

Becket School

Uniform Policy 2023 (to be ratified by Governors May 2023)

Uniform plays an important part in supporting and promoting our ethos of 'Work hard, be kind and do the right thing'. It sets the appropriate tone for education and also provides a sense of belonging and identity to our Catholic school.

Working with our supplier the cost of our uniform is reviewed each year to ensure that it is 'reasonable and secures the best value for money and parents'. We recognise that the quality and durability of a garment are important considerations alongside its base cost, as we know that high quality uniforms are sustainable and long lasting, producing savings for families over the longer term.

The compulsory branded items that are included in our general school uniform have been kept to the minimum and are longer lasting items. For the general school uniform these include the school trouser, school skirt and tie and for the PE kit include the PE shorts and PE polo shirt. Other branded items are optional.

For selected items including the tie, school badge, school trousers, school skirt, PE shorts, PE polo shirt and PE socks the school has a set provider (Big Fish). Purchasing items from our supplier is highly recommended as parents can then be certain that uniform is correct. The service they provide includes:

- Online ordering from <https://www.bigfishschoolwear.co.uk/school/login> , The login details for this is Username: Becket Password: Pelican6
- Uniform events in the Summer term which parents will be informed of
- Free delivery service to the school during term time only or Deliveries to home via the DPD company which comes with a delivery charge
- Personalised service for parents that may need uniform that is different from the standard sizing

The school ensures that there's is a competitive procurement process and this contract will be re-tendered at least every five years. These arrangements provide better value for money for families, ensure year round availability of products for all pupils, and enables our retailer to provide tailored affordability support to those who need it.

The school provides extra support with the cost of school uniform to eligible families. We also ensure a constant supply of second hand uniform which is available for parents to acquire. We will ensure that all second hand uniform is still of a high standard and suitable for second hand provision. Parents, who wish to access second hand uniform or feel that they would be eligible for extra support with the cost of our school uniform are to contact their child's Progress Leader.

Progress Leaders (Sept 2023-July2024)







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Item	Picture	Description	Notes and Exclusions
Tie		School tie.	Tied in a single knot with 6 or more stripes showing.
Blazer		Black Blazer.	To be worn at all times in the school building, only removed with staff permission. Sleeves to be kept long.
Badges		A school and house badge are to be worn on the blazer.	The only other badges permitted on a blazer are those given out by school e.g. achievement, commendations.
Shirt		White traditional school shirt with formal collar. Long or short sleeves.	No three-quarter sleeves allowed. No tailored shirts. Top button to be done up at all times. Must be tucked into skirt or trousers at all times including breaks and lunches.
Skirt		Branded school skirt	Belts should not be worn with the skirt. Skirts should not be rolled up. No more than 4cm gap between knee and hem length. Skirts should not be rolled up.
Trousers		Branded school trouser.	

Jumper		Plain mid grey. V neck. Long sleeves.	Cardigans are not permitted. Jumpers should not be tucked into skirt or trousers.
Socks		Plain black and grey socks only.	No white socks. These must cover the ankle, no trainer socks are allowed. No pop socks. No long/knee socks. No socks with frill or extra design.
Tights		Plain black or grey colour.	No skin coloured tights. No patterns. No leggings/footless tights. No bright or coloured socks.
Shoes		Black, traditional school shoes. Preferably with a strap, laces or buckle.	No boots. Slip on shoes may only be worn if they cover the top of the foot giving protection to the whole foot. No open toe shoes. No trainers (black or otherwise), no shoes with sports logo or athletic style laces as these will be considered as trainers. Students who come in trainers will be asked to wear school-owned shoes.
Coat		Plain and black, no patterns.	No hoodies - these will be confiscated. A small discreet logo on the side of the coat will be permitted. No fur coats, leather jackets, denim, fur or faux coats or gilets.
Scarf, hat, gloves		Black and plain.	No other colour other than black allowed, no patterned scarves. No hats with logo, no baseball caps.
Earrings		One small discreet silver or gold spherical stud in each earlobe.	Spherical studs only (no other shape), no stone within the stud, no other facial, tongue or body piercings.

