

Uniform Policy

SEPTEMBER 2026 TO AUGUST 2027

Westonbirt pupils are expected to look smart at all times during the school day. As a standard, the following is expected:

UNIFORM AND APPEARANCE (YEARS 7 - 11)

1. Full school uniform should be worn at all times; this includes official school games kit which should not be worn at any time other than for sports-based activities. Hoodies & sports jackets do not form part of the school uniform. If a pupil is in sports kit, it is expected that they will wear tracksuit trousers when in academic lessons, in the Dining Room or in the Chapel.
2. Hair should be clean, neat and tidy, and off the face, with no extremes of colour or style. Coloured hair is only permissible as a shade of the pupil's own natural hair colour and should be of consistent colour. No hair should be shorter than a grade 2 (6mm); skin fades are not acceptable. Boys should be clean shaven. Hair below the collar should be tied back whenever the school uniform is worn for Year 7 - 10. Year 11 upwards need only tie their hair back for practical lessons.
3. All pupils' footwear should be shoes and not boots or trainers, and must be flat, polishable, black and free of any visible branding.
4. No jewellery should be worn except for a standard analogue or digital watch (no smart-tech should be worn) and one optional pair of sleeper or stud earrings worn in the ear lobe.
5. No make-up should be worn in Year 9 and below.
6. In Year 10 and above, if make up is worn, it should be minimal, natural looking, and discreet.
7. The wearing of fake tan, or false / enhanced eyelashes is not permitted. Nails should be of a suitable length for school (and playing contact sport), and only clear nail polish is permitted.
8. Clothing and shoes should be clean and in good repair.
9. Pupils in Year 7 & 8 should use a Westonbirt bookbag. All other pupils are required to have a school bag which should be a plain dark colour. No large logos or patterns are permitted.
10. Day and Boarding, Years 7 - 11, are required to wear;
 - Westonbirt red V-neck sweater (with house colour trim available from Stevensons from April 26).
 - Plain white shirt or blouse (tucked in and top button fastened)
 - Westonbirt School tie (with 6 or more stripes showing) unless wearing a blouse.
 - Westonbirt Senior Stormproof Coat for Years 7 to 11. A Westonbirt scarf may also be worn. Black wool overcoat for Years 10 to 11 may be worn. No other coat or scarf is permitted.
 - For Uniform 1:
 - Westonbirt kilt (on or below the knee) worn correctly with plain black opaque tights.
 - Black full length buttoned trousers (straight leg, tailored cut) with plain dark grey/black socks - please see example Marks & Spencer acceptable style [here](#). Trousers must not be superskinny, flared, bootcut, cropped or leggings style.
 - For Uniform 2:
 - Charcoal grey trousers (tailored cut) with plain dark grey/black socks

Adjudication on uniform and appearance is at the discretion of the Senior Leadership Executive. Pupils who breach this uniform policy may be sent home and in instances of repeat offending may be directed to wear or permanently remove specific items.

SIXTH FORM DRESS CODE

Our Sixth Form students are ambassadors for the wider school community and serve as role models to those in the younger years. As such, it is important that they look **smart, purposeful** and **professional** when on campus, as well as when travelling to and from school. We expect all members of the community to respect and support the ethos of the School.

We are keen to allow our students at the top of the school an element of choice in their dress code, but expect all students to present themselves in a **smart** and **purposeful** manner.

Sixth Form Uniform

We expect our Sixth Form students to adhere to this code during all academic lessons. Sports kit may be worn during afternoons where students have Games, or during PE/BTEC practical lessons, as instructed by staff. If sports kit is worn in the Chapel, Dining Room or during academic lessons then tracksuit trousers must be worn and shoulders must be covered.

- Students should wear a Westonbirt tweed jacket, currently available from Stevensons. This may be accompanied by tailored trousers or chinos (not denim or trousers with studs); a formal dress (with shoulders covered, worn to just above, on, or below the knee); or a formal tailored skirt (worn just above, on, or below the knee). These should be in navy; black; or grey. This should be accompanied by a collared and sleeved blouse; or a shirt and tie; or a formal polo neck jumper.
- Formal tights must be worn with skirts or dresses.
- No lycra or bodycon.
- Formal pullovers are allowed, but these must be of a single colour, free from ostentatious branding and, if wearing a tie, the tie must be visible.
- Ties should be worn when wearing a buttoned shirt.
- Coats must be formal business wear (navy, black, grey, or neutral), or the official Westonbirt waterproof coat. We do not allow 'puffer' style coats or anything with branding which is not discreet. This may be accompanied by a navy, black, grey, or School scarf.
- Footwear is expected to be formal, flat and polishable and free of visible branding.

Hair and Facial Hair

- Hair should be kept neat and tidy, and away from the face.
- Hair styles and colour must be smart and purposeful, appropriate for a professional environment. At no point should a student's hair be shorter than a grade 2, therefore a skin fade is not acceptable. Equally, haircuts, such as a mullet, or one that presents an extreme contrast in length are not permitted.
- Students should be clean shaven.
- Coloured hair is only permissible as a shade of the student's own natural hair colour.

If any individual has any questions regarding hair styles, they should consult with the Deputy Head Sixth Form & Culture in advance of any changes.

Jewellery and Make-up

- Members of the Sixth Form are permitted to wear discreet jewellery, for example a ring, necklace or subtle earrings for girls. This should be in line with a professional environment.
- Members of the Sixth Form are permitted to wear subtle shades of nail varnish. Both length and colour of nails should be in line with that of a professional environment.

All members of the Sixth Form are required to wear uniform. The Deputy Head Sixth Form & Culture will consider all written requests from students and parents for flexibility in the policy on account of disability, gender reassignment, sex, injury, or on religious belief. This will be decided on a case by case basis, and the Deputy Head Sixth Form & Culture may arrange a meeting with the parents to discuss the practicalities of any change.

Adjudication on uniform and appearance is at the discretion of the Deputy Head Sixth Form & Culture. If you have any concerns about whether an item adheres to the Dress Code, please contact the Deputy Head Sixth Form & Culture prior to purchase. Pupils who breach this uniform policy may be sent home and in instances of repeat offending may be directed to wear or permanently remove specific items.