THE SNAITH SCHOOL

Pupil Uniform Policy

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We believe a uniform plays a valuable role in contributing to our ethos and culture and sets an appropriate tone for education. It can provide a sense of belonging and identity, instill pride; support positive behaviour and discipline. It can also ensure pupils of all backgrounds feel supported and protect children from social pressures to dress in a particular way, wear the latest fashions or other expensive clothes. It can also promote good relations between different groups of pupils. By creating a common identity amongst all pupils, regardless of background, a school uniform can act as a social leveler.

We regard school uniform as an important element in maintaining high standards, however we believe that parents and carers should not have to think about the cost of school uniform when choosing The Snaith School for their children.

The school uniform policy adheres to the Education Alliance Principles regarding school uniform and this policy considers the Statutory Guidance "Cost of School Uniforms" published in November 2021.

How should our uniform be worn?
All pupils are expected to follow these expectations consistently and without question. The following expectations regarding school uniform apply on the journey to and from school and during the school day.

Pupils should always have their top button on their shirts fastened, their shirt tucked into trousers or skirts and their ties should have nine stripes displayed, (16 stripes should be displayed if they are a school prefect).

Uniform items must be plain, without accessories, logos, decoration or any other colours. It is important that all uniform items are labelled. Much of our uniform can be purchased from high street retailers, but care must be taken to ensure these items meet the requirements as set out below.

Pupils that are in receipt of Free School Meals may be eligible for support when purchasing items of school uniform. For further information or any other enquires regarding uniform please contact Pupil Services in the first instance.

Uniform Item	How it should be worn at The Snaith School
School Blazer (Compulsory item)	A navy school blazer is a compulsory uniform item and should always be worn. The sleeves of the blazer should always be worn to the wrist. The blazer is available from our uniform provider "Clothes for Little People" trading as The School Uniform Shop. Purchases and orders can be made by visiting their retail shop at The School Uniform Shop, 26-28 Pasture Road, Goole, DN14 6EZ, online at https://www.theschooluniformshop.co.uk/ or by e-mail to enquiries@theschooluniformshop.co.uk **Parents and carers can decide to purchase a navy blazer from a retail outlet, this blazer will then need to have the school logo embroidered on to it,** The School Uniform Shop will provide this service at a cost of £5.
Tie (Compulsory item)	Ties should be worn in good condition, with the top button of shirt fastened, with at least 9 stripes displayed. This can be purchased from school. **For the new Year 7 from September 2024 we require all pupil to wear a clip-on tie. If as a parent or carer you are replacing your child's tie for the academic year 2023-24, you have the choice of purchasing a traditional tie or a clip-on tie.** Ties are available also available from our uniform provider "Clothes for Little People" trading as The School Uniform Shop. Purchases and orders can be made by visiting the retail shop at The School Uniform Shop, 26-28 Pasture Road, Goole, DN14 6EZ, online at https://www.theschooluniformshop.co.uk/ or by e-mail to enquiries@theschooluniformshop.co.uk

