

## Appearance of Pupils (Years 7 – 11)

There are three guiding principles regarding the appearance of pupils:

- the school's desire to promote a strong, cohesive, school identity that supports high standards and a sense of collective identity among pupils;
- that pupils should consider that appearance is communication and they are expected to present themselves in a thoughtful and business-like manner;
- the school want to actively avoid "indirect" discrimination. This involves the application of a requirement, which, although applied equally to everyone, puts those of a particular gender, race, sexual orientation or religion or belief at a disadvantage because they cannot in practice comply with it.

Boys should be dressed in accordance with this uniform list, which also applies on the journey to and from school.

- Blazers to be worn at all times around school, unless otherwise authorised by the Headmaster.
- Top buttons fastened; tie properly done up. Shirts tucked in.
- Grey school trousers. Jeans, chinos and other fashion trousers are not acceptable. Belts, if worn, should be plain and with a modest buckle.
- Black smart shoes with plain dark soles. Not boots, trainers or brown shoes. Dark grey or black plain socks.
- V necked navy blue or grey sweaters are allowed. No cardigans, sweatshirts, hoodies, fleeces, track suit tops or denim jackets for use as coats.
- Coats should allow you to be visible to traffic in the dark winter months and a plain design. They should not be worn inside the school buildings.
- Hats, gloves, and scarves must be plain coloured either blue or black. These should not be worn inside the school buildings.
- Hair must be of natural colour. Longer hair must be tied up and off the collar at all times. Hair clips and ties must be discreet. Facial hair is permitted.
- No earrings, bangles, make up or other jewellery is to be worn.
- Pupils are encouraged to maintain a healthy standard of personal hygiene.

## **The Sixth Form Dress Code**

As Sixth Formers you will be required to dress in a manner that is, in the opinion of the school, formal and restrained. As senior students it is important that both your appearance and conduct set an appropriate tone for the younger pupils.

The Dress Code reflects the importance we attach to maintaining high standards whilst treating you as young adults. In joining the LRGS Sixth Form, you have opted to pursue academic qualifications, and your appearance should be business-like, tidy and modest to reflect the serious and formal nature of your Sixth Form studies.

**Suits:** Suits should be matching and of a formal style and cut. **All Sixth Form students are required to wear a suit jacket or blazer as part of their uniform.** Alternatively, you may opt for a tailored jacket and coordinating smart trousers, skirt or dress. Skirts and dresses should be no shorter than knee-length.

**Shirts:** A tailored shirt, which is accompanied by an LRGS Sixth Form tie, or a smart blouse is to be worn. If wearing a stiff-collared shirt, a tie must be worn. Shirts are to be tucked in and top buttons should be done up at all times. Sleeveless or vest tops may **not** be worn.

**Trousers:** They should not be brightly coloured and not skinny fitting. Jeans, chinos and other fashion trousers are **not** acceptable. Belts, if worn, should be plain and with a modest buckle. Leggings may **not** be substituted for formal trousers.

**Ties and badges:** All Sixth Form students must wear either a Sixth Form tie **or** pin badge (or you may choose to wear both). Sixth Form ties and pin badges are available from our uniform supplier Uniform and Leisurewear and from Mrs. Haywood at the beginning of each academic year. Any other school ties that have been approved by the Sixth Form Team may also be worn.

**Shoes:** Dark or tan coloured, formal, low-heeled and closed-toe shoes should be worn - trainers, sandals or boots are **not** permitted. Dark socks should be worn.

**Coats:** Smart coats may be worn around the school site but should be removed upon entering classrooms. Denim or leather jackets may **not** be worn. Hoodies or waterproof coats are **not** permitted as a replacement for a tailored jacket/blazer.

**Jumpers/cardigans:** Smart V-neck jumpers or cardigans may be worn in cold weather but should be plain and without obvious branding. Plain, non-branded jumpers with a zip collar are permitted, providing that the zip is down and that your shirt and tie are visible at all times. Jumpers and cardigans are **not** permitted as a replacement for a tailored jacket/blazer.

**Hair and jewellery:** Hair should be of a natural colour. For safety reasons, long hair must be tied up and off the collar (using discreet hair clips and ties) in situations such as during science practicals, P.E. and Games lessons and in the Technology block. Tidy facial hair is permitted. Modest ear-studs may be worn. Other jewellery, facial piercings and visible tattoos are **not** permitted.

**Make-up:** Only natural make-up and nails are allowed.

***The Sixth Form Team reserve the right to make any decisions about suitability in terms of dress.***

***If a student is inappropriately dressed, they can expect to be asked to return home/to the boarding house to change where it is safe and appropriate to do so.***