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YEARS 7 TO 13



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DRESS CODE AND APPEARANCE GUIDELINES

Dress code and appearance guidelines for pupils in **Years 7 to 11**

Our uniform at Bethany School is smart, comfortable and suitable for wear all year. As Bethany is primarily a place of work, we expect our pupils to look smart and be presentable at all times.

Barsleys in Paddock Wood is the suppliers of Bethany's uniform, and you can purchase items on their website by visiting barsleys.co.uk/uniforms/bethany-school

Overseas boarders purchasing uniform online can arrange for delivery to School for the start of term. Alternatively, you can buy uniform in person. The store opening times are Monday to Friday 9am-5.30pm or Saturday 9am-5pm, no appointment required. Free parking for one hour is available in the car parks in Paddock Wood.

Bethany also has a dedicated second-hand uniform shop, run by Mrs Lucy Jaramba, contactable by emailing uniform@bethanyschool.org.uk

Hair	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Pupils should keep their hair clean and it should reflect a professional business style.• Hair products may be used in moderation but hair should not be visibly dyed or bleached; dramatic haircuts and use of colorants are not acceptable.• All hair accessories should be modest and black or navy.• Hair should not be cut excessively short and should be tied back as appropriate for PE, Games and Practical Subjects.• All pupils should be clean-shaven.
Jewellery and Accessories	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Pupils may wear a discreet ring and/or a discreet gold or silver chain which may have a religious medal, crucifix or discrete gold or silver pendant.• Pupils may wear a maximum of one pair of plain skin-toned, gold or silver stud earrings, one in each ear lobe. No other body piercings are allowed.• Pupils may wear one simple wrist band.• Belts should be black and plain without ornamental buckles.• Nails should be of an appropriate length and will be required to be short for certain games activities. Nail varnish should be clear or skin toned.• Make up is not permitted until Year 10, (except for medical reasons) when it should be used sparingly and with discretion.• Body art is discouraged and should be covered during the School day.
Blazer	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Bethany School blazer.
Shirt and Tie or Blouse	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Pupils may choose to wear either a long or short sleeved white shirt with the Bethany School tie or a white revere round collar long sleeved blouse.

Pullover	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bethany School pullover or slipover (sleeveless pullover) only.
Trousers, Skirt, Tights or Socks	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pupils may choose to wear either Bethany School dark grey trousers with logo with black school socks or Bethany School navy tartan skirt with black opaque (minimum 40den) tights or white ankle socks. Please note that trousers and skirts should not be altered to a preferred fit without reference to the relevant Housemaster/Mistress.
Footwear	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Strong, traditional plain black school shoes which should be leather or alternative but able to be polished – not fabric. No patent leather or suede shoes and no boots, trainers, or canvas shoes / plimsolls. Shoes should be flat or low heeled (meaning no higher than 4cm from the top to the bottom of the heel) and no platforms higher than 1.5cm. Please note that black trainers with black soles are not acceptable as school shoes (for example: Nike Air Force 1 or similar). Pupils can change into trainers during lunchtimes and breaks when playing ball games outside.
Coat, Gloves and Scarves	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A coat may be worn if it is navy blue or black and of one solid colour with no significantly visible logos. The Bethany School coat is a recommended option. Scarves and gloves should be plain black or navy.
Sports Kit	Compulsory sports kit must be purchased through Barsleys, Bethany's uniform supplier. Items are also on sale in Bethany's second-hand uniform shop.
Compulsory items	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> One pair Bethany tracksuit bottoms. One Bethany hooded top. One pair Bethany shorts or Bethany skirt. One Bethany sports polo top. One Bethany rugby top. Bethany hooped socks or white sports socks. Bethany swimming shorts/Jammers or Bethany swimming costume.
Optional items	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bethany cricket shirt. Bethany swimming hat.
DT, Art and Textiles	Pupils will not be allowed to wear casual clothes in school therefore pupils will be given a set of overalls or a white coat to prevent damage to school attire.

For a full list of items and prices please visit: barsleys.co.uk/uniforms/bethany-school



Dress code and appearance guidelines for pupils in **Sixth Form (Years 12 and 13)**

Bethany School is primarily a place of work and that is why we expect our Sixth Formers to dress in smart business suits and to be excellent role models for younger pupils.

Dress Code	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A formal two or three piece business suit consisting of a formal, tailored jacket with matching trousers or a matching tailored and lined knee-length skirt. A muted check or pin stripe is acceptable. • Plain shirt for boys with tie; plain shirt with a collar for girls. These should look business-like and be of one colour. • Plain or simple patterned tie for boys. • Plain dark V-neck sweater, if desired. • Strong, traditional plain black school shoes which should be leather or alternative but able to be polished – not fabric. No patent leather or suede shoes and no boots, trainers, or canvas shoes / plimsolls. • Shoes should be flat or low heeled (meaning no higher than 4cm from the top to the bottom of the heel) and no platforms higher than 1.5cm. • Please note that black trainers with black soles are not acceptable as school shoes (for example: Nike Air Force 1 or similar). Pupils can change into trainers during lunchtimes and breaks when playing ball games outside. • Coats are optional but must be black, grey or navy.
Appearance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hair must be of one natural colour. • We expect pupils to be clean-shaven and hair length should be tidy. • Earrings must be worn in pairs (one in each ear), and these must be a single, stud-style in the ear lobe in gold or silver. Other visible piercings are expressly forbidden. • Skirts must be no shorter or longer than 5 cm above or below the knee. • Dark or flesh-coloured plain tights are compulsory for girls for formal occasions and in the Autumn and Spring Terms. They are optional for the Summer Term. • Pupils may wear a discreet ring and/or a discrete gold or silver chain which may have a religious medal, crucifix or discreet gold or silver pendant. • Pupils may wear one simple wrist band. • Belts should be black and plain without ornamental buckles. • Nails should be of an appropriate length and will be required to be short for certain games activities. • Nail varnish should be clear or skin toned. • Make up should be used sparingly and with discretion. • Body art is discouraged and should be covered during the School day.
Other	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All members of the Sixth Form must wear their formal, tailored jacket around School, unless shirt-sleeve order has been called.
Sports Kit	Compulsory sports kit must be purchased through Barsleys, Bethany's uniform supplier. Items are also on sale in Bethany's second-hand uniform shop.
Compulsory items	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One pair Bethany tracksuit bottoms. • One Bethany hooded top. • One pair Bethany shorts or Bethany skort. • One Bethany sports polo top.
Optional items	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bethany rugby top. • Bethany hooped socks.
DT, Art and Textiles	Pupils will not be allowed to wear casual clothes in school therefore pupils will be given a set of overalls or a white coat to prevent damage to school attire.

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