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White shirt (Compulsory item)	Shirts should be plain white, with no trim, motifs or with coloured buttons. Shirts must have a stiff pointed collar and be worn tucked in. They must be long enough to tuck in and wide enough at the neck to fasten the top button. If a t-shirt is worn underneath for warmth, it must be plain white with no writing/logos on it. **These can be purchased from any high street retailer.**
Black trousers	Trousers should be smart, formal, classic trousers, of waist height and below ankle length (not jeans or denim or leggings.) If worn with a belt, this must be a thin black belt (no fashion belts/large buckles). No additional zips or pocket trims are allowed on trousers. **These can be purchased from any high street retailer.**
Skirts **(Optional Item)**	A navy pleated skirt that is of a standard length and style. There are two skirts available from our uniform provider. These are the **only skirts allowed** to be worn at school; no other skirts or styles will be allowed. **The correct length of skirt should be purchased so that the skirt sits just above the knee.** Skirts should be worn with tights. **They must not be rolled over at the top to make them shorter. The 18-inch skirt is intended for younger or smaller pupils for whom longer lengths are not suitable. This length is only available through the uniform shop and should be ordered directly if required.** Both skirts are available from our uniform provider "Clothes for Little People" trading as The School Uniform Shop. Purchases and orders can be made by visiting their retail shop at The School Uniform Shop, 26-28 Pasture Road, Goole, DN14 6EZ, online at https://www.theschooluniformshop.co.uk/ or by e-mail to enquiries@theschooluniformshop.co.uk
Jumper **(Optional item)**	A plain navy V-necked jumper can be worn underneath the blazer for warmth. The jumper should not be tucked into skirts or trousers**. The jumper is an optional item and does not replace the blazer**. The jumper must not be worn on its own without a blazer. **This can be purchased from any high street retailer, however the jumper stocked by** "Clothes for Little People" trading as The School Uniform Shop is very reasonably priced at £6. Hoodies/sweatshirts are a prohibited item and must not be brought to school or worn as a coat. Pupils who wear a hoodie to school will have this item confiscated and returned at the end of the day. Pupils should, instead, wear a coat to school that fits over their blazer.
Shoes	Plain black or brown leather, suede, or synthetic (leather or suede look) shoes. Shoes should provide adequate protection and support. They should have no labels or logos/names on them. They should be flat heeled and if shoes have laces, laces should be tied. The following footwear are **not** acceptable for school, trainers, pumps (canvas), boots (footwear that covers the ankle and above) and sandals. Footwear should be practical and stand up to the 'wear and tear' of school life.

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	If you were to buy **'school shoes'** from high street shops, they might look like this: ✓ The following footwear is unacceptable at The Snaith School ✗
Socks	Plain black or dark grey socks are allowed. **White socks are <u>not allowed</u>** in school. Socks must be worn so that they are long enough to pull underneath trousers. **Trainer socks are <u>not allowed</u> to be worn.**
Tights	Tights should be worn with skirts, these should be plain, black or navy, these must be opaque and a minimum of 40 denier. No additional socks should be worn over or under tights.
Outdoor Coat	**<u>This should not be worn inside the school building</u>**. Pupils can place this in their locker or in their bags at the start of the school day. Pupils are expected to bring a coat to school during colder weather which can fit over the top of the blazer and not be a replacement for the blazer. Coats should be insulated and ideally weather/waterproof. The school recommends against the wearing of expensive designer coats.
School Bag	This should be of a suitable size that is large enough to carry exercise books and folders that are A4 in size.
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Jewellery and Piercing	Pupils can wear a watch and one pair of small round studs (one earring in each ear), hooped earrings are not allowed. No other jewellery or piercings are allowed in school; this includes any kind of facial or body piercing. Smart watches are not allowed unless there is a medical exception. Pupils can wear medical alert bracelets where required.
Make-up	Any make-up worn by older pupils (Y10 and Y11 only) should be very discreet. Pupils will be asked to remove their make-up if it is not considered very discreet. False eyelashes, lash extensions etc. are not allowed in school. Pupils will be expected to remove these or risk being out of circulation until the issue is resolved.
Nail Polish and False Nails	Nail polish and any type of false nails (including clear gels, acrylics, extensions, and shellac etc.) are not allowed.

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Hair Styles	Hairstyles and colour should be sensible; any extremes of hairstyle and colour are not acceptable. Please check with your child's Head of Year before considering any dramatic changes to style or colour. No patterns or tramlines should be shaved into hairstyles.
Expensive outdoor items	These should not be brought to school.
Badges	These are not allowed, other than responsibility badges for example prefect or badges denoting personal accomplishments such as academic rewards and sporting awards and music awards.

Please note:

If pupils are not wearing the required uniform, where possible an alternative will be provided by the school. If this is not possible, pupils may be sent home to change or kept out of circulation until uniform issues are rectified. If you are unsure about the information above, please contact the school before making your purchases.

Summer uniform
During the summer months the optional school jumper is not required to be worn. The summer uniform will be implemented from the start of May.

Exemptions

As part of the schools' commitment to inclusion pupils may be exempt from certain aspects of the uniform policy due to their religion, culture or an identified SEN or disability. Requests should be made in writing to the Head of Upper or Lower School. All requests will be considered on an individual basis.

The uniform rules are simple: wear the uniform correctly.

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PE Kit

It is very important for both safety and hygiene that the correct school PE kit is purchased. The standard of PE kit must be comparable with the school uniform itself.

