



# Heathside School

## Uniform and Appearance Policy

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**Staff Member with Responsibility:** Vice Principal, Student Welfare

**Reviewed by:** Local Advisory Board

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At Heathside we recognise school uniform plays a valuable role in contributing to the ethos of the school, instilling pride and a sense of belonging. It supports positive behaviour and discipline and can also be useful in protecting children from social pressures to dress or adapt their appearance in a particular way.

As a school, we enjoy a reputation for high standards. We make our expectations clear and with parental support we are able to encourage all students to enhance Heathside's image and reputation within the local community.

A visual breakdown of our Uniform and Appearance expectations can be found on our website.

### School uniform (Year 7 – 11)

	Do		Don't
✓	Royal blue blazer with school badge - worn at all times	✗	Roll sleeves
✓	Plain white shirt worn tucked in, with House branded school tie showing the full Heathside logo	✗	Leave shirt untucked, have top button undone, wear tie without logo showing
✓	Open necked 3/4 sleeved plain white blouse worn tucked in	✗	Leave untucked
✓	Plain black V-neck jumper (optional)	✗	Wear cardigans, anything with a hood, zips or buttons or anything made of sweatshirt style fabric
✓	Black tailored school trousers	✗	Wear jeans, skinny/slim fit trousers
✓	Plain black belt with plain buckle	✗	Wear overtly branded or oversized buckle
✓	Black pleated House branded Heathside skirt worn at knee length	✗	Roll at the waistband
✓	Plain white or black socks Plain black or flesh coloured tights	✗	Wear patterned tights or other coloured/patterned socks
✓	Black, flat or low-heeled shoes that can be polished (non-fabric)	✗	Wear boots of any description, canvas shoes and trainers/trainer style shoes (including skate shoes and similar styles)
✓	Plain black or navy-blue outdoor coat – only allowed outside the building	✗	Wear coats inside the building, overtly branded items
✓	House branded polo shirt (optional) <i>Note: Summer term only</i>	✗	Wear non-branded polo shirt

✓	Hair – natural colours only, no extreme styles, long hair tied back for practical subjects and formal occasions	✗	Hair colours that do not occur naturally, very short cut/fade, shapes/symbols shaved into the head, or any extreme hairstyle (our discretion)
✓	Jewellery <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• One plain stud per earlobe only (≤5mm diameter)</li> <li>• Watch</li> </ul>	✗	Any other piercings. <i>Note: students with additional piercings will be required to remove the item even if this means the hole will close.</i> Smart watch or wearable device with communication capability.
✓	Make-up – a light application of foundation only	✗	Lipstick, eye shadow/liner, contouring, mascara, false or extended eyelashes, pencilled on eyebrows
✓	Natural, short length finger nails	✗	Nail varnish, false nails of any description, long nails.

**House branded items should be purchased in the appropriate house colour:**

*Falcons (orange), Eagles (green), Kestrels (blue), Hawks (purple)*

Any item of clothing or jewellery worn for medical reasons or religious observance will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis. All items worn, where possible, must be of uniform colour.

The Head of School and/or Executive Principal reserves the right to alter this dress code when necessary due to excessive heat or cold climate conditions. Students, parents and staff will be informed of this alteration, should this occur.

**PE uniform**

**Girls' PE Compulsory Items**

- Polo Shirt\*
- Skirt\*
- Base Layer
- Fleece Top\*
- Games Socks\*
- Shin Pads
- Sports Trainers

**Girls' PE Optional Items**

- Running Tights
- Shower Proof Jacket\*
- Tracksuit Bottoms
- Studded Boots

**Boys' PE Compulsory Items**

- Polo Shirt\*
- Gym Shorts\*
- Rugby Shirt\*
- Base Layer
- Games Socks\*
- Shin Pads
- Mouth Guard
- Sports Trainers
- Studded Boots

**Boys' PE Optional Items**

- Fleece Top\*
- Shower Proof Jacket\*
- Tracksuit Bottoms

All school uniform items and PE uniform items marked with an \* can be purchased from School Uniform Direct.

School Uniform Direct, 1 Park Court, 1 Pyrford Road, West Byfleet, KT14 6SD

Tel: 020 8544 5440 (please select option 1 followed by option 4)

<https://www.schooluniformdirect.co.uk/schools/79/heathside>

**Sixth Form Dress code (Year 12 – 13)**

Details of the Sixth Form dress code are contained in the Student Agreement, available on request. All Sixth Form students are provided with a security identity lanyard – this must be worn at all times.

**If a member of staff notes that a student's appearance or clothing do not meet our expectations, the student will be asked to remove inappropriate items and/or correct their appearance. Refusal to comply with this request may result in being withdrawn from lessons, confiscation of the item(s) and in extreme cases being sent home. Parents will be contacted if necessary.**