



Uniform Policy 2026

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Introduction

Wearing school uniform is an integral part of our school community in promoting positive attitudes as well as high standards. High standards of personal appearance are expected of all students as these standards support the ethos of Lyng Hall School. We believe that our uniform represents the high standards of the school and as such we would like students to take pride in their presentation.

Aims and Purpose

The aim of our uniform policy at Lyng Hall School is to demonstrate a commitment to insisting on a high standard of personal appearance of all students. Through our uniform dress code we aim to:

- Encourage students to take pride in their appearance and in the school
- Encourage students to have a sense of pride in their community
- Enable a safe and secure environment in which students learn how to dress appropriately in preparation for life beyond school
- Facilitate a sense of inclusion and equality
- Develop attitudes and behaviour that enables students to take an active and responsible role in the adult world
- Protect students from social pressures to dress in a particular way
- Ensure that students present the school in a positive way within the community
- Encourage individual responsibility for personal presentation as students move from compulsory to post-compulsory education
- Ensure that the uniform enables students to be equipped for learning and students minimise risk of injury (e.g. mouth guard and shin pads for PE)

In this way, the Uniform and Dress Code Policy contributes to the overall aims of the school. Note: The policy also applies to those school visits when uniform is to be worn and when travelling to and from school, it is important that students understand that they are representing the Lyng Hall School community.

It is the responsibility of all staff, parents/carers and students to ensure that students are dressed appropriately and in accordance with our policy.

Regulation items of uniform can be purchased from our recommended suppliers: Cat Ballou Original Ltd; 1-3 The Burges, Coventry, CV1 1HN; Tel: 024 76555499; <https://www.catballou.co.uk>

If you purchase from other suppliers, it is important that you stay within school uniform expected standards stated below.

Regulation items of uniform

Below is a list of the items of uniform that are accepted as part of the Lyng Hall School uniform policy. A suitable combination of these items is expected to be worn. Please see the notes/additional information column where it clearly states whether an item is optional or required.

All items can be worn at all times of the year. At the school's discretion an item such as ties or blazers may be removed, for example, during the warmer summer months. A list of the schools recommended suppliers are above, but many items, as long as they meet the stated requirements, can be purchased more widely, including from second-hand retailers.

Uniform:

Lyng Hall Blazer, Lyng Hall Jumper or Lyng Hall fleece
(Students must have at least one of these logoed items as their outer garment)
White Shirt/blouse
Black Trousers/Skirt (no leggings or denim)
Black Shoes (plain without logo)
Lyng Hall School Tie – colour dependent on school college
(The first tie to be issued by the school on the first day)

PE Kit:

Lyng Hall black & red polo shirt
Lyng Hall shorts and/or Lyng Hall tracksuit bottoms
Swimming costume/shorts

“Plain” is defined as being without embellishment, i.e. studs, additional zips, braiding, logos etc. Students may remove their blazer with the permission of a member of staff during a lesson. Jumpers, if worn, are not a replacement for the blazer and should be worn under the blazer. We recommend that all uniform is identified with the owner's name. Baseball caps are not permitted. Hats and scarves may be worn when permitted in inclement weather and must be removed when inside the building.

The school is happy to support students in wearing items, which relate to culture or religion. Lyng Hall values diversity and respects cultural differences in headwear. Clear boundaries and a professional ethos are maintained. Pupils' faces must remain visible for engagement, participation, and identification. Head coverings and headscarves for religious or cultural reasons are allowed.

It will be appreciated that there cannot be endless arguments about dress, and the school's decision on whether appearance is appropriate for school or not must be the final one. Students whose appearance is not appropriate for school may be sent home and asked to change.

Cost of Uniform

We want to ensure that the cost of uniform is affordable for all families and does not lead to students feeling socially excluded or unable to afford other necessities. As a result we have taken steps to limit the number of required items that carry the school logo. Parents/carers who are unable to provide their child with the required items of school uniform should contact the Head Teacher. Such approaches will be handled with discretion and sensitivity.

The cost of equipping a student with our uniform (including 2 pairs of trousers/skirts, and 4 white shirts) can be as low as £120 if non-branded elements are purchased

from a high street supermarket store and if only the essential elements are purchased. This increases to circa £210 if all non-essential elements are also purchased such as a PE hoodie.

The School operates a 'fill a 'bag for life' for £10' scheme for parents/carers who wish to purchase previously used items of uniform.

All students need a suitable bag with all necessary equipment to ensure they are ready to learn.

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