SCHOOL UNIFORM POLICY

Uniform helps to create a sense of community and equality and there is a compulsory uniform for students in years 7-11 at Fitzharrys School. The uniform, for all students in Years 7-11, is as follows:

Please note: Single starred* items are only available online via our supplier: Price & Buckland

School Uniform:

- Plain white school shirt with all white buttons and collar. No logos or blouses
- Black tailored trousers
- Plain black formal skirts which must be knee length. These must not be tight fitting. Examples of acceptable skirt styles are A-line, pleated or skater
- School tie**
 ** Please note our school tie is only available via Fitzharrys School (more details on p.2).
- Black blazer with school badge*
- Students must wear plain grey, white or black socks or black or natural tights
- Sensible black school shoes no trainers

Summer Uniform (Terms 5 & 6):

- Blue school badge polo shirt* can replace shirt, tie, and blazer.
- Optional Navy blue school badge v-necked jumper*
- Optional Black tailored shorts of appropriate length no sports shorts

PE Uniform for Boys and Girls

- Navy blue shadow shorts (shadow stripe)*
- Navy/sky blue PE polo shirt with Fitzharrys School logo*
- Navy blue reversible rugby shirt*
- White ankle socks
- Navy blue rugby/football socks* (available from Price and Buckland)
- Non marking training shoes (cushion sole)
- Outdoor trainers
- Football boots

Please look at the detailed guidance on the school website to see what types of shoes, trousers, shirts and outside jackets are permitted to be worn as uniform.

Outline guidance:

- Plain dark outer coat should be worn (no hooded tops).
- Trousers should be smart without any additional decoration: jeans or cargoes or combats should not be worn.
- Other non-uniform coloured sweatshirts are not acceptable as outside coats.
- Boys should be clean shaven.
- Hair should be a natural colour.
- No jewellery apart from one stud in the lobe of each ear and a watch; this means no facial piercings of any kind these must be removed or covered.
- Apart from PE, trainers are not to be worn in school.
- For health and safety reasons high heels are not allowed.
- Extremes of fashion in clothes or hair, or styles of dress which cause offence or are unsafe, are not acceptable. Students in Years 10 and 11 may wear light make-up.

We believe this code makes appropriate allowances for cultural and religious traditions. Parents should discuss the necessity for any variation to the code with the Headteacher.

Please note that the Headteacher reserves the right to send students home who are not appropriately dressed.

<u>Ties</u>

Please note: **our school tie is only available at Fitzharrys School** - over the counter in Student Services. As the school has now moved to a cashless system, we politely request that payments for ties are made online through via the Accounts tab in your <u>ParentMail</u> account.

Uniform Supplier

All single-starred* items in the above uniform lists are available online from our supplier: <u>Price & Buckland</u>. The cost of uniform is displayed by each item on the Price & Buckland website. The online ordering service allows customers to view and order uniform 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Orders are usually dispatched to a personal address within 5 working days although times will be extended during the busier months (June-September). There is also an option to have deliveries sent to Fitzharrys, which can save on costs. Please note, Fitzharrys <u>cannot</u> receive any deliveries during the school holidays.

Uniform Fittings

Our Student Services office holds a full collection of sample school blazers, jumpers and summer polo shirts in all sizes; students are very welcome to visit the office to try these on for size before purchasing items online. If you require a uniform fitting, it is advisable to contact the school and make an appointment to see Mrs Davis, the Office Manager.

Second Hand Uniform

Fitzharrys' Student Services office also holds a stock of second-hand uniform which can be purchased for a small donation. You are welcome to contact us at any time during the school year if you are interested in purchasing items second-hand; our office manager will be able to let you know what we have in stock. Alternatively, second-hand uniform is made available at periodical after-school sales - notifications for these sales will be emailed in advance to all parents and carers.

The school welcomes donations of good condition second-hand uniform – please contact Student Services with any offers.

Equipment

We suggest the following personal items should be in everybody's bag:

- 30cm ruler
- Pencils, pens
- Coloured pencils (these are better than felt tips)
- Rubber
- Pencil sharpener
- Protractor
- Compasses
- Calculator a scientific calculator, with a fraction button.

Lockers

Some lockers are available for hire at the cost of £25 for a student's school career. They are given a Fitzharrys keyring to keep their locker key on. £2.50 will be paid on return of the locker key at the end of year 11. Refunds are available if students leave the school before the end of Year 11.

Valuables/Mobile Phones

Please make sure all belongings are clearly marked with the student's name. Any valuable items including ear pods/headphones/other electronic devices and cash should not be brought to school at all as we cannot take responsibility for any valuable items that students may bring in. If this essential and cannot be avoided, please pass items into Student Services for safekeeping.

Fitzharrys School appreciates that parents and carers may wish their child to carry a mobile phone for reasons of personal safety. Students may bring mobile phone to school, but we cannot take responsibility for phones or other electronic devices brought onto site.

We have a clear and enforced policy to manage students' use of mobile phones. Students are not allowed to have their phones out or switched on during the school day. Our policy is in line with the government guidance around mobile phones in schools, and we believe that this is a positive choice for our school community, ensuring greater focus on learning, building positive relationships, and extra-curricular opportunities in school.

We will expect mobile phones or other devices to be off and safely stored away in bags when students are on site. The approach of 'See it, hear it, lose it' is used. Students may be permitted to use their mobile phones in specific lessons, however if they are seen or heard without the permission of a member of staff they will be confiscated, with escalating consequences if caught more than once. Fitzharrys' regulated approach encourages a focus on learning, socialising, and reducing screen time.

We encourage parents not to communicate with their child by mobile during the day but use to the main school office to make contact. If there is an emergency and you need to reach your child, then you will be able to <u>contact us</u> in the usual way.

For further information on Uniform, see the Head of Year or our School Office Manager: Mrs A Davis.