



The Latimer Arts College Policy Document
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Policy:

Student Uniform Policy (Years 7-11)

Aims: To secure exemplary business like standards of dress across the College, encouraging students to dress smart and think smart.

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By adopting a uniform procedure, our aim is to encourage our students to dress smart and think smart. All students who attend The Latimer Arts College should adhere to the following uniform procedures:

College blazer: to be worn at all times but may be removed in lessons and at lunchtime.

White school shirt: shirts must be worn tucked in and must be conventional school shirts and not fashion blouses.

College tie (clip-on)

College jumper: optional.

Plain black full length school trousers or plain black school knee length skirt: please note that leggings, lycra skirts, jeans and chino trousers are not permitted.

Plain black school shoes: please note that trainers and canvas shoes are not permitted.

PE and Dance Uniform

Please note that the original red PE polo shirt is now obsolete and therefore, a new PE uniform has had to be introduced from September 2017. The wearing of the new PE uniform will be compulsory for Year 7 students from September 2017 but optional for those in Year 8 upwards. If older students wish to purchase/wear the new uniform they are welcome to.

However, as the old PE kit will no longer be available to purchase, from September 2018 **all** students will be expected to wear the new compulsory PE Kit.

PE BASIC KIT for YEAR 7

Training shoes (not fashion boots) with non-marking soles
Black/White shorts or Black Scarlet Skort with school badge
Red socks
Red Polo Shirt with school badge
Towel

PE BASIC KIT for OTHER YEAR GROUPS (for 2017/18 only)

Training shoes (not fashion boots) with non-marking soles
Plain Black Shorts
Red socks
Red polo / rugby shirt
Towel

DANCE KIT

T-shirt or red PE polo shirt
Jogging bottoms / leggings / shorts or dance trousers
Bare feet or appropriate dance shoes

Optional PE Items

Football boots, shin pads and gum shields are recommended. Performance top (black with red trim) available from the College.

Additional Uniform Procedures

Coats: Should students wish to wear an outdoor jacket or coat to College, please be mindful that these should support the business like College policy. Coats should be of a plain colour and not emblazoned with badges, printed slogans or pictures. Jackets should not be too casual, for example denim, leather, tracksuit tops, hooded tops, sweatshirts, non-College jumpers or cardigans. Before investing in a winter coat, please liaise with the College if you are in any doubt as to what is acceptable.

Jewellery: Students are permitted to wear one stud in each earlobe, a watch and a “medical alert” bracelet or necklace. No other body piercings, jewellery or charity bands are allowed. Ear plugs, tapers and bars are not permitted, nor are earrings that are not in the lobe of the ear. If seen, these items will be confiscated.

No jewellery is to be worn in Dance and PE lessons for safety reasons.

Make-up: We discourage the wearing of make-up to College but if worn it should appear subtle and natural. Gel and acrylic nails are not permitted and nails should not be painted. Students will be instructed to remove inappropriate make-up, nails or nail varnish.

Hair: Hair must be cut in a formal style suitable for College. Hair colour should look natural. Unnatural colours such as pink and green etc are not permitted. Closely shaved hair (below number 3), excessively spiked hair, patterns and designs in hair are not permitted. If parents are unsure if a particular hairstyle will be permitted by the College, please contact us prior to restyling taking place. Long hair must be tied back for Dance and PE lessons and when undertaking practical work in Design Technology and Science.

Valuables: Personal property brought into the College is done so at the owner’s risk. We do encourage our students to respect each other’s property and we do take reasonable steps to ensure the safety of such items. However, if things become lost or damaged, we cannot accept liability for this.

Please note that mobile phones, i-pods and MP3 players are not permitted in College. If seen, these will be confiscated.

Additional Important Information

College blazers, ties and optional jumpers should be purchased from the College's uniform supplier: **Karl Sports Clothing**. Contact details and how to order uniform is on the College website www.latimer.org.uk. Click on "Parents and Carers" then on "Uniform and PE Kit". PE kit is also available to order from Karl Sports Clothing.

During extreme weather conditions, daily moderations to the uniform procedures may be made by the Principal. For example, students may be permitted to wear alternative footwear if there are icy conditions or permitted to remove ties and blazers if the weather is extremely hot. Parents/carers will be notified, where relevant, on a day to day basis, through the use of School Gateway, should this be the case.

Where there are breaches of the College's uniform procedures, sanctions, in line with the College's Behaviour for Learning Policy, will be applied accordingly. This may mean that students are sent home to get changed or placed in isolation and not permitted to attend timetabled lessons.

We would be grateful if parents/carers would consider donating blazers and ties at the end of Year 11 so that the College can recycle these. For other years, a 'swap shop' arrangement is in place, whereby blazers that are now too small can be swapped for a second-hand larger size (sizes permitting). We encourage all parents/carers to participate in this money saving system, details of which can be obtained on the College's website.