



School Uniform Policy

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At Ysgol Gyfun Rhydywaun, we believe that learning to dress appropriately is part of learning as a whole. We believe this also contributes towards good self-discipline and self-esteem. The correct school uniform sets high standards and a sense of pride and order at our school.

Pupils are expected to wear the full and correct school uniform at all times

YEARS 7 – 11 SCHOOL UNIFORM

Girls

- Plain white blouse long or short sleeve with button up to the neck.
- Official school tie.
- Official red school jumper with school badge.
- Official school red polo shirt (Can be worn during the months of September, October, April, May, June and July).
- **Plain black skirt no shorter than the top of the knee.**
- **Plain black trousers (No Jeans style trousers, corduroy trousers, velvet trousers, hipsters, tight trousers or skipants)**
- Black tights or black or white socks to be worn with school skirt.
- Black or white socks to be worn with school trousers.
- Black, white, gold, silver or white hair clips and bands.
- Plain black shoes. Heels no higher than 4cm (Pupils are permitted to wear boots under their trousers during periods of snow only. **No trainers**, no open-toe sandals).
- Black or dark blue winter coat or rain coat – a bright stripe is permissible for visibility during the winter.
- Plain black or blue scarf.
- Plain black or dark blue winter hats.

Boys

- Plain white long sleeve or short sleeve shirt. No badges such as rugby club badges on shirts.
- Official school tie.
- Official red school jumper with school badge.
- Official red school polo shirt (Can be worn during the months of September, October, April, May, June and July).
- Plain black trousers.
- Plain black socks.
- Plain black shoes (Pupils are permitted to wear boots under their trousers during periods of snow only. **No trainers**).
- **Black or dark blue winter coat** or rain coat – a bright stripe is permissible for visibility during the winter.
- Plain black or blue scarf.
- Plain black or dark blue winter hats.

No unnatural hair colours and no patterns or lines shaved in hair.
No jewellery.

Uniform for Years 12 and 13

- Plain white shirt or blouse with long or short sleeves with button up to the neck.
- Official Sixth Form tie (black and yellow).
- Official school black blazer with school badge.
- Plain black trousers to reach the shoe - **No Jeans, tight trousers or leggings**
- Plain black skirt **no shorter than the top of the knee.**
- Black tights or black socks to be worn with school skirt. Black socks to be worn with school trousers.
- Plain black shoes. **No trainers.** Heels no higher than 4cm (Pupils are permitted to wear boots under their trousers during periods of snow only) No boots to be worn with skirt.
- Black clips and bands.
- Black or dark blue winter coat or raincoat – a bright stripe is permissible for visibility during the winter.
- **No hoodies or sports' tops.**
- Plain black scarf, plain black or dark blue winter hats.
- Pupils are permitted to wear one pair of earrings (studs) in the ears only.

Repercussions due to breaking school uniform rules

The school will keep any items of clothing that do not conform with the school rules up until the last day of the half term during which the item was confiscated. These items include – hoodies, coats that are not black or dark blue, tracksuit jackets, baseball hats, scarves that are not black or dark blue, cardigans and any jumpers other than official school jumpers.

The Headteacher's decision is final in all matters regarding school uniform.

The school does not allow pupils to wear any jewellery in school. Items of jewellery worn in school will be handed to the relevant head of progress and kept under lock and key until the end of the day in the first instance and for a period of five school days or until the head of year receives a note from the parent / guardian requesting the return of the item in all instances following the first.

Actions

To ensure consistency and fairness to all, I would like to outline our actions to deal with non-compliance.

Step 1

If a pupil is wearing an inappropriate coat, hoody, sweater, cardigan or jacket, members of staff are entitled to take the item and keep it until the end of the day/week/term.

It is the pupil's responsibility to collect their property at the end of the designated period.

If a pupil wears inappropriate trousers or skirt, staff will provide a clear warning and the expectation is that the item will be changed by the following day.

Step 2

If a pupil continues to challenge the uniform rules, then the Head of Progress and Welfare will contact the home by letter and/or phone.

Step 3

When a pupil is constantly breaking the school uniform rules, parents will be invited to school to discuss the situation and disciplinary steps will be taken which may include suspension.

In some cases we will supply the pupils with the correct uniform for a short-term period, so that they may return to lessons.