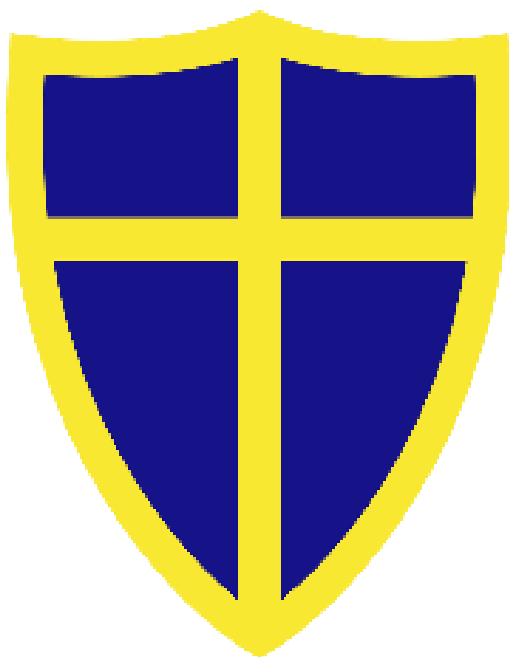


**BLUE COAT CHURCH OF ENGLAND SCHOOL  
AND MUSIC COLLEGE**



**UNIFORM Y7 – Y11  
AND DRESS CODE POST 16 POLICY**

Updated: May 2020  
Policy duration: 1 year  
Committee: SLT

The following terms shall be interpreted as indicated below when used hereinafter within this policy:

- (a) 'Trustees' refers to the registered trustees of the Coventry Blue Coat Church of England School Foundation, registered charity number 511793
- (b) 'Academy trust' refers to the holding body of the Academy namely, Blue Coat Church of England Academy Ltd, registered company number 7594562
- (c) 'Blue Coat School' refers to the physical entity of Blue Coat Church of England School and Music College
- (d) Any reference to either 'the school' or 'the Academy' contained within this policy is taken to refer to the appropriate given body within context

### **Assessment of Policy's Impact**

The effectiveness of this policy and its impact will be assessed by the SLT Committee who will monitor the outcomes and impact of this policy annually. The evidence base for assessment will be presented as agenda items at the SLT Committee meetings.

### **SCHOOL UNIFORM: YEARS 7-11**

Our insistence on correct uniform is based on two reasons:

1. To present a neat outfit for the public identity of our pupils
2. To keep alive the traditions of the distinctive Blue Coat School uniform.

We are insistent that all rules about the uniform must be followed explicitly. Pupils are expected to maintain a clean, smart appearance at all times. All items are readily available from the recognised school outfitters. Please be aware that items purchased from outlets other than the recognised school outfitters may be deemed as non-compliant and will need to be replaced.

These are three official school outfitters. To ensure compliance, items of schoolwear, especially skirts, trousers, blazers and PE kit, should be purchased from one or some of the following suppliers.

1. Andy Blair Sports & Schoolwear Suppliers 88-90 Barkers Butts Lane, Coundon Coventry CV6 1DY 024 76598080 [andyblairsports@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:andyblairsports@yahoo.co.uk)
2. Cat Ballou Originals Ltd 1-3 The Burges, Coventry, CV1 1HN 024 76555499 [www.catballou.co.uk](http://www.catballou.co.uk)
3. The Schoolwear Company 55 Winsford Avenue, Coventry, CV5 9JG, 024 46713105 [mrstschoolwear@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:mrstschoolwear@hotmail.co.uk)

The policy should be followed by all students from September 2020.

### **Children's Boot Fund**

This a registered charity which will provide grants for the purchase of shoes in cases of difficulty. Application forms are available from the School.

