

Wallingford School Uniform

Uniform supplier: The school's main school uniform supplier is SWI (www.swischoolwear.co.uk). They deliver directly to parents or to the school.

For deliveries directly to parents, there may be a delivery charge (see the supplier website for further detail). SWI deliver to the school free of charge once a week **during term time only**. This is currently a Thursday. Items are distributed to students via their form tutor.

School uniform shop: For ties, blazers and PE sale items – items which are held in school – there is a separate school shop. This can be accessed via the school website: <https://wallingfordschool.com/index.php/parents-2/uniform-regulations>

This webpage also includes a link to the main supplier's site.

The school's priority is to ensure uniform remains affordable. As part of this, the school holds a stock of **second-hand uniform**. If families are struggling to meet the cost of uniform, we would advise them to contact their head of year in the first instance.

The school also holds scheduled sales – usually once a year in summer term – which are published on the school website and are communicated via email and social media.

The school uniform is as follows:

Item	Branding	Information	How to acquire
Blazer	School badge	Optional item Black with school badge.	Branded blazer available from school supplier or second-hand from school.
Jumper	School badge	Navy V-neck jumper with school badge. Must be worn if blazer is not worn.	Branded jumper available from school supplier or second-hand from school.
Tie	House colour	Wallingford school tie with house stripe.	Available from the school uniform shop (via the school website) and second-hand from school.
Skirts	No branding	Black, pleated only and knee length.	Available from school supplier, second-hand from school, and from regular retailers.
Trousers	No branding	Black, ankle-length and tailored.	Available from school supplier, second-hand from school, and from regular retailers.
Shirt	No branding	White, short or long sleeved, buttoned to neck with tie worn.	Available from school supplier, second-hand from school, and from regular retailers.
Tights	No branding	Non-patterned and black in colour	Available from regular retailers.
Socks	No branding	Black and ankle length	Available from regular retailers.
Footwear	No branding	See uniform policy footwear guidance for information.	Available from regular retailers.

Some clarifications:

Skirts or trousers in denim, cord or canvas materials are not permitted, nor are jeans (e.g. with studs and/or patch pockets). Coloured t-shirts or t-shirts with logos should not be worn under shirts. Students will not be allowed to wear non-uniform, jumpers, sweatshirts or hoodies in school. These are not an alternative to wearing a coat.

Guidance on Appropriate Footwear

Shoes are deemed to be acceptable if they are plain, black, not overly decorative and made of leather or similar weather-resistant material. They should be flat sensible school shoes. Velcro fastenings are permitted on shoes provided all other criteria are met.

Shoes are deemed to be unacceptable if they are not plain black, are made of canvas, are overly decorative or have white soles. Sports-branded footwear is not permitted. Trainers, boots and brands including – but not limited to – Vans, Converse, Nike and Adidas are also not permitted.

The final decision on the appropriateness of uniform rests with the senior leadership team. Photos of acceptable and unacceptable footwear can be found below:

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✓ Suitable Footwear

The following are examples of shoes which ARE permitted to be worn at school:

In order to maintain consistent high standards of uniform we hope that this information provides some clarity for parents, students and staff.

Shoes are deemed to be acceptable if they are plain black in colour, made of leather and not overly decorative. Essentially, shoes which can be described as flat, black, sensible school shoes.

Velcro fastenings are permitted, on shoes such as Clarks Monte Lite and Maris Fire – sports branded footwear is not permitted.



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✗ Unsuitable Footwear

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PE Kit (Compulsory items)

Parents and carers are responsible for providing their child with the necessary PE kit, and students must bring it into school when needed.

Item	Branding	Information	How to acquire
Top Vapour	School badge	With school logo.	Available from school supplier or second-hand from school.
Top Haze	School badge	With school logo.	Available from school supplier or second-hand from school.
Outdoor rugby shirt	School badge	With school logo.	Available from school supplier or second-hand from school.
Shorts	School badge	With school logo.	Available from school supplier or second-hand from school.
Skort	School badge	With school logo.	Available from school supplier or second-hand from school.
Sport socks	School badge	With school logo.	Available from school supplier or second-hand from school.
Gum shield	None	Fitted	Available from regular retailers.
Shin pads	None	Fitted	Available from regular retailers.
White socks	None	Ankle length	Available from regular retailers.
Football boots	None	Correctly studded	Available from regular retailers.
Sports trainers	None	Must be laced. Leisure and skateboarding trainers are not permitted.	Available from regular retailers.

