

School Uniform Policy - John Ferneley College

School uniform plays a valuable role in contributing to the ethos of a school and setting an appropriate tone. A uniform supports positive behaviour and discipline; ensures students of all races and backgrounds feel welcome; protects children from social pressures to dress in a particular way; nurtures cohesion and promotes good relations between different groups of students.

John Ferneley School uniform:

- Promotes a sense of pride in the school
- Establishes a sense of community and belonging towards the school
- Is practical and smart
- Promotes equality
- Is regarded as suitable wear for school and good value for money by our parents/guardians
- Is designed with health and safety in mind

We believe that wearing the school uniform smartly helps to prepare our young people to be successful as adults: teaching them that dressing smartly can affect people's impressions of us, can create a sense of belonging and increase our self-esteem.

We are also aware that many high street retailers currently make it difficult for parents/guardians to buy the correct uniform for their children, by having a confusing array of choices on offer, particularly related to shoes and skirts for girls. Therefore, we have set out what we will NOT accept clearly, in the table below. Please read it very carefully.

Students who do not wear the correct uniform will NOT be allowed to access lessons until they are dressed correctly. Please note the Senior Leadership Team, along with Tutors, run weekly uniform checks to ensure students are wearing the correct uniform, as per our Uniform Policy overleaf.

For those parents/guardians suffering financial hardship your child's Head of Year should be contacted in the first instance.

School Uniform providers

Please see our **three** approved uniform providers below. All compulsory items should be purchased through these suppliers:

- [Marks and Spencer](#)
- [Kidzone](#)
- [Your School Uniform](#)

If you have any questions regarding the school uniform, please email uniform@johnferneley.org or contact Main Reception during school hours on 01664 565901

SCHOOL UNIFORM - COMPULSORY ITEMS

	Acceptable	<u>Not</u> acceptable
Blazer	Black blazer with the embroidered John Ferneley school badge on the pocket	Hoodies, jumper or coat instead of blazer; any different colour; no logo; no blazer
Jumper	Plain black V neck jumper (optional)	Hoodies or cardigans of any kind are not permitted
Shirt	Plain white shirt or blouse with collar (long or short sleeve)	Polo shirt, different coloured shirt, no collar, no sleeves, t-shirts
Tie	John Ferneley College tie, worn correctly	Any other tie or no tie, worn above waist or not tied
Socks/ tights	Plain white, grey or black socks; flesh, grey or black plain, unpatterned tights	Over/knee-high socks, patterned tights, colours other than white, grey or black
Skirts	Black skirt that ends ON or below the knee: skater or pleated skirt	Skirts that end ABOVE the knee; tube, pencil or other tight fitting skirt
<p>Acceptable products available on the high street:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • https://www.marksandspencer.com/girls-permanent-pleats-skirt/p/clp60100223?color=BLACK • https://www.marksandspencer.com/girls-adaptive-skirt/p/clp60104235?color=BLACK • https://www.johnlewis.com/john-lewis-partners-girls-adjustable-waist-stain-resistant-panel-pleated-school-skirt/black/p5029107?size=10%20YEARS&sku=238512796 • https://www.next.co.uk/style/st521247/353686#353686 • https://tuclouthing.sainsburys.co.uk/p/Black-Jersey-Skater-Skirt-2-Pack-%2810-16-years%29/131727533-Black?searchTerm=:newArrivals&searchProduct= • https://direct.asda.com/george/school/girls-school-skirts/girls-black-box-pleat-skirt-2-pack/GEM663947,default,pd.html?cgid=D10M2G1C10 		
Trousers	Plain black trousers in slim, standard or comfort fit	Black jeans, jeggings, leggings, jogging bottoms - should not have jean style pockets
Shoes	Entirely black, polishable, leather type shoes with enclosed toe and heel.	Trainers; trainer type shoes with logo: even if the logo is in the same colour as the shoe; no plimsolls or canvas shoes No colouring on the shoe, sole, stitching or laces.
Belts	Plain black or grey with small buckle	Any colour other than black or grey





OTHER ITEMS

Coats	Students will need an additional (preferably warm and waterproof) coat for the colder months. Coats should be removed as soon as students are inside the school building.
Jewellery	One pair of plain ear studs and a watch. No facial piercings and no other piercings are allowed, stretchers and bars are NOT permitted. Religious jewellery can be worn but must be under clothing. Only traditional watches are allowed. No smart watches (including Apple Watches, FitBits or similar) are allowed.
Hair, Makeup and Nails	Make up must be discreet and kept to a minimum, hair colour should be in the range of natural hair colouring. No extreme hairstyles or colours. No false nails or eyelashes are allowed. Clear nail polish only.
Bags	Each student will be expected to carry an appropriate waterproof school bag for school which can hold school books and equipment. No small handbag type bags are allowed. A separate PE kit bag will also be needed to store PE kit, on days of PE.
Lanyard	Students must wear their school lanyard and ID card at all times when on the school site.
Tattoos	Students should not have tattoos, permanent or temporary.

Only in adverse weather conditions (i.e. snow), students can choose to wear more appropriate shoes when travelling to and from school (i.e. wellingtons) but must change out of wellingtons once inside the school building.

Please note all students have access to a locker for the safe storage of wellingtons, and other items such as PE kit.

PE KIT - COMPULSORY ITEMS

	Girls	Boys	Not acceptable
Polo shirt	A red polo shirt with the embroidered John Ferneley logo	A red polo shirt with the embroidered John Ferneley logo	
Shorts	Black sports shorts	Black sports shorts	No short / hot pant style tight fitted sports shorts.
Sweatshirt	Black John Ferneley sweatshirt, or plain black sweatshirt	Black John Ferneley sweatshirt, or plain black sweatshirt	
Tracksuit bottoms	Black tracksuit bottoms	Black tracksuit bottoms	
Trainers	Indoor / outdoor trainers	Indoor / outdoor trainers Football boots	Plimsolls
Rain jacket	Plain black rain jacket for outdoors	Plain black rain jacket for outdoors	

Jewellery in PE Lessons

The Association for Physical Education (afPE) strongly recommends the practice of removing all personal effects at the commencement of every PE lesson to establish a safe working environment. This applies to all ear and body piercings, including retainer and expander earrings. Therefore, students are asked to ensure that all jewellery is removed prior to every PE lesson, and hair is tied up at all times.

This policy is reviewed annually by the Senior Leadership Team.