<b>SCHOOL UNIFORM</b>	
<b>ITEM</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>
Blazer	Navy blue with integral school badge on pocket
Regulation house tie	Navy blue with school badge and house stripes
Pullover or cardigan	Plain navy blue, no zips or logos, school regulation 'v' neck with tie showing. Round necks or sweatshirts are <b>NOT</b> permitted
Outdoor coat or anorak	Plain blue or black with no stripes, designs, patterns or slogans. Fur, leather, leather look, corduroy or denim are not permitted
Bag	A strong sensible bag for carrying books and equipment
Trousers	Black, straight style not tapered or flared. Straight leg and must be long enough to touch the shoe, <b>NOT</b> tight fitting or skinny, no additional decorations, no denim, cord, hipsters, or studs
Shirt	White - plain standard style buttoned to the neck
Skirt	Trutex (or equivalent design) pleated navy with school badge at bottom regulation length = on or just above knee (no shorter than 5cm above the knee). <b>Only available</b> from recognised outfitters
Socks	Black
Tights	Opaque black, no patterns
Shoes	Plain black. Lace up or slip on. Brogues / low heels permissible. <b>Not permitted</b> = boots, boot style, canvas, logo or stripe, stiletto heels, sling back or trainers
<b>OPTIONAL ITEMS FOR BOYS AND GIRLS</b>	
Belts	Plain black, regular width with plain buckle, no logos or adornments
Scarf	Plain navy only
Hats	Plain navy blue (baseball caps not permitted)
Gloves	Plain dark colour
Jewellery	1 pair of small, plain gold or silver stud earrings (a matching pair, one in each earlobe). Nothing else is permitted, e.g. <b>no other visible piercing</b>
Make-up	No make-up, nail varnish or acrylic nails are allowed
Hairstyles	Pupils' hair must be in a conventional and understated style. e.g. No patterns shaved into a pupil's hair or eyebrows Hair should be of a natural colour. Unnatural colours and extensive highlighting are not allowed. Hair must be tied back in practical lessons for Health And Safety reasons. Small black, navy blue or white, subtle hair clip or bobble. No flowers, large slides or beads
In hot weather conditions the Headteacher may authorise 'shirt-sleeve order' which includes permission to remove ties during the school day. Ties must always be worn in school assemblies	
<b>PE KIT</b>	
Football jersey	Reversible navy & amber shirt with school badge
PE polo shirt	Navy & amber with school badge
T shirt	Round neck white with school badge
Shorts	Navy with school badge OR Skort navy/amber with school badge
Socks	Navy blue and amber for outdoors /white for indoors
Aptus ¼ zip top	Navy & amber with school badge
Aptus training bottoms	Navy & amber with school badge OR navy leggings with school badge
Trainers	Not over ankle style
<b>OPTIONAL:</b> football boots (moulded only), shin pads, towel.	

## **POST 16 UNIFORM**

The underlying principle of the dress code is that students wear **smart business wear**.

**Lanyards must be worn at all times.**

**Uniform items should be selected from the following**

**Dark suit type trousers. Boot Cut or Straight Cut only.** No shorts,  $\frac{3}{4}$  length trousers, casual trousers, tight fitting trousers or denim. Patterns are permissible as long as they are subtle and reflect the principle of smart business wear e.g. pin stripes.

**Dark suit style skirt/dress.** Skirt should be knee length; not full length. Patterns as above.

**Shirt, blouse or top with or without tie** suitable for business wear. No low cut, vest/strappy or hooded tops.

Shirts should be smart of a plain single colour, discreet thin striped or regular small patterned, tucked in. Polo shirts/T shirts etc are not allowed.

**Plain dark colour cardigan/jumper/waistcoat or suit style jacket.** Hooded tops are not allowed.

**Tights** must be plain with no patterns. Leggings are not permitted.

**Shoes** must be formal, smart and dark in colour. Boot type shoes are allowed provided they are worn under, not over trousers. No trainers, ballet, canvas shoes or flip flops.

**Belts**, suitable for business wear. Plain, black, brown or grey, regular width and designed to hold up trousers or skirts – not just a fashion accessory.

**Coats**, should be dark, plain and formal. No leather, denim or sportswear allowed. No fur.

**Jewellery** Sixth form students are permitted to wear jewellery but are asked to keep it minimal and discreet. Students should not have visible tattoos.

**Make-up** Light, subtle make-up may be worn.

**Hair** colour must be of a natural colour, no extreme styles allowed.

**Religious Head Coverings:** Any head covering should be dark or white and plain.

**The above list is not meant to be exhaustive but instead represents a guideline. If in doubt the Head of Sixth Form should be contacted prior to purchase to confirm the suitability of any item.**

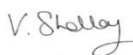
# UNIFORM POLICY

**Reviewed by:** Mr Peacock May 2020

**Next Review Date:** May 2021

**Approved by Governors:** 30 June 2020

**Signed:** Signed:



VICTORIA SHELLEY  
Headteacher

Date: 30.06.20



LYN JOHNSON  
Chair of Governors

Date: 30.06.20