Lincoln Christ’s Hospital School

School Uniform Policy

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2020/21 School Uniform Policy Years 7 to 11

Introduction

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This School Uniform Policy was produced following an extensive consultation with all school stakeholders and in accordance with The Human Rights Act 1998 and DfE Guidelines as issued to schools in October 2007. It is compulsory for all students at the school.

Lincoln Christ’s Hospital School is committed to setting high standards in all aspects of school life. This school uniform is integral to this, promoting consistency and helping to set the right climate for learning for all pupils. If pupils take pride in their appearance, they take pride in themselves, their school and their learning. Another reason for this uniform policy is to ease the pressure that children can put on parents to provide fashionable and often expensive clothes for school.

The Governors require all students attending Lincoln Christ’s Hospital School to abide by their dress code and wear the school uniform, not only in school but to and from school and on school organised activities, unless instructed otherwise. There is no exception to the rule. It is a condition of membership of the school. The support of the parents is expected in enforcing this policy and it must be remembered that problems arise when the occasional student flouts the rule and others see it as unfair for them to conform to the school rule when somebody else does not.

Please help by ensuring that your son/daughter has all the correct uniform and arrives in school wearing it.

### School Uniform

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<td>Blazer*</td>
<td>A navy blue, school blazer with the school badge on the breast pocket.</td>
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<td>Tie*</td>
<td>LCHS tie appropriate for their year group.</td>
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<td>Jumper*</td>
<td>A navy blue, school jumper or cardigan with the school badge. These items are optional but may be necessary during the winter months.</td>
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<td>Shirt</td>
<td>White, conventional, school shirt with top button.</td>
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<td>Trousers*</td>
<td>Graphite grey, smart, straight leg tailored trousers only in conventional school style. Cotton drill, jean style, chinos or skin tight are not acceptable (for the school to determine). Trousers should not be cropped (there should be no significant gap between the bottom of the trouser and the shoe).</td>
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<td>Skirt*</td>
<td>Grey, stitch down, pleated skirt with LCHS logo on the front only, black or grey tights. Skirt is not to be worn just with socks. Must be of reasonable length just above the knee and not rolled up.</td>
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<td>Socks</td>
<td>Plain black or dark grey.</td>
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<td>Shoes</td>
<td>Black, sensible shoes and shoes with a low heel are allowed. Flimsy, fashion shoes, canvas shoes, plimsolls, trainers or boots are not allowed. Where a pupil is forced due to legitimate medical reasons to wear trainers instead of shoes, a medical note is required.</td>
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* items are available to purchase from Uniform Direct shop

**Advisory note**
If you are in doubt when purchasing any of these items from a retailer other than the ones specified in this document (especially school trousers) then please speak to the school directly to ensure they are within the school policy. Some retailers will advertise these products as school wear but have not been approved by the school or our policy. The school reserves the right to determine whether a specific item meets the school’s uniform policy.

Physical Education Uniform

All items of Physical Education uniform must be badged items bought from our uniform supplier. No other clothing is acceptable. It is strongly advised that parents ensure that all uniform items are clearly marked with the student’s name.

*Asterisked items are available to purchase from Uniform Direct shop*

*Compulsory for Girls*
- *School polo top (fitted or unisex);
- *School shorts or skort;
- *School football socks.

*Compulsory for Boys*
- *School rugby top;
- *School shorts;
- *School football socks.

*Optional for Boys and Girls*
- *School hoodie;
- *School tracksuit bottoms;
- *School polo top (boys);
- Navy blue or black, base layer.
- *Navy blue leggings with school logo.

Other clothing and Personal Protection Equipment (PPE)
- Navy blue swimming costume (girls);
- Navy blue swimming trunks/shorts (boys);
- Red swimming cap (boys and girls);
- Shin pads (boys and girls);
- Mouth guard (boys and girls).

Any unacceptable item(s) will be confiscated and held in the student’s year office, to be collected at the end of the day.

Blazers should be worn at all times outside of the classroom. Students are allowed to remove their blazers in the classroom with the teacher’s permission.

Other Areas of Dress

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<td>Coats</td>
<td>Hoodies, denim jackets, non-weatherproof sports tops or non-school cardigans and jumpers are not acceptable.</td>
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<td>Nails</td>
<td>Long nails, false/gel nails and nail varnish are not permitted.</td>
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<td>Jewellery</td>
<td>The only jewellery allowed is a wristwatch, one signet ring, one bracelet and one set of very small stud or sleeper earrings.</td>
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<td>Hair</td>
<td>Extreme hairstyles are not permitted and the school reserves the right to advise parents on what it considers to be extreme. Closely shaved heads, brightly dyed/block or dip dyed hair and tramlines in hair or eyebrows are not acceptable. Rather than spend money unnecessarily on a hair style that is likely to be unacceptable students/parents are urged to consult with the Headteacher before any hair style is adopted. Long hair must be tied back for all Science, Sport and Design Technology lessons for Health and Safety reasons.</td>
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<td>Make-up</td>
<td>Natural and subtle make-up will be accepted in school but excessive make-up will not. It is for the school to determine what is acceptable make-up.</td>
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<td>Piercings</td>
<td>Stretchers, spikes, retainers, helix bars, facial or tongue piercings are not allowed.</td>
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**Items of clothing or jewellery that are associated with adherence to a religious faith or are associated with belonging to a particular ethnicity**

The school uniform above may be supplemented with the following items for students who are members of a particular faith/ethnicity. If any families have any queries relating to the religious/ethnicity points, they should approach the Headteacher. He, in turn, will take advice from the DfE and/or religious community leaders before any final decision is made.

- Sikh head dress (navy blue preferred);
- Jewish skull caps;
- Head scarves for girls who follow the Muslim faith or who wear them as a normal part of their dress (navy blue preferred);
- Facial jewellery for girls who follow the Hindu faith.

**Failure to follow the School Uniform Policy**

This School Uniform Policy is an integral part of the Home School Agreement which all families and students accept when students join our school (can be found in admissions pack, on our website [Parents/Policies/Statutory/Home School Agreement] or on pg 10-11 of the student planner).

To ensure that any infringement of the School Uniform Policy is handled fairly, school have a procedure in place. If a student has a medical reason or a note from a parent/carer, he/she will be issued with a green card for the dates set out in the note. If a student attends school without a note, he/she will report to the uniform store and will be given an appropriate replacement. The student will be issued with a red card and, consequently, given a 10 minute break detention.
It is the responsibility of the parent/carer to inform school of any infringement in writing (a signed note in the student planner) to authorise the infringement. When a student arrives in incorrect uniform and no note is received from home, it will be treated as an unauthorised infringement.

Furthermore, any students who persistently refuse to follow this policy will be held in breach of our School Conduct for Learning Policy and will have break and lunch privileges withdrawn. Persistent failure will result in the student being placed in supervised isolation. This may, in extremis, include school exclusion.

**Financial Cost**

This policy has been developed to be an economical and cost effective way of clothing children for school. The school blazer is the single most expensive item. This is available complete with a badge from two independent suppliers.

If families have difficulties in being able to purchase any items as a result of financial hardship, they are asked to contact the Headteacher to discuss support that may be available.

**Details of our local store supplier of all the items that carry the school badge**

- Uniform Direct, 333 High Street, Lincoln, LN5 7DQ
- Uniform Direct, Dixon House, Dixon Way, Lincoln LN6 7XN
- Orders can be placed online – [www.uniform-direct.com](http://www.uniform-direct.com)