Hair bobbles/ Alice bands		To be black and discreet.	
School bags		A black rucksack or other school bag of appropriate size for school.	No small rucksacks, no paper-type shopping bags or plastic bags. No handbag-style bags. A small discreet logo will be permitted.
Hair styles		Must be smart and practical. Level 1 shaving is allowed on the sides of the head but must be graduated to longer length hair on the top. Braids are welcomed including Box, Goddess, Dutch, French and Fulani braids. One bead that matches the student's hair colour may be worn at the end of each individual braid. Wigs and weave that are conventional in style are permitted.	The following are not permitted: Tram lines/patterns shaved into the hair, zero and 1 level shaving all over the head (buzz cuts), undercuts, hair dye which is greater than two shades lighter/darker of natural colour. No woven strands of any colour are allowed in braids. Any hair extensions should match hair colour or not exceed two shades lighter/darker. All long hair must be tied back for lessons where it would pose a health and safety risk.
NOT ALLOWED	Make-up, Fake eye lashes, nail varnish, false nails, tattoos, jewellery including rings, necklaces, bracelets and hair jewellery, electrical devices including mobile phones, smart watches and other smart devices, cameras, ipods. Aerosols and laser pens should not be brought into school.		

The wearing of baseball caps and hoodies is not acceptable. These will be confiscated and will be dealt with in accordance with the School Behavioural Policy. Hairstyles/colours which draw undue attention to an individual are not acceptable. Black "trainer type shoes" manufactured by sports companies e.g.: Nike, Adidas, Puma, Lonsdale, Converse, Vans etc. will not be accepted as school shoes. Students may be sent home for any of the above.

The school will be the final arbiter on what is deemed to be acceptable as school uniform.

Naming of pupil property is important for clear identification if it is misplaced or lost. In exceptional circumstances, where students are unable to wear correct school dress, parents are asked to provide a note for the form tutor to consider.

Aerosols, laser pens, all electrical items such as ipods, mobile phones, smart devices, cameras, smart watches and items which interfere with the smooth running of the school day are all banned items and must be left at home. You should be aware that these items may be searched for and if found will be confiscated. A confiscated item will be dealt with in accordance with the School Behaviour Policy.

PE Kit requirements

Compulsory items			
<p>POLO SHIRT Becket blue polo shirt with school logo</p>	<p>SHORTS FOR BOYS/SKORT FOR GIRLS Becket blue shorts with school logo</p>	<p>SOCKS Plain Blue socks</p>	<p>TRAINER Sports Trainers</p>
			
Highly Recommended			
<p>FOOTBALL BOOTS WITH MOULDED STUDS OR BLADES Used for Rugby, Football and Cross country. If there is difficulty with the provision of these, please bring in a note from home.</p>		<p>BECKET HOODIE Becket Blue Hoodie with logo</p>	
			
Optional items			
<p>NAVY BECKET TRACK PANTS (Can be replaced by plain Navy joggers)</p>	<p>NAVY MID LAYER</p>	<p>NAVY BECKET LEGINS (Can be replaced by plain Navy leggings)</p>	
			

Students are expected to arrive at lessons with the appropriate kit, so that the learning environment is positive and safe

All students must bring their PE kit, including those who are injured or cannot participate.

Students must also bring a note and will be expected to participate as fully as their injury/ailment allows. This may include ; coaching, refereeing or officiating.

All students are made aware of these expectations when they begin school and are further reminded every September.

Students are not permitted to wear earrings for PE. They must be removed. Any piercings should be done in the summer holidays to allow the ears time to heal. Failure to remove earrings will result in the student being removed from the lesson and isolated in our Reflection Centre.

The school reserves the right to take disciplinary action against any child whose uniform does not comply with these requirements set out in this policy