

The Code of Dress – September 2015

How students dress for school is an important part of how they behave and helps to set the right expectations and standards as a community. Any student failing or refusing to follow these guidelines will be sent home or isolated until they are able to do so.

With all aspects of uniform we do our utmost to provide images of acceptable and unacceptable uniform on the school website to allow correct choices to be made. If in doubt, please refer to this information and ask for advice before making purchases.

It is at the discretion of the school to make decisions regarding uniform that does not conform to the requirements set out in this guide. Please remember that choosing The Marches School implies a willingness to conform to our school uniform guidelines at all times. This policy is also fully endorsed by the school's board of governors.

THE CODE OF DRESS

Plain white shirt with collar and buttons that fasten to the neck, not polo shirts or a blouse

School tie worn in a small knot that covers the top button - purchased from the school

School V neck sweater (school logo style) grey (Black in Year 11) - Purchased from the school

Plain black trousers or skirt.

Trousers must be smart school style only. Trousers must not be skin tight, hipster or legging style. Material should not be cord, denim, Cotton Jeans style and trousers should not contain cargo pockets, Jeans style rivets or logo labels (eg a red label on the back pocket)

Skirts must be no shorter than 2cm above the knee with no fashion detailing such as pockets, patches or zips and should not cling to the body or ride up whilst walking. They should be pleated in style.

Plain, non-patterned socks or tights in white, black or grey – socks must be ankle length only.

Guidance on Girls Trousers from Named Suppliers to support you in your choices:

Miss Sexy Skinny or Hipster trousers are **not** suitable as school trousers.



Trousers from Next:



Skinny Jeans style trousers are not suitable

Bootcut or Slim Fit Formal Style are a good choice

Trousers from Marks & spencer:



Bootleg or Slim leg are both good choices



Trousers from Asda:



Available up to 16 years

From £3

School Girls Jersey Charm Trousers



Available up to 16 years

From £3

School Girls Woven Trousers



From £3

School Girls Woven Trousers



From £3.50

Woven Trousers



From £5

Teen Woven Trousers

The large range of woven trousers are all good choices



Trousers from Debenhams:



Girls black school trousers are a good choice

Trousers from Tesco:

Three good choices



Boot cut



Star Fob



Stretch Trousers

Sainsbury's School Trousers:

Sainsbury's are currently selling suitable trousers but images are not yet available on their website.

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Examples of skirts that are acceptable as school uniform



Plain, non-patterned socks or tights in white, black or grey – socks must be ankle length only

Shoes (or boots worn under trousers only) must be plain black leather style not canvas, in any sensible style with a maximum of 2cm heel. Footwear must not have coloured flashes in any part of the shoe, buckles or eyelets must be black. Trainers or canvas style pumps are not permitted.

Examples of shoes that are NOT acceptable as school uniform



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Coat – Single colour plain coats without patterns, logos or slogans or may be worn. Tracksuit tops and Hoodies (either over the head or zip up) are not allowed as outdoor coats.

Examples of tops that are NOT acceptable to be worn over the uniform as a coat



Summer Uniform – in the last half term of the year.

Jumpers do not need to be brought into school. If students wish to wear a shirt that does not tuck in, this should be a **short fitted variety** with a collar and button fastening to the neck in the usual way. Normal longer shirts may be worn but these will need to be tucked in.

Jewellery - Only one plain ear stud in each ear is allowed. Only one ring is allowed. Bangles or visible necklaces are not permitted. Stretcher or flesh ring style earrings must be flesh coloured and flat to the ear.

Hair - Extreme hair styles including tram lines or unnatural colours are not permitted - Hair length should be a minimum “number two” in length. Fashion hair accessories such as bows and flowers and baseball caps are not permitted.

Makeup – Nail polish and makeup is not permitted in KS3. At KS4 makeup should be natural and modest; nail polish must not be worn.

Belts – May be worn if black and being used for its functional purpose, not for fashion, and not visible below or on top of the jumper.

Visible facial or body piercing including **tongue piercings** may not be worn unless worn as an aspect of a clearly identified religious faith.

Any extreme fashion which may from time to time become popular should be reserved for leisure wear outside school and should not be worn to school