Uniform Item	How it should be worn at The Snaith School
PE Top **(Compulsory item)**	**All pupils:** Royal blue and yellow T-shirt The PE top is a compulsory uniform item for all pupils. This is available from our uniform provider "Clothes for Little People" trading as The School Uniform Shop. Purchases and orders can be made by visiting their retail shop at The School Uniform Shop, 26-28 Pasture Road, Goole, DN14 6EZ, online at https://www.theschooluniformshop.co.uk/ or by e-mail to enquiries@theschooluniformshop.co.uk
PE Shorts **(Optional item)**	**All pupils:** Royal blue shorts The PE shorts are an **optional item**, if pupils choose to wear PE shorts, these **must be worn** with PE socks. Both items are available from our uniform provider "Clothes for Little People" trading as The School Uniform Shop. **Pupils should either wear leggings or shorts and socks.**
Black Leggings **(Optional item)**	Black leggings can be worn by all pupils, **leggings must not be branded or have names or logos**. They should be of thick quality and suitable for sporting activities (not thin fashion leggings).
PE Socks	Royal blue socks with gold tops. Socks must be worn if a pupil has chosen to wear PE shorts between the months of September and April. For Summer Sports from May to July, pupils can opt to wear plain white socks unless taking part in activities requiring shin pads. For pupils opting to wear leggings, plain white socks must be worn with the leggings. **Please note**: socks with logos are not acceptable for school.
Footwear	Trainers/football boots. Ideally molded footwear for the 3G pitch.
PE ¼ zip top **(Optional item)**	Royal blue and yellow ¼ zipped top

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Mouth Guards	The PE Department recommends that for certain invasion games, e.g. rugby and hockey, mouth guards or 'gum shields' should be worn. These are readily available through sports shops and do reduce the possibility of dental gum damage in the event of a collision.
Hair Bobble	Hair must tied back for all activities with a hair bobble, which pupils must bring as part of their PE Kit.

Please note:

- *It is recommended that protective equipment is worn for some sports e.g. gum shield, shin pads etc.*

Responsibility cannot be accepted for unmarked clothing and parents/carers are **advised NOT** to send their children to school with items of expensive clothing.

Preloved Uniform

The SSA welcomes donations of uniform which we can offer to parents in return for a small donation. Items can also be swapped with other preloved uniform items if a child has outgrown their uniform midway through the year.

Where can I buy uniform from and how much will it cost?

We are affiliated to The School Uniform Shop in Goole for many of our uniform items such as the school blazer, skirt, tie and compulsory PE kit items. Items can be purchased and ordered from The School Uniform Shop, 26-28 Pasture Road, Goole, DN14 6EZ, online at https://www.theschooluniformshop.co.uk/ or by e-mail to enquiries@theschooluniformshop.co.uk. All other items can be purchased from supermarkets or from other high street stores. Any uniform purchased must adhere to our uniform policy.

What should I do if there is a problem with my child's uniform?

Give your child a signed and dated note to show to the Pupil Services. Your child may be issued with temporary uniform items or a uniform pass for the day.

What should I do if there is a problem with my child's PE kit?

Give your child a signed and dated note to hand to their PE teacher. They will be issued with a replacement kit to wear for the lesson.

What will happen if my child wears incorrect uniform?

If your child is not wearing the required uniform, where possible an alternative will be provided by the school.
Pupils may be kept out of circulation until uniform issues are rectified. Persistently wearing the uniform incorrectly will result in the application of the tiered sanctions system which will be proportionately applied based on the frequency of uniform issues identified.
If your child chooses to wear a skirt, this must be of an acceptable length and must not be rolled up. The school

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may make the decision that if there are persistent breaches of the policy, a pupil may be prohibited from wearing the uniform item until the issue is resolved.

How can I help my child not to lose any items of their uniform?
You should try to label as many items as possible; this means that if items are lost or misplaced, they can be quickly returned.

What should I do if an item of clothing is lost?
Any items of clothing found will be taken to lost property. If you wish for your child to check lost property they should speak to reception.

We rely on the co-operation of parents and carers in maintaining excellent standards of uniform in accordance with our policy.