



NOTTING HILL & EALING
HIGH SCHOOL

GDST
GIRLS' DAY SCHOOL TRUST

Senior School

Uniform Policy

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All girls in Years 7 - 11 are required to wear full school uniform. Parents are responsible for ensuring that their daughters wear regulation uniform, which should be kept neat and tidy and in good condition. A letter will be sent home to parents informing them of any infringements of the school dress code. Skirts should be at most two inches about the knee, and parents should ensure that they purchase a longer skirt when their daughter needs it.

Uniform items marked with * must be purchased from www.schoolblazer.com. All clothing must be clearly marked with the owner's name. The attention of parents and girls is brought to the following points:

Full uniform	Girls below the Sixth Form must wear full school uniform when travelling to and from school.
Skirts*	Should not be rolled up or altered in any way. They should not be shorter than two inches above the knee.
Trousers	Must be plain, smooth, tailored navy blue cloth, not denim, corduroy, jersey, linen or lycra. They must not be tight or flared.
Jumpers*	Should not be tied around the waist and must be a school jumper.
Hoodies	Neither school or non-school-themed hoodies should be worn in school other than if a student is wearing her PE kit with her squad hoody.
Shirts*	Both the long sleeved or short sleeves shirts may be worn all the year round. They do not have to be tucked into the waistband of their skirts or trousers.
T-shirts	Should not be worn if they are visible at the neck of shirts.
Coat	Optional, but needed in cold weather. The school's preference is for it to be black or navy but they can be of any colour or style: however, they must be taken off as soon as a student arrives on the school site and stored in a locker.
Shoes	Must be black leather only and not patent or fabric, nor trainers. The maximum heel height is 1 inch. School shoes should fasten over the foot, and hold the foot well, and comfortably.
Scarves	The school's preference is for them to be black or navy, but they can be any colour and should be stored in a locker on arrival.
Socks/tights	Tights should be black and opaque, and thick enough to withstand school life without developing ladders and holes. Black, navy or white socks may be worn.
Hair	Must be tidy and if tied back: only black or navy ties or black or brown slides are acceptable. No inappropriate hairstyles, beads or other jewellery are allowed. Hair should be one natural colour.
Nail varnish	May not be worn.
Make up	Obvious makeup may not be worn: this includes eyeliner.
Jewellery	Jewellery may not be worn, except for a small, simple symbol of one of the world's recognised major religions on a simple chain; a watch, and simple stud earrings (maximum one per ear). Earrings should be removed for PE. No other piercings are allowed.

Uniforms will be regularly checked by form tutors.

Sanctions:

- Students wearing obvious makeup will be asked to remove it.
- Students wearing any other items of jewellery other than the ones stated above will be sent to the front office to remove them. They can be collected at the end of the day..
- If a student is wearing inappropriate socks or tights, or not within the time frames stated above, she will be sent to the front office to borrow the correct uniform. This will need to be washed and returned the next day; if the items are not returned, a charge for replacement items will be added to the parents' school account.
- If a student's skirt does not adhere to the rules, she will be asked to change it by the next day. If this does not happen, the Head of Year or one of the Deputy Heads will speak to her about it. If the issue becomes persistent, she may be given a detention or told to go home and change into the appropriate school uniform.



- Where a student does not follow a rule, she will be spoken to about it and a letter will be sent home to parents. If it becomes regular, parents will be contacted and the student will receive a detention with the Deputy Head Pastoral. If the issue becomes persistent, we will follow our School Discipline and Sanctions policy to escalate the concern further.

Guidance on uniform checking

It is important that staff monitor uniform and pick up when a student is not wearing the correct school uniform. We do also recognise that students can be sensitive and it can be challenging for staff to address issues if they arise. The general guidance is to refer to the school rule and uniform, rather than making direct comments about a student's appearance.

Please see some suggested phrases to use if needed to help manage these conversations:

- Your uniform does not match our school rules; please adjust your skirt/ wear a school jumper, wear tights without holes
- Our school rules state you are not allowed to wear jewellery; please remove your rings/necklaces and take them to the front office
- Please check the uniform list in your school planner and check your uniform adheres to the rules - self-check and/or check each other's uniform.
- You need to be wearing a school jumper; take off your hoodie and ensure you wear your school uniform from now on
- Your skirt should not be rolled up or too short; please ensure you wear your school uniform correctly from now on.

Hoodies

The School policy on hoodies is designed to create a harmony between promoting the community spirit during significant School events and upholding our commitment to environmental and financial sustainability. In line with this, hoodies may only be offered on specific occasions, including when a school team achieves National Finals in a sporting activity, during tours lasting more than a week, for whole-school drama productions, and on overseas ski trips. This policy ensures that our students represent the school proudly while aligning with our commitment to responsible and sustainable practices.

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