

# BROMSGROVE SCHOOL

SENIOR SCHOOL

UNIFORM 2023

## SCHOOL UNIFORM AND THE SCHOOL SHOP

### School uniform can be purchased online from our online retailer: www.schoolblazer.com

Essential and recommended items of uniform are included on the lists on the following pages.

Schoolblazer are an online retailer – allowing parents to order anytime and from anywhere, at their convenience. **Delivery** is via DPD with a normal turn-around of 1-2 days, but with a firm promise of all deliveries within 3 working days. Urgent orders can be shipped in 24 hours using their Fasttrack service. DPD send a text message to confirm a delivery window, and delivery can be rearranged if not convenient. **Boarding pupils** are advised to order garments to School, please include your child's name and House on the order.

The Schoolblazer website has an "intelligent sizing system" to guide parents in size selection to help ensure that garments fit first time. On registration you will be required to input your child's sizes and the system will then make a suggestion on size for the correct fit. The website guides you through items that you will require as uniform, and indicates whether items are compulsory or optional.

**Returns** to Schoolblazer (from the UK) are free of charge via the Post Office and they operate a 120 day return policy. Boarders should order items to be delivered to the School address, and if returns are necessay, House staff will help pupils with this.

Any queries about orders should be sent direct to Schoolblazer, using the contact details on their website.

#### **Sports Kit and Stationery Supplies**

Our School Shop, based on the Senior School campus, sells all the necessary School sports kit. Essential and recommended items are included on the lists below.

The School Shop also stocks a wide range of stationery, pens, pencils, books and files that pupils will need for lessons. They also sell a small range of essential toiletries.

Each pupil is provided with a School Shop card that allows them to purchase additional sports kit and stationery. This card must be signed and presented when making a purchase. Any items purchased on the card will be billed at the end of each term.

#### Shop Opening Times Term Time

Weekdays: 8.30am to 5.00pm (closed 12.30 - 1.00pm) Thursday: as above but open late until 6.00pm

Saturdays: 8.30am to 12.30pm

**School Holidays** (including half-term) Weekdays: 9.00am to 4.00pm (closed 12.30 - 1.00pm)

There is a small number of parking spaces available for customers nearby, the School Shop can advise, as well as extensive parking at the Senior School's South Car Park, located off Worcester Road (for SatNav please use postcode B61 7HP).

#### **Contact Details**

Mrs Anne-Louise Pridden, School Shop Manager Email: schoolshop@bromsgrove-school.co.uk

Tel: 01527 579679 ext 220

#### Pre-Loved Uniform

The Parents' Association run a Uniform Exchange Shop where parents can buy and sell good quality used uniform. The Uniform Exchange is located at the Old Police Station, close to the Dining Hall; staff in the Shop can give details on the location. Their opening hours are advertised in the School Shop. The Uniform Exchange Shop can be contacted by email at:

uniformexchange@bromsgrove-school.co.uk.

#### GIRLS' DRESS CODE SUMMARY

#### FOURTH AND FIFTH FORM (Years 9, 10 & 11)

**BLAZER:** School regulation navy blue

**SKIRT:** School regulation skirt, to be worn mid-calf, unaltered, and as sold by the uniform supplier

**TROUSERS:** School regulation tartan trousers^, to sit on the back of the shoe.

Girls have the choice of wearing a skirt or trousers, many do have both, but this is not essential and you may purchase whichever is your preference.

**SHIRT:** Winter – School white shirt, fully tucked in, top button done up with tie

Summer - School white blouse, fully tucked in

TIE: School or House tie

**PULLOVER**: School-crested regulation navy blue V-neck pullover

TIGHTS: Unpatterned natural or navy blue (not black) tights or knee length navy socks

**SHOES**: Smart and formal plain black leather flat shoes (no patent, suede or material), ballet, boot or

trainer styles are not acceptable

**OVERCOAT:** School regulation overcoat, worn with the School blazer

ACCESSORIES: School rucksack/laptop bag or plain black bag/laptop bag (no logos)

School maroon umbrella

School scarf

**HAIR:** Natural colour – no extremes of colour, cut or style, tied back fully, neatly and off the face. Hair

bobbles, bands and headscarves in navy blue or maroon

**JEWELLERY:** A watch

One set of small stud earrings, to be worn at the bottom of the earlobe (no other piercings)

No necklaces, bracelets or rings

MAKE-UP: No make-up and only clear nail varnish

**SPORTS KIT:** Only School sports kit to be worn on campus (see list below)

Any concerns or special requests can be discussed with your Houseparent / Senior Mistress or Deputy Headmaster Pastoral.

