

Forge Valley Uniform Policy

Policy development:

This policy has been developed by building on our own best practice and that of other educational networks. It has been developed in consultation with governors, parents, staff and students and is accessible through the Forge Valley website

Governor Committee: Standards

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Member of Staff responsible: Headteacher

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We have a strict Uniform Code (shown below) which we expect all our pupils to adhere to. Correct school uniform is an important basic standard. The purposes behind this uniform policy are:

- to promote a positive school image;
- to encourage self-esteem in pupils by reducing competitive dressing;
- to prepare pupils for the expectations of employers with regard to standards of dress.

Blazer *	Forge Valley branded blazer
Tie * 1	Forge Valley red and black tie or Prefect tie
Shirt	Plain white tailored, collared long or short sleeved shirt (with a top button)
Jumper* – Optional	Forge Valley branded black Jumper
Trousers	Plain black formal tailored trousers with a front pleat/crease in suit type material. Must not be tight fitting.
Skirt	Plain black knee length skirt in suit type material. Must not be tight fitting.
Footwear	Plain black formal smart shoes. Black leather boots may be worn in winter but must be worn under the trousers. No Ugg style boots nor no ballet pumps. Pupils not in correct footwear will be given plimsolls to wear.
Socks	Plain black ankle or below the knee socks
Tights	Plain solid black e.g. 40 denier
Belts	Plain black attached to waistband
Coats, hats, scarves & gloves	Only to be worn outside the building
Jewellery	No more than the following may be worn: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One pair of studs or small rings, one in each ear • One ring on each hand • One necklace worn inside the clothes • One bracelet • One watch No facial or tongue piercings
Make up and false nails	Discreet and no false eyelashes No False nails/Acrylic nails
Hair	The school does not permit children to have extreme haircuts or colour

PE Kit	<p><u>Compulsory</u></p> <p>Royal blue Forge Valley branded T shirt Navy blue sports shorts – no logos Navy blue football socks Trainers – no pumps or converse Football boots and shin pads Hair bobble for long hair</p> <p><u>Optional extras</u></p> <p>Plain navy blue sweatshirt or Forge Valley branded Hooded Top Plain navy blue Tracksuit bottoms – no logos Waterproof sports jacket (any colour)</p>	} Outside in } winter only
	<p>Please note that pupils who are excused from PE must still bring their full FV PE kit and take an alternative role in lessons. Any student without kit will be asked to wear spare FV PE kit.</p>	

The guidance on the wearing of jewellery has been determined by our Health and Safety Policy and our obligations under anti-discrimination legislation. We ask that pupils and their parents remain aware that school dress, including the wearing of jewellery and make up should reflect what is considered safe, professional and appropriate in a wider context. All jewellery must be removed for PE.

We retain the right to determine what is acceptable and individual cases will be referred to the Headteacher for a final decision.

We are a place of learning and the progress of pupils and their safety informs everything we do.

We clearly encourage ethnic pupils to continue to wear cultural dress to school but would ask that they conform to the school colours.

Any pupil who does not conform to the school uniform arrangements will be dealt with within the normal structure of disciplinary procedures and parents will be contacted. Pupils, where appropriate, will be sent home to change into school uniform. Please see the examples of uniform which is not permitted.

* Blazers, jumpers and ties must be ordered through Pinder’s Schoolwear, either through the school, on-line or at their shops. (Crystal Peaks or Rotherham town centre).

¹ All pupils borrowing a school tie must return it to pupil reception at the end of the school day or the beginning of the following school day. Failure to do so will result in parents being charged £4 via ParentPay.

What is not acceptable?

			
<p>No mini-skirts</p>	<p>No tight lycra skirts</p>	<p>No tight Trousers</p>	<p>No Jeans</p>
			
<p>No visible zips or buckles</p>	<p>No designer/decorated ballerina pumps</p>	<p>No canvas Shoes/Trainers</p>	<p>Skirts must be plain black, not too tight and not shorter than the knee</p>

What is acceptable?



Trousers must be Plain black formal tailored trousers with a front pleat/crease in suit type material. Trousers must not be tight nor have visible zips or buckles.

Skirts must be plain black, not too tight and not shorter than the knee



School shoes are particularly expensive, but we have had some issues with parents spending a lot of money on footwear which clearly does not take note of the school's policy. Indeed, we are told that many retail outlets promote these trainer like shoes as being 'school shoes'.

School shoes plain black and formal/smart shoes