PE Kit (Optional)

Item	Branding	Information	How to acquire
Qtr zip training top	School badge	With school logo.	Available from school supplier or second-hand from school.
Training pants	Not branded	Without school logo.	Available from school supplier or second-hand from school.
Base layer top	Not branded	Without school logo.	Available from regular retailers.
Leggings	Not branded	Can only be worn in conjunction with shorts or skorts	Available from regular retailers.

The online shop can be accessed by clicking the uniform shop button at the bottom of the school's homepage: www.wallingfordschool.com

Jewellery

Students may wear one watch and one pair of plain silver or gold ball stud earrings. The earrings are to be no more than 3mm in diameter and are to be worn in the lower ear lobes (one in each ear). Earrings must be removed for practical subjects and PE at the discretion of teachers. Nose studs and other body piercings including ear stretchers are not permitted.

Staff are permitted to confiscate any additional jewellery items and, under the Education and Inspections Act 2006, cannot be held liable for damage or loss to items confiscated lawfully. Items of jewellery, especially valuable pieces, should not be brought into school. A member of staff may ask the student to remove an item and may take the item into their care for the day. Members of staff will endeavour to take reasonable care of confiscated items, but it may not always be possible to label jewellery and staff are not expected to issue duplicate receipts for confiscated items. It is the responsibility of the family to retrieve the item.

Guidance on appropriate earrings



Bags

Students must use an appropriately-sized waterproof bag to carry their books and equipment. It must hold A4-sized workbooks comfortably without causing any damage.

School bags featuring inappropriate images, slogans or phrases will not be permitted.

The school discourages students from bringing valuable bags to school. The school will not be liable for lost or damaged school bags.

Hairstyles and headwear

The school reserves the right to make a judgement on whether a student's hairstyle, hair colour or headwear is inappropriate for the school environment; however, the school will ensure that any such judgements do not discriminate against any student by virtue of their protected characteristics. Each individual student's scenario will be taken into account where any judgements on appropriateness are to be made, and parents will always have the freedom to complain via the Trust's complaints procedures policy.

To maintain a respectful and safe learning environment, students are expected to follow these guidelines regarding hair and headwear:

- Hair must be of natural colours only. Unnatural shades such as red, green, purple, blue or similar are not permitted.
- Hair should not be excessively short.

- Students with long hair must ensure it does not obstruct their vision, cover their face, or pose any health and safety risks.
- Long hair must be securely tied back during practical activities, such as Physical Education (PE).

The following styles and accessories are deemed inappropriate for school:

- Brightly dyed or unnatural hair colours e.g.: red, green, purple and blue
- Headwear with bold patterns or vivid colours. Navy or black are acceptable colours.
- Excessive or oversized hair accessories
- Headwear displaying inappropriate language or imagery

Makeup and cosmetics

The school rules on makeup and cosmetics are as follows:

- Makeup is not permitted.
- False eyelashes are not permitted.
- False nails, nail extensions and acrylic nails are not permitted.
- Nail varnish is not permitted.

Students wearing makeup will be required to remove it.

Outdoor wear

A waterproof outdoor garment/coat is desirable; this must be a coat or anorak with sleeves.

- Denim jackets are not permitted.
- Students are not permitted to wear non-uniform sweatshirts, jumpers or hoodies.
- Clothing with badges or excessively logoed items and emblems are not permitted.
- Accident prevention groups recommend light colours or fluorescent and reflective strips for better visibility whilst commuting to and from school.

Seasonality of Uniform

There are no seasonal changes to the school uniform. Any adaptations due to extreme weather will be communicated to students and families as needed (e.g. appropriate footwear during heavy snow / removing jumpers during very warm weather).

Labelling and Lost Property

All belongings, including clothing and footwear, should be clearly named to facilitate swift return if items are lost. Any lost property will be taken to the school office and if unclaimed after a period of time, will be disposed of or offered for re-sale.