#### **GIRLS' Essential Items**

Compulsory uniform items must be bought from www.schoolblazer.com or the Uniform Exchange shop. Items marked \* are *not* available from either the School Shop or Schoolblazer

School blazer (1)

School coat

School skirt^(1) to be worn mid-calf, unaltered, as sold by the School Shop and/or School trousers^(1) length to sit on the back of the shoe

School summer white short-sleeved, revere neck blouses (5)

School winter long sleeved white shirts (5)

School tie (1)

Natural or navy tights / knee length navy blue socks (5)

\*Smart plain flat black leather shoes

School navy crested v-necked pullover (2)

Maroon or navy blue hair bands/bobble/headscarves

School straw boater for Commemoration Day (available in School Shop)

Laptop bag/School rucksack (plain black, no logos)

#### In addition, the following items are recommended:

School scarf

Navy School gloves

School fleece hat

School maroon umbrella

Calculator

Reusable water bottle

Tuck Box (boarders only)

All items of clothing must be clearly named, boarders should include the initials of their House after thier name. Name tapes and naming of clothes can be ordered on the Schoolblazer site, the school shop can also pre-order name tapes.

#### **BOYS' DRESS CODE SUMMARY**

#### FOURTH AND FIFTH FORM (Years 9, 10 & 11)

BLAZER: School regulation - navy blue
TROUSERS: School regulation - charcoal grey

**SHIRT:** Winter – School white long-sleeved shirt

Summer - School short-sleeved white shirt, tucked in, top button always done up with tie

TIE: School or House tie

**PULLOVER**: School-crested regulation navy blue V-neck pullover

**SHOES:** Smart plain black leather lace-up shoes (no patent, suede or material) boot or trainer styles are

not acceptable

**SOCKS:** Dark grey

**OVERCOAT**: School regulation overcoat, worn with the School blazer

**ACCESSORIES**: School rucksack/laptop bag or plain black bag (no logos)

School maroon umbrella

School scarf

**HAIR:** Natural colour – no extremes of colour, cut or style, hair should be neat, covering neither the collar

nor eyes, no part of the hairstyle to be very closely cropped or shaved

Clean shaven

**JEWELLERY**: A watch

**SPORTS KIT:** Only School sports kit to be worn on campus

Any concerns or special requests can be discussed with your Houseparent / Senior Master or Deputy Headmaster Pastoral

#### **BOYS' Essential Items**

Compulsory uniform items must be bought from www.schoolblazer.com or the Uniform Exchange shop. Items marked \* are *not* available from either the School Shop or Schoolblazer

School blazer (1)

School coat

School trousers (2)

School short sleeve summer shirts (5)

School winter shirts (5)

School tie (1)

School grey socks (5 pairs)

School navy crested V-necked pullover (2)

School maroon umbrella

\*Smart plain black lace-up leather shoes

School straw boater for Commemoration Day (available in School Shop)

Laptop bag/School rucksack (plain black, no logos)

#### In addition, the following items are recommended:

School scarf

Navy School gloves

School fleece hat

School maroon umbrella

Calculator

Reusable water bottle

Tuck Box (boarders only)

All items of clothing must be clearly named, boarders should include the initials of their House after thier name. Name tapes and naming of clothes can be ordered on the Schoolblazer site, the school shop can also pre-order name tapes.

#### **SPORTS KIT**

#### FOURTH AND FIFTH FORM (Years 9, 10 & 11)

#### Available from the School Shop

#### **GIRLS'** Essential Items

School white polo shirt (2) School maroon skort (1)

White socks (2)

School maroon sports socks (2) School tracksuit bottoms (1)

School showerproof training jacket and/or School fleece (1)

School games holdall (1)

Astro shoes (1) Trainers (1) Hockey stick \*Games towel (1)

Shin pads Gum shield

School swimming costume (1) School swimming cap School hockey polo shirt School maroon lycra shorts

#### **Girls' Optional Recommended Items**

School maroon underlay legging skins

School white underlay

School white tennis skort (if in team)

Tennis racquet

#### **BOYS'** Essential Items

School white polo shirt (2) School white shorts (1) White socks (2 pairs)

School tracksuit bottoms (1)

School showerproof training jacket and/or School fleece (1)

School maroon sports socks (2) School maroon shorts (2) School rugby shirt (2)

School hockey polo shirt (1) School games holdall (1) Rugby boots (1 pair)

Astro shoes (1 pair) Trainers (1 pair) Hockey stick

\*Games towel (1)

Shin pads Gum shield

School swimming shorts

#### **Boys' Optional Recommended Items**

School maroon underlay for rugby and football,

School white underlay (sports other than rugby & football)

School black underlay shorts

School football shirt Football boots

School athletics vest and shorts (if in team)

School cricket whites, shirt and maroon cap (if in team)

School swimming cap (if in team)

Tennis racquet

If pupils are selected for School teams, they may need to purchase additional kit as advised by the PE department.

