SCHOOL UNIFORM POLICY
Parent/carer and student information sheet Updated 10.11.22

## Promotion of School Uniform

Through the PBL (Positive Behavior for Learning) program both teachers and student leaders will explicitly teach students at assemblies, pastoral care and other meetings, that correct wearing of uniform is valued by the school and is a positive part of belonging to Galston High School for the following reasons:
> Wearing correct uniform builds a sense of community and ownership in the student body, ensuring pride in the school as well as forming a lasting impression of the school in the wider community.
> Builds students' self-esteem and confidence.
> Provides a clear identification of students within the school and community.
> Correct wearing of Galston High School uniform is acknowledged by the school and the community and rewarded through commendations.
> Wearing correct uniform results in positive record on school reports.
> Wearing correct uniform allows students to participate in extracurricular activities such as excursions and other formal school functions.
> Wearing correct uniform develops skills in students about meeting safety expectations that are important in working life.

## Our Uniform Expectations

It is expected that all students will attend Galston High School at all times in appropriate uniform, including fully enclosed black leather shoes (no coloured markings permitted). Students who do not wear full school uniform may be required to wear the uniform provided by the school. Girls who wear leggings/tights instead the school skirt, trousers/shorts or PE uniform will not be permitted to attend class and will be required to wear the uniform provided by the school.

Parents will be contacted for those students who are regularly out of uniform so that they can work with the school to ensure students meet the required dress code. Continual refusal to wear school uniform will be managed through the Student Code of Conduct procedures of the school. Please note if you are experiencing difficulty in providing the correct school uniform for your child, assistance may be available.

## Our Uniform Comprises

- Boys - Long navy pants or shorts made from drill/gabardine-type fabric (no sport style shorts or fabrics permitted)
- Girls - Check navy and teal skirts, navy pants or shorts made from drill/gabardine-type fabric (no sport style shorts or fabrics permitted)
- School shirt - Pale blue buttoned shirt for juniors (Years 7-10) and white buttoned shirt for seniors (Years 11-12) with the school logo.
- School sloppy joe, jacket or blazer.
- Appropriate footwear - black leather shoes (no coloured markings) that completely enclose the foot (illustrations below).
- White ankle socks (no anklet or invisible socks permitted).


## PE and Sports Uniform

Students may wear full sports uniform with the school sloppy joe/jacket on Thursdays for sport. On days where students have PE, they are required to wear full school uniform and bring their PE uniform to change into before the lesson. The PE/Sport uniform is unisex and consists of:

- Navy shorts with GHS logo and/or navy tracksuit pants.
- GHS teal PE/sport shirt.
- Students must wear lace up sports shoes that support the foot during physical activity. Soft sided shoes are not acceptable footwear for sport/PE.
- White ankle socks (no anklet or invisible socks permitted).

The Department of Education Health \& Safety Directorate clearly states in the publication Footwear Guidelines (October 2012) that to comply with Government policy, enclosed leather footwear must be worn in industrial arts and trade workshop areas, science laboratories, canteen, food technology, visual arts and agricultural areas.

The school expects that students wear black leather lace up style shoes with no other colours evident. The shoe must cover the top of the foot and have a small heel. Buckle style shoes will be accepted as long as the shoe covers the top of the foot.

## ACCEPTABLE FOOTWEAR



UNACCEPTABLE FOOTWEAR


Students MUST NOT wear soft leather open style "Mary Jane" shoes, black fabric shoes or any other nonleather shoe that does not cover the top of the foot. If students present for class (including PE/Sport) with inappropriate footwear the student will be offered alternative educational activities.

## Additional Information

- Accessories (scarves, hats, etc) are expected to compliment the school uniform if worn. Hats are not to be worn inside school buildings. A Galston High School cap is available from the uniform shop.
- In winter, students may wear the school sloppy joe or the school jacket and/or a white, cream, grey or pale blue long sleeve t-shirt/skivvy under their school shirt for warmth.
- Girls may wear black or navy stockings/tights (no leggings).
- Blankets can be used for warmth during the cooler months. They are not to be used as an article of clothing.

The school uniform can be purchased from the P\& C Uniform Shop located in the school on the top floor above the hall. Opening hours are Tuesday 8am - 2pm and Thursday 8am to 11am. The Uniform Shop can be contacted directly on 96511118 during these hours. Major credit cards, EFTPOS and cash accepted.

## Our major areas of concern during Winter in regard to uniform are:

- Navy blue Tracksuit pants can only be worn on Thursday for sport by Years 8-12.
- Long navy blue school trousers for boys and girls can be worn during the year. They are recommended in winter for warmth.
- Black sports tights are unacceptable on their own - even with a note - students will be changed into appropriate clothing from the clothing pool. Alternatively, parents/carers will be contacted to bring the correct uniform to school for students to change into.
- We do permit full length black tights to be worn under skirts with black socks over the top of the feet area.
- School blazer, jacket or sloppy joe is the only style of winter covering permitted.
- Black leather closed in leather shoes - no coloured markings at all.
- No thongs are permitted at any time to be worn even with a note.
- Scarves can be worn - black, teal, navy only.


## Procedure for the Monitoring of School Uniform

In the unlikely event that a student is not wearing full school uniform, they may be excluded from specific educational activities. Students may also be excluded from certain educational activities where the health and safety of the student or other students would be compromised. Such exclusion may also be required if a student's clothing compromises agreed upon school community standards as set out in this policy.

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