The Abbey

School Uniform Code

From September 2026

At The Abbey, all students are expected to wear their uniform smartly and with pride. Where specified, uniform must be purchased online from Schoolblazer, our online uniform supplier: www.schoolblazer.com. All items should be named (NB Schoolblazer offers a name-taping service at source), as should all possessions brought to school.

School uniform is an important part of the ethos of the school, bringing together a community of individuals from many different backgrounds, aiding integration, cohesion and good order in the school. If there is any difficulty concerning school uniform, parents should contact the form teacher; tutor; Assistant Director (Senior School) or Assistant Head (Junior School), who will always be happy to advise.

Guidance for Junior School and Senior School

Hair must be of a natural colour, clean and tidy. For students in the Junior School, shoulder length or long hair must be tied back, off the shoulders and back from the face at all times. For all students, hair should also be off the face and must be tied back for safety purposes in Science, Art, Food Technology and PE lessons.

Head coverings, when required on religious grounds, are permissible in the Senior School only and must be in plain black fabric. The full face must remain visible and scarves should not fall further than 6 inches below the shoulder.

Only plain studs may be worn by students with pierced ears and they must be removed, or covered with tape, during PE lessons for safety reasons. No other jewellery is permitted, such as necklaces, rings or hoop earrings. Nose piercings, other body piercings and tattoos are also not permitted.

Exceptions may be made for discreet jewellery in line with religious requirements with permission from the Assistant Head (Junior School) or relevant Director (Senior School).

For students up to Lower IV, no makeup or nail varnish is permitted. Students in Upper IV-Upper V may wear clear nail varnish and discreet make-up.

Nursery Uniform

Items in **bold** must be purchased from Schoolblazer. All items are compulsory unless stated otherwise.

School green sweatshirt
School green jogging bottoms
School white polo shirt
School green shorts
School green coat
School scarf, hat and gloves
Lunch tabard
Rucksack
Short white ankle socks
Black school shoes (T-bar or strap)
Ballet shoes (Pink slip-on or elasticised)
White trainers
Wellies (To be kept in school)
Sun hat (To cover neck and ears)
Swimming costume (one-piece)
Swim Hat (preferably in House colour)
House Shirt (Summer Term)

Junior School Uniform
Reception, Lower Prep (Year 1) and Upper Prep (Year 2)

Items in **bold** must be purchased from Schoolblazer. All items are compulsory unless stated otherwise.

Winter Uniform

School tartan pinafore
School purple roll neck
School green cardigan
School green coat
School scarf, hat and gloves
Green cotton tights or green knee length socks (on occasion all students need to wear tights. On swimming days students are asked to wear socks rather than tights)
Black school shoes (T-bar or strap)

Summer Uniform

School summer dress
School green cardigan
Plain white socks (ankle or long - NB Tights may not be worn with summer uniform)
Black school shoes (T-bar or strap)

Summer uniform is worn in the summer term and (if preferred) up to half term in the autumn term.

Other Items

School small green rucksack
Wellies (Reception and Lower Prep only)

Games Kit

House polo shirt
School green polo shirt
School green shorts
School green sweatshirt
School green jogging bottoms
School linen PE bag
Black swimming costume
House swimming hat
House baseball cap (Optional - although this is the only sun hat allowed)
Swim bag and towel (Reception onwards)
White ankle sport socks
Sports Trainers
Ballet shoes (Reception only - Pink slip-on or elasticised)

Junior School Uniform
Lower I (Year 3) to Lower III (Year 6)

Items in **bold** must be purchased from Schoolblazer. All items are compulsory unless stated otherwise.

Winter Uniform

School white blouse
School green jumper
School tartan kilt or black formal creased trousers
School green coat
School scarf, hat and gloves (optional)
Green cotton tights or green knee length socks
Black school shoes (T-bar, strap or lace-up)

Summer Uniform

School summer dress
School green jumper
Plain white socks (ankle or long - NB Tights may not be worn with summer uniform)
Black school shoes (T-bar, strap or lace-up)

Summer uniform is worn in the summer term and (if preferred) up to half term in the autumn term. Summer uniform is optional for Upper II and Lower III.