Where possible, parents/guardians should accompany pupils for full sports kit fittings at the School Shop. Appointments can be arranged by contacting Mrs Pridden, the School Shop Manager.

All clothes and sports equipment must be clearly labelled with name tapes (these can be ordered from the School Shop).

<sup>\*</sup> not available from the School shop

#### SIXTH FORM UNIFORM

The following pages list our Dress Code for Sixth Form boys and girls. Sixth Formers are expected to support the School by wearing uniform smartly, and in the spirit of the business environment.

Parents/Guardians are asked to ensure that clothes/items conform to the specifics noted on the list. We ask you to adhere to these guidelines as any items not deemed suitable for School wear will need to be replaced. If you have any queries about uniform for Sixth Formers, please contact either the Senior Master or Senior Mistress, your child's Houseparent or the Deputy Headmaster Pastoral.

All clothes and sports equipment must be clearly labelled with name tapes (these can be ordered with early notice from the School Shop). Boarders must include their House initials.

The School's online retailer, Schoolblazer, stocks a number of styles of suits for Sixth Form boys and girls, alternatively you may visit one of the classic UK suit retailers such as Marks & Spencers, Next or Charles Tyrwhitt. School ties are available from Schoolblazer.



#### DRESS CODE SUMMARY - SIXTH FORM GIRLS

TAILORED SUIT: Plain dark grey, navy blue or black

No bold stripes or checks

Jacket and skirt/trousers of matching material Skirt to sit on or below the knee (not tight)

Trousers of a smart cut, not skinny, bootleg or jeans-style, to sit on the back of the shoe

**BLOUSE:** Plain white or light pastel shade (no dark colours)

Collared 'shirt' style with buttons to the top - of an appropriate (not tight) fit, always tucked in

PULLOVER: Plain V-neck pullover in black, dark grey, navy blue or maroon

**HOSIERY:** Unpatterned natural, black or navy blue tights

Natural, black or navy blue pop socks to be worn with trousers

**SHOES:** Smart plain black leather or patent (no suede or material)

Heels not more than 3cms in height (no stiletto heels), ballet boot and trainer styles are

not acceptable

**OVERCOAT:** School coat or plain tailored coat in navy blue, black or dark grey (to be worn over suit)

**SPORTS KIT:** Only School sports kit to be worn on campus

**ACCESSORIES:** School rucksack/laptop bag or plain black bag (no logos)

School umbrella School scarf

HAIR: Natural colour – no extremes of colour, cut or style. Hair accessories or headscarves in navy blue,

black or maroon

**JEWELLERY:** One discreet necklace, watch, bracelet and ring

One set of small, unobtrusive earrings to be worn at the bottom of the earlobe (no other piercings)

**MAKE-UP:** Subtle make-up and clear nail varnish

Any concerns or special requests can be discussed with your Houseparent / Senior Mistress or Deputy Headmaster Pastoral.

#### **COMMEMORATION**

Commemoration outfits should be smart, formal, respectful and appropriate for Church. The outfit should be a skirt/dress/ trouser suit or a jacket and co-ordinating skirt/dress/trousers. Jumpsuits and off-the-shoulder/strapless dresses/tops are not acceptable. Skirts and dresses should sit on or below the knee. Pashminas or cardigans are not appropriate. As this is a formal occasion, a hat or fascinator is allowed. Equally, this is an occasion on which some of our international students choose to wear their National dress, which is an entirely appropriate option. Please remember that the day involves a good deal of walking to different venues, so do make sure that shoes are of a comfortable height. Trainers or flip-flop styles are not appropriate. If you have any queries, would like to see examples of appropriate styles or would like to check the suitability of your outfit, please email the Senior Mistress, Miss Leech.

#### **SPORTS KIT**

#### All Sixth Formers need the following, available from the School Shop:

- School tracksuit bottoms
- School white polo shirt
- School showerproof training jacket/School fleece (or both)
- Girls School maroon skorts

If pupils are selected for School teams, they may need to purchase kit and a School games holdall as advised by the PE department.

