

Safeguarding Statement

Langley Park School for Girls is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment.

Equality & Diversity Statement

Langley Park School for Girls is committed to valuing and celebrating diversity and promoting equality of opportunity for all its staff and students. We are working to create a learning and working environment which is free from prejudice, discrimination, intimidation and all forms of harassment including bullying. Respect for rights is at the heart of our planning, policies, practice and ethos and we expect all members of our school community to model this in their behaviour and relationships.

LANGLEY PARK SCHOOL FOR GIRLS

SCHOOL UNIFORM POLICY

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Designated Person (as appropriate):	Headteacher
Committee with Remit (as appropriate):	Governing Body
Intended Audience:	Parents, Carers and Students
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Version History

Version	Approval Date	Summary of Changes
1	Spring 2025	No changes to school uniform from previous published expectations Introduction of rationale for school uniform and reference to further consultation and principles

School Uniform Policy

Background

The school has a uniform policy. All students are expected to wear the correct school uniform when travelling to and from school, during the school day and on journeys, events and visits arranged by the School unless otherwise specified. School uniform must be worn tidily and correctly. The School reserves the right to send students home to change if they are not in the correct clothes and to confiscate items of inappropriate clothing.

We are a school with high expectations and this is reflected in our uniform policy. Families tell us that our expectations and reputation are something they value about the school. Students are ambassadors for our school community.

We ask that families support us by exercising careful judgement in matters of uniform and that you check any potential purchases which might prove to be controversial with us before you make them.

We recognise the value of having a uniform in encouraging identity with, and support for, the school's ethos, overcoming social difficulties which could otherwise separate students. Other advantages include:

- Safeguarding students (a clearly recognisable uniform makes it possible to identify strangers and affords a degree of safety as the students are part of an identifiable large body of people who will look out for each other on the way to and from school)
- Preparing students for the future (many jobs require staff to wear a uniform or to follow a dress code)
- Providing a prescribed standard and helping students understand the difference between formal and informal dress
- Eliminating potential stress on young people to purchase and wear expensive, fashionable items of clothing
- Establishing and reinforcing high expectations
- Instilling a sense of belonging and identity (uniform and team kits nurture cohesion and help our students to demonstrate pride in their school)
- Supporting positive behaviour and discipline

We believe that if our students look 'smart' they will take pride in their appearance, understand the importance of presentation and approach their learning with the right attitude.

Whilst we recognise young people's desire for self-expression, the inevitable interest of some to rebel against any imposed uniform, and the time taken by school staff and parents/carers to reinforce expectations, we consider the many benefits to outweigh any disadvantages.

The school has previously made changes to school uniform to ensure it is inclusive, including for students who are transgender or non-binary. For instance, students may wear trousers.

In the event of an unavoidable and temporary emergency resulting in a student being without the correct uniform, parents/ carers are asked to ensure that their child has a suitable note of explanation and that the matter is resolved as a matter of urgency. All items of clothing should be clearly marked with the student's name.

We expect students to take pride in their personal appearance and in wearing the school uniform. Their clothes should be clean and smart and shoes should be polished. Any clothing worn underneath shirts or blouses for warmth should not be visible.

Skirt or trousers	Navy Check Knife Pleat Skirt <i>No shorter than knee-length, no longer than mid-calf</i> Regulation school navy trousers with school crest
Blazer	Badged and piped school blazer (Years 7-9)
Blouse	Regulation school blouse <i>White cotton open neck with lapels, either long or short-sleeved</i> <i>This must be an open-necked blouse not designed to be buttoned at the neck</i>
Jumper (optional)	Navy V-necked jumper with trim <i>If a blazer is worn the jumper is optional</i>
Cardigan	LPGS cardigan (Years 10-11 only)
Tights or socks	Plain navy tights Navy knee-length or navy short socks

Shoes	Black school shoes without heels They should be 'polish-able' <i>PLEASE NOTE: ankle boots, leather style trainers and black trainers are not part of the school uniform.</i> <i>No obvious brand names or logos are permitted. However, Kickers shoes with ankle support are allowed due to the sturdy nature and support.</i>
Outdoor coat	Plain navy or black outdoor coat or jacket <i>Logos, hoodies, denim, leather, suede PVC and "fur" coats/jackets are not allowed. If you are unsure of suitability, please contact school before purchasing.</i> <i>They can be worn during transition times but must be removed in classrooms.</i>
Bag	All students in Years 7 – 11 are required to use a durable rucksack of any colour. This is to provide good back health and reduce corridor congestion. There will be no 'school issue' rucksack but we ask that it is practical, sturdy and a non-designer brand.
Jewellery	The following are permitted: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Simple watch (not smart) • 1 small stud per ear • Nails are natural colour and finger-tip length <p>Other items of jewellery are not permitted, including multiple earrings in one ear and facial piercings.</p>
Make-up	Make-up including fake tan, false eye lashes and false or long nails, are not permitted.

LPGS UNIFORM: ARE YOU GOOD TO GO?



WHY?

Uniform is a key way we signal we belong to one community and uphold our high standards and reputation that benefit everyone. We also believe in the liberating environment that a girls' school can provide; our expectations regarding hair, make-up, nails and jewellery are part of focusing on who we are on the inside. Thank you for respecting our uniform.

SHOE – ADDITIONAL GUIDANCE



Good for school.



Not okay for school.



MAKE-UP/'BEAUTY ENHANCEMENT' GUIDANCE



Good for school:
Lip balm



Not okay for school:

Unnatural colours/fake eye lashes/long-coloured nails/fake tan



PE Kit – compulsory items

- LPGS polo shirt with logo*
- Navy Skort*
- Hockey socks (navy and white)*
- Navy core shorts (mid-thigh length cycle shorts)
- Black sports leggings
- Majority white trainers - not bright colours or black
- White sports socks
- Shin pads (compulsory for Years 7, 8 and 9)
- Gum shields (compulsory for Years 7, 8 and 9)

* These items are only available from www.grahamegardner.co.uk

Optional additional PE kit

The following items are optional but if purchased are only available from www.grahamegardner.co.uk

- Tracksuit top, navy with school badge
- Tracksuit bottoms, navy
- Sports holdall (students should use a sports bag to carry their PE kit to and from school. Handbags are not to be brought to school)
- Long sleeve base layer

All PE kit must be named.

Students will be expected to be in full school uniform on arrival at school and will be reminded of expectations. During form time, form tutors will support students, as necessary, in being ready for school and in addressing any uniform issues. If needed, they will be provided with the support and equipment to enable them to meet the expectations (e.g. access to nail files, nail clippers, make-up remover wipes, spare uniform items).

In accordance with our behaviour management expectations and policy, students with uniform infringements after 9.05am and throughout the school day will receive a C2 detention.

Mobile phones, personal music players and headphones/earphones should not be seen or in use inside school buildings. Energy drinks are also not allowed in school and will be confiscated.

The school's uniform may be purchased from:
Bromley Schoolwear, 51 High Street, Bromley - www.bromleyschoolwear.co.uk
121 Uniforms – www.121uniforms.net

Our sportswear can be purchased online from Grahame Gardener Ltd - www.grahamegardner.co.uk

We also hold pre-loved uniform sales in school at points throughout the year.

The school's uniform regulations have the authority of the Governing Body and in accepting a place at Langley Park School for Girls for their children, parents/carers are, therefore, accepting the regulations of the school.

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