Other Items

School medium green rucksack
School green science overall
Simple, small watches may be worn from Lower I. Fit-bits or similar devices may not be worn

Games Kit

School green polo shirt
School skort
School midlayer
School tracksuit top (optional)
School tracksuit bottoms
School games socks
School games bag
Black swimming costume
House swimming hat
House polo shirt
House baseball cap
School baselayer top (optional)
School baselayer leggings
School cycle shorts (optional)
Shin guards and gum shield (minimum Opro Silver or equivalent)
Swim bag and towel
White ankle socks
Sports Trainers
Football boots - moulded studs (Optional)

Senior School Uniform
Upper III (Year 7) to Upper IV (Year 9)

Items in **bold** must be purchased from Schoolblazer. All items are compulsory unless stated otherwise.

School blazer - bottle green
School green kilt or black formal trousers/knee-length black formal shorts in summer
School white blouse
School purple jumper
School coat or own choice of smart plain black coat or jacket

Black or neutral tights or black short socks
Shoes should be plain, black and give adequate support to the feet. Students may wear ‘smart school trainers'. These should be black and should not be sports trainers or sneakers. Please also note that boots, including ankle boots, are not permitted.

Other Items

School butcher's apron (compulsory for Upper III and those taking Food and Nutrition as an option later)
School Science overall (clearly marked with the owner's name on the front left side)
Rucksack or school bag (any colour, but must be large enough to take A4 files and exercise books. Rucksacks must not have wheels.)

Games Kit

School tracksuit top
School tracksuit bottoms
School skort
School green polo shirt
House polo shirt
School midlayer
School games socks
School games bag
House swimming hat
Black swimming costume
School cycle shorts or plain black leggings for athletics
Plain black leotard (optional)

School baselayer top (optional)
School baselayer leggings (optional)
Shin guards and gum shield (minimum Opro Silver or equivalent)
White ankle socks
Sports trainers
Astro trainers (no studs, moulds or cleats)
Hockey stick (for the Autumn and Spring Terms)
Tennis racket (for the Summer Term. Racket cover must be marked with a permanent marker)

Senior School Uniform
Lower V (Year 10) to Upper V (Year 11)

Items in **bold** must be purchased from Schoolblazer. All items are compulsory unless stated otherwise.

School blazer - black
School green kilt or black formal trousers/knee-length black formal shorts in summer
School white blouse
School black jumper
School coat or own choice of smart plain black coat or jacket

Black or neutral tights or black short socks
Shoes should be plain, black and give adequate support to the feet. Students may wear ‘smart school trainers'. These should be black and should not be sports trainers or sneakers. Please also note that boots, including ankle boots, are not permitted.

Other Items

School butcher's apron (compulsory for those taking Food and Nutrition as an option)
School Science overall (clearly marked with the owner's name on the front left side)
Rucksack or school bag (any colour, but must be large enough to take A4 files and exercise books. Rucksacks must not have wheels.)

Games Kit

School tracksuit top and/or school midlayer
School tracksuit bottoms or plain black leggings
School green polo shirt
House polo shirt
School midlayer
School games socks
School games bag
House swimming hat
Black swimming costume (Lower V only)
Black cycle shorts (Lower V only)

School baselayer top (optional)
School baselayer leggings (optional)
Shin guards and gum shield (minimum Opro Silver or equivalent)
White ankle socks
Sports trainers
Astro trainers (no studs, moulds or cleats)
Hockey stick (for the Autumn and Spring Terms)
Tennis racket (for the Summer Term. Racket cover must be marked with a permanent marker).

Sixth Form guidance (Years 12-13)

There is no daily school uniform for the Sixth Form: we expect students to wear clothing that is comfortable, sensible and practical for the working environment. We ask that students dress with due regard to their status as the senior members of the school. More specific guidance can be found in the Sixth Form Handbook.

There are no specific regulations regarding jewellery, hair colour or piercings: where there are questions over appropriateness, these will be raised on an individual basis by members of the Sixth Form team. Tattoos are not permitted. In lessons such as Sciences and PE, jewellery should be removed and hair should be tied up for safety purposes.

Protective clothing, clearly marked with your name on the front left side, will be needed for the following classes:

Science:	white lab coat or green overall
Art:	green overall

The Sixth Form has a "Black & White" dress code for formal occasions, which includes leading school assemblies, touring visitors to the school, Speech Day, Open Evening, etc. Students should wear either a smart black dress or black skirt or trousers with a smart white top. Shoes should be clean, comfortable, smart and sensible.

Sixth Form Sportswear
A complete change of clothes is required for PE, Active Enrichment or competitive sport.

Students may wear the school kit from Schoolblazer but this is not compulsory. The PE kitbag should contain:

- Sports top / t-shirt / tracksuit top
- Tracksuit bottoms / shorts / games skirt
- Sport trainers and socks