#### DRESS CODE SUMMARY - SIXTH FORM BOYS

**TAILORED SUIT:** Plain dark grey, navy blue or black

No bold stripes or checks

Trousers of a smart cut, not skinny, bootleg or jeans-style, to sit on the back of the shoe

Alternatively, sports jacket and dark grey/black trousers

SHIRT: Plain white or light pastel shade (no dark colours)

Tucked in, top button always done up with tie

**TIE:** School or House tie (School ties are available from Schoolblazer.com) **PULLOVER:** Plain v-neck pullover in black, dark grey, navy blue or maroon

**SHOES:** Plain black leather (no suede, patent or material. Boot and trainer styles are not acceptable

**SOCKS:** Plain dark or formal coloured striped/patterned socks

**OVERCOAT:** School coat or plain tailored coat in navy blue, black or dark grey (to be worn over suit)

SPORTS KIT: Only School sports kit to be worn on campus, (see list below)

ACCESSORIES: School rucksack/laptop bag or plain black bag/laptop bag (no logos)

School umbrella School scarf

**HAIR:** Natural colour – no extremes of colour, cut or style

Neat, covering neither the collar nor eyes, no part of the hairstyle to be very closely

cropped or shaven Clean shaven

**JEWELLERY:** A watch

A discreet ring, bracelet and necklace can be agreed with Houseparent

Any concerns or special requests can be discussed with your Houseparent / Senior master or Deputy Headmaster Pastoral

#### **COMMEMORATION**

Boys should wear a formal tailored dark grey, navy blue or black suit in plain material or with a feint pin stripe/check. Light coloured suits are not acceptable. Shirts should be of a plain white or pastel shade (no dark colours). A School or House tie and a School boater or School Cap (if applicable) should be worn. Some of our international students choose to wear their National dress for this occasion, which is an entirely appropriate option. If you have any queries, please email the Senior Master, Mr Matthews.

#### **SPORTS KIT**

#### All Sixth Formers need the following, available from the School Shop:

- School tracksuit bottoms
- School white polo shirt
- School showerproof training jacket/School fleece (or both)
- Boys School white shorts

If pupils are selected for School teams, they may need to purchase kit and a School games holdall as advised by the PE department.

#### **BOARDERS' KIT LIST**

Boarding bedrooms must be kept clean and tidy at all times. Some boarders purchase clothing online, but they must ensure that they have adequate space in their bedrooms to accommodate these purchases. If possessions accumulate, items may be placed in storage off-site or couriered home. Storage in the rooms is adequate, and includes a wardrobe and a drawer. Each pupil has lockable storage for mobile phones/laptop etc.

The boarders' kit list is clear, and we request pupils adhere to it. All items of clothing brought to School must be clearly labelled with name and House initials. Labels can be purchased from the School Shop, or on www.schoolblazer.com.

#### Luggage

Pupils are allowed to bring one suitcase and one piece of hand luggage to School at the beginning of each term.

#### **Casual and Personal Clothes** (for example)

- Appropriate underwear and nightwear (including dressing gown)
- 4 pairs of casual shoes (including one pair of trainers for games/PE)
- 4 pairs of casual bottoms (jeans, trousers, shorts, skirts etc)
- 4 casual tops (t-shirts, shirts etc)
- 1 coat iacket
- 3 items of warmer outerwear (hoodies, jumpers, fleece etc)
- Pupils in all senior year groups

#### **Electrical Items**

Many electrical items are not allowed in rooms for health and safety reasons. As such, electrical items should be restricted to the following:

- Laptop and/or tablet
- Small set of external speakers for ipod music player or similar
- Hairdryer/straighteners
- Mobile phone and charger
- Camera

Extension cables are *not* allowed to be used in boarding rooms. Cooking equipment and kettles are strictly forbidden.

#### **Toiletries**

Toiletries can be purchased at the School Shop or in the local town centre. Your son/daughter will also need to bring two labelled bath towels, or these can be purchased on arrival.

#### **Bedding**

Two sets of bedding for a single bed. Bedding packs can be pre-ordered from the School Shop; the packs, include two pillows, a duvet, duvet cover and pillow cases, plus a bath towel and a hand towel. Pre-ordered bedding will have name tapes sewn in, and will be delivered to the pupil's House prior to arrival. The bedding pack and name tapes should be paid for on arrival. You can either bring, or purchase, additional bed linen from local shops on arrival (for when a set is in the laundry).

#### Food

A small amount of snack food may be stored in boarding rooms. Tuck boxes for this purpose are provided in the School Shop. Food can only be stored in these boxes. Perishable items must not be stored in rooms, and will be removed for health and safety reasons. Fridges are available for use in House kitchens.

#### Furniture, Storage and Additional Items

All necessary furniture, fixtures and fittings will be provided by the School. Please do not bring any additional items. All rooms have to be completely stripped at the end of each term to allow domestic staff to thoroughly clean. When they leave at the end of the Upper Sixth, pupils must take all their belongings with them, or organise an external storage company.

#### If you bring too much

To ensure a safe environment, some items may need to be put into storage until the end of term, when they can be taken home.