

STRATHEARN SCHOOL UNIFORM REGULATIONS

Uniform plays a valuable role in contributing to the unique character of a school. It can instil pride and encourage identity with, and support for, our school ethos. Though uniform can seem expensive, it is sensible, practical and, with care, can last for some time. A uniform list with details of suppliers is issued to parents each academic year. For safekeeping it is essential that all items of clothing and equipment are clearly marked with the owner's name.

SECONDARY DEPARTMENT UNIFORM LIST 2010 – 11

The pupils of Strathearn are expected to wear the correct uniform at all times. This is an important part of our school identity and reflects a respect for both self and school.

Official Stockists of School Uniform

Gowdys 121 - 131 Woodstock Road Belfast Tel: 028 9045 9052	Warnocks Ltd 791-793 Lisburn Road Belfast Tel: 028 9038 1828	Alan Espey 33 High Street Newtownards Tel: 028 9181 5076
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Compulsory items for all year groups:

- **Blazer** [to be worn to and from and around school; may be removed in classroom / study / common room]
- **Black tights** as standard winter uniform (40 denier or more)
- **Shoes** – plain black leather / leather look, laced or slip-on shoes
 - **Forms 1 – 3:** flat / continuous sole
 - **Forms 4 – 6:** flat / low heels. Heels must be no more than 5 cm (2") in height, measured on the outside of the heel, and must be block / cone heels.

(See Footwear Regulations for additional information and examples)

Optional:

- **Regulation green cardigan or v-necked pullover**
- **Regulation school scarf**
- **Approved coats* :**
 - Target Dry olive green waterproof over-jacket ('mac-in-the-sac');
 - Green fleece-lined waterproof coat from official stockists;
 - Strathearn sports jacket (previously available from PE Department).

***These are not to be worn as a substitute for the blazer.**

FORMS 1 – 3 UNIFORM

WINTER UNIFORM

- **Blazer**
- **A-line green skirt** (*knee length*)
- **Beige long-sleeved blouse** buttoned at neck
- **Regulation tie**
- **Black tights** (40 denier or more)
- **Black leather / leather look shoes of the approved type**
(see Footwear Regulations)

SUMMER UNIFORM (Summer term and September*)

- **Blazer**
- **Skirt** (as above)
- **Turquoise open-necked, short-sleeved blouse**
- **Beige, knee-length socks**
- **Black leather / leather look shoes of the approved type** (as above)

Optional:

- **Regulation green cardigan or v-necked pullover**
 - **Regulation school scarf**
 - **Approved coats** :**
 - Target Dry olive green waterproof over-jacket ('mac-in-the-sac');
 - Green fleece-lined waterproof coat from official stockists;
 - Strathearn sports jacket (previously available from PE Department).
- **These are not to be worn as a substitute for the blazer.**

*** Form 1 pupils do not need Summer uniform until the Summer term of next year.**

FORMS 4 -5 UNIFORM

WINTER UNIFORM

- **Blazer**
- **All round green box pleated skirt** (*below the knee, knee must be covered*)
- **Beige long-sleeved blouse**, buttoned at neck
- **Regulation tie**
- **Black tights** (40 denier or more)
- **Black leather / leather look shoes of the approved type**
(see Footwear Regulations)

SUMMER UNIFORM (Summer term and September)

- **Blazer**
- **Skirt** (as above)
- **Turquoise open-necked, short-sleeved blouse**
- **Black tights** (40 denier or more)
- **Black leather / leather look shoes of the approved type** (as above)

Optional:

- **Regulation green cardigan or v-necked pullover**
- **Regulation school scarf**
- **Approved coats*** :
 - Target Dry olive green waterproof over-jacket ('mac-in-the-sac');
 - Green fleece-lined waterproof coat from official stockists;
 - Strathearn sports jacket (previously available from PE Department).

***These are not to be worn as a substitute for the blazer.**

SIXTH FORM UNIFORM:

WINTER UNIFORM

- **Blazer***
- **All round green box pleated skirt** (*below the knee, knee must be covered*)
- **White* long-sleeved blouse**, buttoned at neck.
- **Sixth Form tie**
- **Black tights** (40 or more denier)
- **Black leather / leather look shoes of the approved type**
(see Footwear Regulations)

****Exceptions for 2010-11 only:***

U6: *white or beige long-sleeved blouse, blazer to be worn if they have one, but no requirement to purchase a new one.*

SUMMER UNIFORM (Summer term and September)

- **Blazer**
- **Skirt** (as above)
- **White open-necked, short-sleeved blouse**
- **Black tights** (40 or more denier)
- **Black leather / leather look shoes of the approved type** (as above)

Optional:

- **Regulation green cardigan or v-necked pullover**
- **Sixth form scarf**
- **Approved coats*** :
 - Target Dry olive green waterproof over-jacket ('mac-in-the-sac');
 - Green fleece-lined waterproof coat from official stockists;
 - Strathearn sports jacket (previously available from PE Department).

