

# 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.
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, pinafore or shorts
  - White, navy, grey or black socks worn below the knee, or opaque tights in navy, grey or black.
  - Black leather (or leather look) shoes \* see appendix two.
4. The following unbranded items are **optional**:
  - Navy PE leggings, and
  - Navy Tracksuit pants (plain with no logo).

### Further guidance on specific items

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| <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>Shorts</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Shorts should be tailored school shorts in 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* see appendix one</li><li>• No short, narrow pencil skirts or jersey skater style 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 knee</li></ul> |
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| <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:

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| <p><b>Warrington Schoolwear</b><br/> 50-54 Buttermarket Street<br/> Warrington<br/> WA1 2NN<br/> Tel: 01925 576868<br/> <a href="#">Online Shop</a></p> | <p>Touchline UK<br/> Liverpool Road<br/> Warrington<br/> WA5 1AE<br/> Tel: 01925 413777<br/> <a href="#">Online shop</a></p> |
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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.
- If a student is asked to roll their skirt down repeatedly or is wearing the incorrect type/length of skirt, they will be asked to change into trousers from our school supply in the Polaris Centre. Refusal to do this will be treated as defiance.
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Reasonable Adjustments:

*If a child has a special educational need that requires an adjustment to be made to the school uniform, this will be done on an individual basis through liaison with the school SENDCo. These are anticipated to be rare circumstances and any adjustments will need to be agreed to by the Headteacher.*

9. 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.

## Appendix One

### Unacceptable Uniform:

The skirts and trousers that will not be accepted from September 2023 are:



### Appropriate Uniform:



If you prefer to use uniform shops instead, then appropriate uniform from our Warrington stockists (Touchline and Warrington School Wear) are below:



### Acceptable Shoes

Black leather (or leather appearance)

No Boots

No High heels



### Unacceptable

