



LEAMINGTON SCHOOL - UNIFORM POLICY



Following community consultation, Leamington School has proudly had a school uniform since 2010. We believe that a school uniform helps students to develop a sense of identify with, and pride in, their school. It also assists with the development of the school virtues of Respect, Self-Discipline and Excellence.

All students are expected to wear the school uniform every school day, unless the school has notified the community that school uniform is not required because of a sports day, mufti day or class trip.

The garments we are selling are high quality items that are designed to be worn day after day, year after year without falling apart. While the perception from some is that they cost more than items children would normally have, when compared against the cost of children having to have a wide range of clothes, that have to be regularly replaced, most families find having a uniform not only cost effective, but that it also eliminates the frustration of deciding what to wear each morning and perceived peer pressure to have to wear trendy items to school.

All items can only be purchased new from the school office and are unisex; except for the skirt and tights* which are optional items for girls.

Our school uniform consists of:

- Short sleeve polo shirt embroidered with the school logo
- Short sleeve silky shirt embroidered with the school logo
- Long sleeve polo shirt embroidered with the school logo
- House t-shirt embroidered with the school logo on the front & screen printed with house name across the back (optional item)
- Shorts embroidered with the school logo
- Skort embroidered with the school logo
- Long trousers embroidered with the school logo
- Track pants embroidered with the school logo
- Fleece embroidered with the school logo (pull over head)
- Jacket embroidered with the school logo (front opening)
- Blast jacket embroidered with the school logo (available 2021)
- Bucket hat embroidered with the school logo (compulsory in term 4 & 1)
- *Navy blue tights (available at school office or in town)

Please note - generic uniform pieces, that do not have our school logo embroidered on them, are not permitted.

Footwear should be predominantly, (90%), plain black or plain navy blue and can be of any style. Laces should be black or navy blue. Students are not required to wear footwear to, from, or around school. However, students are required to wear correct footwear during class trips or sports shoes if there is a lot of walking involved. The class teacher will notify parents about this prior to the class trip taking place. Socks should be plain black, plain navy blue or plain white and can be either long or short style.

Enforcement

- > Students will be required to wear full uniform in order to attend classes at Leamington School from the first day of attendance.
- > Students who attend without wearing the correct uniform will have the following consequences applied:

Step 1: Students who attend without wearing the correct uniform will be given a warning and expected to be in the correct uniform the following day. If this is not possible, parents must contact the school office to ensure that no further action is taken.

Step 2: If the student is still not in the correct uniform, or no contact with the school office has made by the parent, then the parent will be contacted directly by phone and in writing. Parents will be asked to indicate when their child will be in the correct uniform in order to comply with the BOT policy. Failure to be in correct uniform within a time frame agreed with the Principal, (or avoidance of communicating with the school), will result in further action being taken.

Step 3: Further action will be taken in order to comply with the BOT uniform policy. Depending on the circumstances, and prior communication, this could result in:

- > Student being removed from school sport teams, orchestra, choir etc.
- > Student being excluded from optional activities like shows, sporting trips, discos, etc.
- > Family being invited to talk with the BOT about problems / concerns they have with the uniform policy.

Wearing the Uniform

The uniform is to be worn with pride and in a clean condition.

- > Marking or defacing the school uniform is not acceptable and will be dealt with as a behavioural issue.

- > If long socks are being worn as part of the uniform choice, these are to be pulled up under the knee.
- > Hats are to be worn in the manner in which they were designed, (i.e. not back to front, inside out or folded into a different style).
- > Students may wear a long sleeve plain black, plain navy blue or plain white top underneath the school uniform short sleeve shirt. However, no striped thermals, alternative colours to the ones stated above, or character (e.g. Batman, Frozen, Spiderman) tops are permitted.

Jewellery

Students are able to wear watches and stud earrings. Necklaces that are tonga or have a special meaning are also permitted with a note to the classroom teacher. Other jewellery is permitted if a note is written to the teacher explaining it has a special meaning or is for health purposes.

Raincoats and Non-Uniform Jackets

Students are able to wear any type of raincoat to and from school on wet days only.

Physical Education Programmes and Sporting Events

Students involved in school sport teams will be required to wear the school sports kit shirt, (rugby, hockey, miniball), or dress, (netball), provided. These are temporarily loaned to players by the school and collected back in at the end of the season. Students are not required to wear a separate uniform for classroom PE programmes. Students may wear a separate shirt, of their own choosing, if participating in rough and tumble games, (e.g. bullrush), or riding on the pump track.

Naming Uniform

All uniform pieces should be named. This is the responsibility of the parent / caregiver; not the school. All lost school uniform that is not named, or named with an ex-student's name, will be donated to Cambridge Community House where it can be purchased for a donation. Cambridge Community House is located at 193 Shakespeare Street and can be contacted by calling 827 5402.

Payments and Purchase Information

Uniform items can be purchased new from the school office only. All purchases are strictly payment on delivery only; retrospective payments are not permitted.

Payments can be made by cash, Eftpos, credit card, WINZ credit, internet banking or credit held in school account. If you would like to put some credit into your school account, please do so to account number 12-3268-0023514-00 ensuring that your child's name, and what the money is for, is detailed in the reference of the transfer. (Without your child's name the school will have no way of knowing who the payment is for).

Please contact the school office if you have any comments, concerns, questions or feedback regarding our School Uniform Policy on 827 5747. Thank you.