***These are not to be worn as a substitute for the blazer.**

Accepted dress code for U6 during Summer Term

U6 pupils will be permitted to wear their own clothes during the Summer Term, but must adhere to the following dress code:

Pupils must wear clothing suitable for a school environment.
Clothing must be modest at all times:

- no low cut tops / backless sun tops / exposed midriffs
- no shorts / miniskirts with bare legs

Normal piercing rules apply.

UNIFORM NOTES

Uniform should be worn in the appropriate manner, with blouse top buttons done up, blouses tucked into waistbands and ties properly knotted. Scarves or outdoor coats should not be worn indoors. Make-up, coloured nail polish, unnatural hair colours and extreme hairstyles are not permitted.

1. Labelling: All property brought to school, including items of uniform, must be clearly marked with the owner's name.

Girls are responsible for the safekeeping of their own property.

2. Travelling: Correct school uniform must be worn to and from school. Approved school coats and scarves only are permitted with blazers.

3. Jewellery: One simple ring is permitted, as are two small, stud type earrings worn in the **ear lobes***. Other items of jewellery should not be brought to school. School or approved charity badges only may be worn.

*** Nose, eyebrow, tongue, lip piercings or additional earrings are totally unacceptable with school uniform.** (See Uniform Guidance on Piercings for further details and examples.)

4. Sports Uniform: Sports gear should be worn only during **PE** or **Games** sessions. Special permission must be obtained to wear it at any other time.

Hoodies are not considered to be part of normal regulation school uniform and must not be worn to, from, or during school. This includes those manufactured specifically for a particular school group / occasion.

The school will be sensitive to the needs of different cultures, races and religions and try to accommodate these needs within its uniform policy.

PE UNIFORM

FORM 1

(And as replacement for existing PE uniform for older pupils)

Required from September:

- Skort
- Polo Shirt
- Hooded Sweat shirt
- Track Suit Bottoms
- Shorts
- Socks (knee length)
- White Ankle Socks

Optional

- Rain jacket
- Gymnastic slippers

Sports Equipment

- 1 pair of trainers for indoors
- 1 pair of trainers for outdoors
- Hockey stick
- Sports bag (no regulations as to colour or shape)
- Gum shield and shin guards
- Towel for swimming
- Swimsuit & Cap

Summer Term - not required until March

- Tennis racket

Optional

- Tennis dress or skirt
- Spikes

N.B. From September 2010 it will no longer be possible to buy the existing PE kit, including the existing sports jacket.

PE Policy: Pupils must bring a parental note if they wish to be excused from PE. Non-participants will be expected to wear trainers, tracksuit bottoms and hooded sweatshirt.

PE Uniform for:

Hockey	Polo shirt, skort, socks, trainers, tracksuit bottoms, hooded sweat shirt, hockey stick, gum shield, shin guards
Netball	Polo shirt, skort, socks, trainers, tracksuit bottoms, hooded sweat shirt
Gymnastics	Polo shirt, shorts, socks, trainers
Dance	Polo shirt, skort, socks, trainers
Tennis	Polo shirt and skort, white ankle socks, trainers, tennis racket
Athletics	Polo shirt, shorts, white ankle socks, trainers

N.B. The Physical Education staff will be pleased to give advice to parents about the purchase of Sports Equipment.

FOOTWEAR REGULATIONS

We would like to draw the attention of parents/guardians to the importance of buying regulation footwear for pupils. If you are planning to purchase new footwear for the autumn term, or should you have to do so at any other stage of the school year, you should note carefully the regulations below.

School shoes must be plain black leather / leather look, laced or slip-on shoes.

- **Forms 1 – 3:** flat / continuous sole
- **Forms 4 – 6:** flat / low heels. Heels must be no more than 5 cm (2") in height, measured on the outside of the heel, and must be block / cone heels.

(See Guidance below for additional information and examples)

Trainers must not be worn except for PE / Sports.

Please note: the following do not conform to school regulations and must not be purchased to be worn with school uniform:

- platform shoes;
- shoes with suede, patent or canvas finish;
- stiletto heels;
- kitten heels;
- narrow wedge heels;

In recent years **ballet pumps** have become very popular. From experience we have found that these shoes tend to lack the necessary support / sturdiness to last for any appreciable length of time. **We would therefore advise against purchasing this type of shoe.**

Parents of pupils whose shoes do not conform to school regulations will be asked to purchase new shoes immediately.

Guidance on styles of shoes

FORMS 1 – 3

These types of shoe style are acceptable



Guidance on styles of shoes

FORMS 4 – U6

These types of shoe style are acceptable



Guidance on styles of shoes

These styles of shoes are NOT acceptable



No canvas



Ballet pumps not
advisable, too flimsy and
lacking in support

Please make sure that any shoes with heels are of a "block / cone style" with at least a 3.5cms / 1½ inch base.

GUIDANCE ON PIERCINGS:

Girls may wear one simple, small stud in the ear lobe only.



Other piercings are not permitted. These include

- nose studs
- nose rings
- eyebrow piercings
- lip studs
- tongue piercings.



nose studs are not permitted