

# Birchwood Community High School

## Uniform

At Birchwood Community High School, we are committed to ensuring that our uniform is affordable and inclusive. To read more about our rationale, please read our full uniform policy [here](#).

1. The following branded items are **required**:

- A school blazer,
- A navy school tie for years 7 to 10,
- A silver school tie for year 11,
- A PE polo shirt,
- A PE skort or pair of shorts, and
- PE socks.

Note: The school changed its logo in 2020 but students can continue to wear uniform with the old logo for as long as they wish.

2. The following branded items are **optional**:

- A PE rugby top,
- A PE quarter zip fleece,
- A knitted V-neck jumper, and
- A school hoodie.

3. The following unbranded items are **required**:

- A white shirt,
- Grey trousers, knee length skirt or pinafore,
- White, navy, grey or black socks worn below the knee, or opaque tights in navy, grey or black,
- Black leather (or leather look) shoes (further details of which shoes align with the school policy can be found on the page below).

**Acceptable Shoes**

Black leather (or leather appearance)

No Boots

No High heels



**Unacceptable**



4. The following unbranded items are **optional**:

- Navy PE leggings, and
- Navy Tracksuit pants (plain with no logo).

**Further guidance on specific items**

<p><b>Trousers</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Formal trousers - school grey standard cut</li> <li>• No zips on pockets</li> <li>• No jeans or chino styles</li> <li>• No elaborate buttons or sequins</li> <li>• Worn with dark socks (black/navy/grey)</li> </ul>	<p><b>Skirts, tights and socks</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Students can wear a school grey knee-length skirt</li> <li>• No short, narrow pencil skirts</li> <li>• Students who wear a skirt must either wear black, grey or navy opaque tights, or ankle or knee socks in white, black, navy or grey</li> <li>• Socks should be below the knees</li> </ul>
<p><b>Jumpers</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Students can choose to purchase a branded V-neck jumper</li> <li>• No crew necks jumpers</li> <li>• No sweatshirt styles</li> <li>• No hoodies to be worn under blazers apart from the school hoodie</li> </ul>	<p><b>Coats</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• We prefer students to wear a plain outdoor coat with no logos.</li> <li>• A hoodie is not a substitute for an outdoor coat and will be confiscated by school</li> </ul>
<p><b>Jewellery, Nails, Make-up and Hair</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Students may wear one small stud earring in the lobe of each ear</li> <li>• No other jewellery should be worn by students during the school day</li> <li>• Make-up should be natural and kept to a minimum</li> <li>• False eyebrows or lashes (including strips and semi-permanent) of any kind are not permitted</li> <li>• Hair must be appropriate and not an extreme style</li> <li>• Hair must be a natural colour</li> <li>• Short hair must not contain shaved patterns</li> <li>• Nail varnish is not to be worn in school</li> <li>• Acrylic nails are also not allowed in school</li> <li>• The Behaviour and Discipline policy has more information about the above, this can be accessed <a href="#">here</a></li> </ul>	

**Where to purchase our school uniform**

5. For all the branded items included in our school uniform, the retailers are:

Warrington Schoolwear	Touchline UK
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50-54 Buttermarket Street Warrington WA1 2NN Tel: 01925 576868 <a href="#">Online Shop</a>	Liverpool Road Warrington WA5 1AE Tel: 01925 413777 <a href="#">Online shop</a>
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6. The unbranded items included in our school uniform are widely available.
7. The school keeps a small stock of secondhand uniform. Parents and carers who wish to purchase secondhand uniform should contact the Polaris team on 01925 853 500.

### **When to wear uniform**

8. Students are expected to wear the correct uniform at all times, other than specified non-uniform days. This includes:
  - At all times on the school premises during the school day.
  - Travelling to and from school,
  - Where required, at out-of-school events or on trips that are organised by the school, or where they are representing the school.

Students are also expected to contact Mr C Burrows, Associate Deputy Headteacher (on 01925 853500) before or after school if they want to request an amendment to the uniform policy in relation to their protected characteristics.