

CHRIST'S HOSPITAL
PUPILS' DRESS CODE

Aim

1. The aim of this Policy is to specify the regulations by which pupils are to wear uniform or their own clothes in and around the School. It also covers the wearing of jewellery etc.

Introduction

2. The Housey uniform is one of the School's most cherished traditions. Wherever and whenever it is worn, it must be worn with pride and with care for its neatness and cleanliness. Attention-seeking styles of dress, hair and personal ornamentation are not appropriate.

School uniform

3. Pupils are expected to wear their full school uniform during the working day and at all formal school occasions (i.e. lessons, chapel, breakfast, lunch, lectures, concerts). All internal events where there are members of public, for example school theatre productions, Housey must be worn. This applies if the pupil is accompanied by family members. The wearing of uniform may also be specified by the Headmaster for other important occasions, such as for a VIP visit to the school.
4. After lessons, pupils may change into their own clothes unless they are attending a formal occasion. These clothes should be clean and suitable for wearing at School. If a member of staff judges clothing to be inappropriate, the pupil concerned will be required to return to House and change into something more appropriate.
5. Pupils may wear a single pair of small earrings (in the lower lobe of the ear), a plain ring on a finger, a wristwatch and one unobtrusive bracelet or wrist band. For safety reasons, no jewellery should be worn in games, PE lessons and in some practical subjects, for example Design & Technology.
6. Tongue studs or other facial piercings should not be worn.
7. Tattoos are not allowed.
8. Plain black shoes, without logos or coloured trims, must be worn with uniform. Plimsolls and trainers are not allowed.
9. Scarves, hats and gloves should be in school colours or be plain navy or plain black.

Hair

10. Hair should be tidy and clean. When wearing uniform, pupils with long hair, below shoulder length, should tie it back using a black or dark blue band or dark clip; no other hair ornaments should be used. Extreme hair styles, for example shaved areas, unnatural dyeing and coloured braiding, extensions or beads are not allowed. Pupils' hair should not be cut below a 1.5 head style cut. Any pupil who contravenes this will be sent home for a period of time until their hair has started to grow back

11. Make up with uniform is not allowed. Nail varnish, whilst wearing uniform, is not allowed.

Facial Hair

12. Pupils must be free of facial hair.

Dress in Dining Hall

13. The following dress is required in the Dining Hall:

- for breakfast and lunch from Monday to Saturday – School uniform
- for tea and on Sunday – own clothes.

14. Pupils' own clothes worn in the Dining Hall must be of an acceptable standard. It should be noted that:

- no hats may be worn;
- tops should be appropriate (e.g. no midriffs and not too revealing)
- appropriate footwear should be worn
- clean, school issued sports kit is acceptable

Informal Situations

15. Pupils are at liberty to wear their own clothes outside of formal school commitments. These clothes should be clean and appropriate. If a staff member judges clothing or jewellery to be inappropriate, the pupil concerned will be asked to return to their boarding house to change.

Reminder:

16. What is an acceptable standard is at the discretion of staff.

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