

# Uniform Policy

# SEPTEMBER 2023 TO AUGUST 2024

Rossall students are expected to look smart at all times during the School day.

As a standard, the following is expected:

# UNIFORM AND APPEARANCE (YEARS 7 - 11)

- 1. Full school uniform should be worn at all times; this includes official school games kit which should not be worn at any time other than for sports based activities. Hoodies do not form part of the school uniform.
- 2. Hair should be clean, neat and tidy, and off the face with no extremes of colour or style. No hair should be shorter than a grade 2 (6mm); skin fades are not acceptable. Hair should be one consistent colour. Boys should be clean shaven and hair should not come below the collar or fall across the eyes. Hair should be tied back whenever the school uniform is worn.
- 3. All pupils' footwear should be shoes and not boots and must be flat, polishable and black.
- 4. No jewellery should be visible with the exceptions of a watch and one optional pair of sleeper or stud earrings worn in the ear lobe for girls.
- 5. Makeup, if worn, should be natural looking and discreet. The wearing of fake tan, false or enhanced eyelashes is not permitted. Nails should be of a suitable length for school and only clear nail polish is permitted.
- 6. Clothing and shoe wear should be clean and in good repair.
- 7. All pupils are required to have a school bag which should be a plain dark colour. No large logos or patterns are permitted.
- 8. Day and Boarding, Years 7 11, are required to wear;
  - Rossall Blazer with School motif (must always be worn unless otherwise instructed)
  - Rossall V-neck sweater (navy or red) with school motif (optional, but must be worn with a blazer)
  - Plain white shirt or blouse (tucked in and top button fastened)
  - Rossall House tie
  - Rossall Reversible Stormproof for Years 7 to 11; navy wool overcoat for Years 9 to 11 may be worn as may a Rossall fleece scarf for Year 7 and 8 and the college scarf for Years 9 to 11. No other coat or scarf is permitted.
  - For boys:
  - Charcoal grey trousers (tailored cut) with plain dark grey/black socks
  - For girls:
  - Navy full length trousers (straight leg, tailored cut) with plain navy/black socks for girls please see Marks
     & Spencer acceptable styles here [1] [2] [3] OR
  - Rossall skirt (on or below the knee) worn correctly with plain black/navy opaque tights.

Adjudication on uniform and appearance are at the discretion of the Senior Leadership Executive.

Pupils who breach this uniform policy may be sent home and in instances of repeat offending may be directed to wear or permanently remove specific items.

## SIXTH FORM DRESS CODE

Our Sixth Form students are ambassadors for the wider school community and serve as role models to those in the younger years. As such, it is important that they look **smart**, **purposeful** and **professional** when on campus, as well as when travelling to and from school. We expect all members of the community to respect and support the ethos of the School.

We are keen to allow our students at the top of the school an element of choice in their dress code, but expect all students to present themselves in a **smart** and **purposeful** manner.

#### Sixth Form Uniform

We expect our Sixth Form students to adhere to this code during all academic lessons. Sports kits may be worn during afternoons where students have Games, or during PE/BTEC practical lessons, as instructed by staff.

- Students should wear a formal jacket at all times. This may be accompanied by tailored trousers (as part of a two-piece suit, or formal chinos etc.); a formal dress (with shoulders covered, worn to just above, on, or below the knee); or a formal tailored skirt (worn just above, on, or below the knee). These should be in navy; black; or grey.
- This should be accompanied by: a collared and sleeved blouse; or a shirt and tie; or a formal polo-neck jumper.
- Formal tights must be worn with skirts or dresses.
- No lycra or bodycon.
- Formal v-neck pullovers are allowed, but these must be of a single colour and a collar/tie must be visible.
- Where ties are worn, these should be House ties, or those awarded by the School.
- Coats must be formal business wear (navy, black, or grey), or the official Rossall waterproof coat. We do not
  allow 'puffer' style coats or anything with branding which is not discreet. This may be accompanied by a
  navy, black, grey, or School scarf.
- Footwear is expected to be formal, flat and polishable.

## Hair/Facial Hair

- Hair should be kept neat and tidy, and kept away from the face.
- Hair styles and colour must be smart and purposeful, appropriate for a professional environment. At no point should a student's hair be shorter than a grade 2, therefore a skin fade is not acceptable. Equally, haircuts, such as a mullet, or one that presents an extreme contrast in length are not permitted.
- Students should be clean shaven.

If any individual has any questions regarding hair styles, they should consult with the Director of Sixth Form in advance of any changes.

### Jewellery/Make-up

- Members of the Sixth Form are permitted to wear discreet jewellery, for example a ring, necklace; or subtle earrings for girls. This should be in line with a professional environment.
- Members of the Sixth Form are permitted to wear subtle shades of nail varnish. Both length and colour of nails should be in line with that of a professional environment.

All members of the Sixth Form are required to wear uniform. The Director of Sixth Form will consider all written requests from students and parents for flexibility in the policy, on account of disability, gender reassignment, sex, injury, or on religious belief. This will be decided on a case by case basis, and the Director of Sixth Form may arrange a meeting with the parents to discuss the practicalities of any change.

Adjudication on uniform and appearance is at the discretion of the Director of Sixth Form. If you have any concerns about whether an item adheres to the Dress Code, please contact the Director of Sixth Form prior to purchase.

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