Bethany since 1866

DRESS CODE AND APPEARANCE GUIDELINES

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.

Horncastles in Sevenoaks is the suppliers of Bethany's uniform, and you can purchase items on their website by visiting **www.horncastles.co.uk/bethany-school.html** - Horncastles offer home delivery and a complimentary Click & Collect service. Overseas boarders purchasing uniform online can arrange for delivery to School for the start of term.

Alternatively, you can buy uniform in person, please visit the Horncastles website above for more information on location and opening times.

Bethany also has a dedicated second-hand uniform shop, contactable by emailing **uniform@bethanyschool.org.uk**

Hair	• 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	• 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, small 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	• Bethany School blazer - **must be worn at all times.**
Shirt and Tie or Blouse	• 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.
Trousers, Culottes, Tights or Socks	• Pupils may choose to wear either Bethany School dark grey trousers with logo with black school socks or Bethany School navy tartan culottes with black opaque (minimum 40den) tights or white ankle socks. • Please note that trousers and culottes should not be altered to a preferred fit. • Pupils may wear Bethany tailored grey shorts in the summer term.

Pullover	• Bethany School pullover or slipover (sleeveless pullover) only.
Footwear	• 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	• **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. Clean and correctly fitting sport kit is required at all times. No jewellery of any kind is permitted when taking part in sporting activities at any time.**
Compulsory Sports Kit items	• One pair Bethany tracksuit bottoms or Bethany leggings. • One Bethany hooded top. • One pair Bethany shorts. • One Bethany sports polo top. • Bethany hooped socks or white sports socks. • Bethany swimming shorts/jammers or Bethany swimming costume.
Optional Sports Kit items	• Bethany cricket whites. • Bethany swimming hat. • Navy or plain white peaked baseball cap. • Sports Holdall • Boot Bag
Sports Equipment	• Football boots (boys and competitive girls' team players) • Sport trainers • Astro trainers • Mouthguard **(Years 7-10)** • Shin pads **(Years 7-10)** • Hockey stick **(Years 7-10)**
Dance Kit	**Clean and correctly fitting dance kit is required at all times. No jewellery of any kind is permitted when taking part in dance activities at any time. Items underlined can be purchased via Dancing Boutique: dancingboutique.com/schools/bethany-school**
Compulsory Dance Kit items	• One pair Bethany tracksuit bottoms or Bethany leggings or Bethany shorts **(Years 7-9)** • One Bethany sports polo top **(Years 7-9)** • Black dance leggings or black joggers **(Years 10 & 11)** • Black leotard **(Years 10 & 11)** • Long sleeve wrap cardigan or fitted dance top **(Years 10 & 11)**
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.**

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	• A formal two or three piece business suit consisting of a formal, tailored jacket with matching trousers or a skirt. **Skirts must sit no higher than 2 inches above the knee**. A muted check or pin stripe is acceptable. • Plain shirt with a collar or blouse. These should look business-like and be of one colour. • Plain or simple patterned tie for formal occasions, including Headmaster's assembly, tour guiding and School events. • Plain colour jumper, if desired. Can be V-neck, round neck or half zip. • 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	• Hair must be of one natural colour. • We expect pupils' hair and facial hair to be smart and tidy. • Earrings must be a pair (or one single) stud or small hoop style, worn in the ear lobe in gold or silver. Other visible piercings are expressly forbidden. • **Skirts must be of a respectable length, sitting no more than 2" above the knee.** • Dark or flesh-coloured plain opaque tights are compulsory for girls for formal occasions; and in the Autumn and Spring Terms. At other times, white ankle socks should be worn. • 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 is permitted but should be of a plain, muted colour. • Make up should be subtle. • Body art is discouraged and should be covered during the School day.
Other	• Formal, tailored jackets only need to be worn for formal occasions, including Headmaster's assembly; tour guiding and School events. It is recommended that jackets are kept at School.
Sports Kit	**Clean and correctly fitting sports kit is required at all times. No jewellery of any kind is permitted when taking part in sporting activities at any time.**
Sports items	**Compulsory Sports Kit** • One pair Bethany tracksuit bottoms or Bethany leggings. • One Bethany hooded top. • One pair Bethany shorts. • One Bethany sports polo top. • Bethany hooped socks. **Optional Sports Kit** • Black or navy swimsuit or swim shorts.
Sports equipment for competitive team players	• Football boots and Astro trainers • Hockey stick • Shin pads • Mouthguard
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