items for the day from our Pastoral Support team.

Where a student is deliberately breaking the school uniform policy, demerits will be issued which will lead to either a:

- Pastoral break time detention in room 2. (10.45-11.05am). or
- Reflection room until the students' uniform can be rectified dependent on the level of the uniform breach and if it impacts on health and safety e.g. jewellery in practical lessons.

# Section 2

# 2.0 PE Kit

Braunton Academy prides itself on its well-earned reputation as being a county leader in sports activities and excellence. Well-presented students are a source of pride on public display and in lessons.

#### Compulsory

- Suitable sports trainers. Trainers worn for PE must be different to school shoes for hygiene purposes.
- White ankle length socks or burgundy football socks.
- Plain black shorts of appropriate length/sports leggings/tracksuit bottoms. No large logos, writing shades and colours other than black.

- Burgundy polo/T-shirt with the Braunton Academy logo.
- Football boots (Rubber moulded studs/blades) for the AGP at all times in their bags. See further guidance
- Hair band for long hair.
- Towel.

# Optional

•  $\frac{1}{4}$  zip training top in black with the Braunton Academy logo.

#### Sport-Specific Clothing and Equipment

Please note that you will also sometimes require sport-specific clothing and equipment for certain activities.

- Shin pads.
- Gum shield (available from the PE office at cost).

#### Not Allowed

- Jewellery (fitness tracking watches are only allowed when taking part in individual aerobic exercises when instructed by the class teacher).
- Nike Pro 3"/7.5cm shorts (or any other branded shorts of similar length).
- Large logos/lettering.
- School shoes/Vans/Converse/Nike Air Force Ones.

# 2.1 PE Kit Consequences

- Demerit: If a student forgets to bring the correct PE kit and/or equipment to school, they will receive a demerit
- 2 x PE kit demerits in a term will trigger a department break time detention in the Sports Hall.
- 3 x PE kit demerits in a term will trigger a department after school detention in the Sports Hall (3.15-4.15pm).
- 4 x Final warning.
- 5+ x PE kit demerits in a term will trigger a Head of Department after school detention in the Sports Hall (3.15-4.15pm).

# Section 3

#### 3.1 Equipment

Braunton Academy provides a student equipment list for several important reasons:

- Preparation: Ensures students have all the necessary tools and materials to participate fully in their classes and activities.
- Organisation: Helps students stay organised and manage their equipment effectively throughout the school year.
- Consistency: Ensures all students have access to the same resources, creating a more equitable learning environment.
- Efficiency: Saves time for both teachers and students by reducing the need to borrow or share materials during class.
- Responsibility: Teaches students to take responsibility for their own learning and belongings.

# 3.2 Student Equipment List

- 1 x Reading book
- 1 x Mini white board
- 2 x Black pens
- 1 x Purple pen
- 2 x Pencils
- 1 x Whiteboard pen
- 1 x Ruler
- 1 x Glue stick
- 1 x Scissors
- 1 x Sharpener
- 1 x Rubber
- 1 Scientific Calculator
- Maths specific equipment



# 3.3 Consequences for Not Having the Correct Equipment

- Demerit: If a student forgets to bring the correct equipment to school, they will receive a demerit
- 3 x equipment demerits in a half term period will trigger a senior staff after school detention (3.15-4.15pm) in room 2.
- 6 x equipment demerits in a half term period will trigger an extended senior staff after school detention (3.15-4.45pm) in room 2.
- 9 x equipment demerits in a half term period will trigger a day in reflection (8.45am-4.15pm).
- 12 x equipment demerits in a half term period will trigger a 2nd day in reflection (8.45am-4.15pm).