

School Uniform

Overview

The school uniform at MCS was introduced in 2018 after extensive consultation with students, families, staff, governors and others.

Grants to support families with the purchase of school uniform are available on an annual basis. Please click [this link](#) for further information.

All students are required to wear MCS uniform smartly and with pride. The policy applies whilst in school, when travelling to and from school and when in the local community.

- Blazers must be worn, except in class when permitted by a member of staff.
- Shirts must be tucked in.
- Trousers must reach the top of the shoe.
- Non-uniform items are not permitted.
- Bags must be of a good enough size to hold several books and all required equipment.

Suppliers

All Items are available from Monkhouse Hereford, from Trutex Direct, or online: www.monkhouse.com.

Branded items

Branded items (Blazer, tie, PE tops) must be bought from the above suppliers.

Generic items

Generic items such as shirts, blouses, trousers and skirts can be bought from the approved supplier. Families are also welcome to purchase these generic items from other retailers as long as they are an exact style and colour match to the MCS uniform. Please check against the generic items on the official supplier websites to ensure that they match.

No visible logos are permitted. Other styles and/or colours from other retailers are not acceptable uniform (e.g. the blue for PE shorts is a navy blue, not royal blue or mid blue). If in doubt please enquire with us before purchasing.

Gender neutral uniform

MCS uniform is gender neutral. Suppliers currently refer to 'boys' and 'girls' uniform, and this is noted below only for clarity of reference for students and families whilst ordering. Students and families are at liberty to select the compulsory uniform from the full range of items outlined below.

Summer Uniform

Summer uniform at MCS entails students not being obliged to wear their blazers to school. Summer uniform starts at the start of the summer public examination period. The precise date varies and is announced annually to students and families.

Compulsory items

Girls (please refer to note on gender neutral uniform above)	Monkhouse Order Code	Trutex Order code
Badged Contemporary Blazer - Navy	SKU AXAE0002804NA	BAGB2512- NVY
Trousers - Graphite Grey OR GKS Pleated Skirt - Graphite Grey OR Back Vent Skirt – Harrow Grey	SKU 1000000280GY SKU 10000002814GP SKU 0000002816HWGY	GTN-GRA GKS-GRA GSA-HGY
Fitted Long Sleeve Blouse (Twin pack) – Blue OR Fitted Short Sleeve Blouse - Blue	SKU 10000000283BL SKU 10000000287BL	SLB-BLU SSB-BLU

Boys (please refer to note on gender neutral uniform above)	Monkhouse Order Code	Trutex Order code
Badged Contemporary Blazer - Navy	SKU AXAE0002754NA	BABB2512-NVY
Slim Leg Trousers – Grey OR Flat Front Trousers - Grey	SKU 10000003267GY SKU 10000000263GY	TLT-GRY TSF-GRY
Easycare Short Sleeve Shirt (Twin Pack)– Blue OR Easycare Long Sleeve Shirt (Twin Pack) – Blue	SKU 10000000196BL SKU 10000000198BL	NSS-BLU NLS-BLU

Additional compulsory items for all

	Monkhouse Order Code	Trutex Order code
School Tie Y7-Y11	SKU AXAE0904906NASX	Only available from Monkhouse and School
School Tie Y12-Y13	SKU AXAE0904905NAGO	Only available from Monkhouse and School
Socks: plain black, grey or white – ankle or $\frac{3}{4}$ length	These can be purchased from any retailer	
Tights: natural or black. (No patterned tights.)	These can be purchased from any retailer	
Shoes: must be plain black leather or leather-look shoe - 6cm max heel. (No trainers, and no boots.)	These can be purchased from any retailer	

Optional items

	Monkhouse Order Code	Trutex Order code
Navy Unisex Badged Cotton Blend Jumper	SKU AXAE0003261NA	BNBV10301-NVY
Tailored Shorts (Grey)	SKU 10000000181GY	SPS-GRY / SES-GRY
Plain coat – no designer labels or hooded jumpers are to be worn.	These can be purchased from any retailer	

School shoes

We appreciate that there is a certain amount of overlap and interpretation over what constitutes a shoe rather than a trainer. Therefore, we hope that the following is a helpful guide:

- School shoes must be plain – no obvious logos, tags etc.
- Shoes must be entirely black.
- Shoes must be leather or leather-look. They must be polishable.
- No suede, canvas etc. as these types of footwear are less robust and less waterproof.

- Some sports brands (such as Nike, Adidas, etc.) offer shoe-like footwear as part of their range. Whilst we cannot list every model of footwear that is or is not appropriate, we are aware that models such as Nike Air Force 1 are popular. If this particular model is bought then please could the silver tag at the front be removed, and the shoe be polished.
- As with any aspect of school uniform, please ask for advice before purchasing if in any doubt.

Jewellery

- No facial jewellery - No piercing of eyebrow, lip, nose, tongue, chin, etc. No facial jewellery of any type is permissible.
- No magnetic jewellery of any type is permitted.
- One pair of stud type earrings. Ear studs may be worn but not rings or other styles. 'Stretcher' style earrings, spikes and flesh tunnels are not permitted.
- One necklace, to be worn underneath shirt or blouse.
- One 'band' type ring and/or a wristwatch
- No other jewellery or tattoos permissible

Hair and make up

Hair colour should be either natural or dyed one natural colour. 'Dip-dyed' or Ombre hair is not permitted.

No bleaching, extreme colour or extreme styles such as tram lines.

Make-up should look natural and with no extremes.

Nail varnish should be a natural colour. False nails are not permitted.

PE kit

	Monkhouse Order Code	Trutex Order code
Unisex Badged Sector Reversible Top - Navy / Cyclone	SKU AXAE0002749NACC	BETOL10301-NCY
Unisex Pro Socks - Navy / Cyclone Stripe	SKU AXAE0904904NACC	ATS040-NCY
EITHER Unisex Multi Sports Short – Navy	SKU 10000002742NA	MSH-NVY
OR Sports Skort - Navy	SKU 10000003251NA	MSK-NVY
OR Generic plain Navy short (no visible logos)	Any retailer	

EITHER Boys Badged Sector Fitted Polo - Navy / Cyclone	SKU AXAE0904903NACC	BEPB10301-NCY
OR Girls Badged Sector Fitted Polo - Navy / Cyclone	SKU AXAE0002746NACC	BEPG10301-NCY
Shin pads	These can be purchased from any retailer	
Sports trainers	These can be purchased from any retailer	
Rugby / football boots	These can be purchased from any retailer	

Optional:

	Monkhouse Order Code	Trutex Order code
Unisex Track Pants – Navy – Cyclone	SKU 10000003249NACC	PTP-NCY
OR Generic Navy track pants	Any retailer	
Leggings – Navy	SKU 10000002743NA	ASL-NVY
OR Generic Navy leggings	Any retailer	

P.E. uniform items are available from the same suppliers as that of the main uniform.

Additional notes

Students are required to ensure that they wear their uniform in the way set out in this Policy, and that that they immediately correct any uniform infractions that are identified by staff.

No single Uniform Policy can guarantee to cover every possible eventuality, and MCS reserves the right to use professional judgement to determine what is or is not appropriate uniform.

Persistent refusal to meet uniform expectations will be treated under the Behaviour Policy as refusal to follow the direction of the School, and sanctions will be applied at the discretion of the School.

Any medical exceptions require a letter from the hospital or G.P. before any exemptions are made. The Form Tutor or Wellbeing Team should be contacted to discuss any concerns.

This Policy complies with all aspects of the *Statutory guidance for school governing bodies on school uniform and appearance policies 2019*.