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# Gracemount High School

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Dear Parent/Carer,

## School Dress Code – August 2021

We are delighted to provide the online link that you can now use to purchase school branded uniform <https://www.border-embroideries.co.uk/schools/gracemount-high-school.html>

The school has purchased supplies and as an alternative to on-line purchasing these can be bought from the school office on 16 and 17 August.

A reminder that other uniform that is non-branded can be purchased from Asda, Marks and Spencer's and Sainsburys. All S1 pupils and S4 pupils will also be provided with a new school Tie in August.

Our focus is on ensuring we:

1. Reducing financial pressure on families
2. Promoting a sense of belonging and pride in the school
3. Promoting health and safety benefits of pupils being easily identifiable to their school.

## A reminder - What should constitute school dress from August 2021?

Please see below:

1. **Dress code should include at least one item that identifies a pupil to the school.** This would be a school shirt and tie (ties are provided to all students in S1 and again in S4) or a school branded hoodie, jumper or polo shirt.
2. **Hoodies** can be worn if they are plain black (no branding) or school branded. No other hoodies will be accepted.
3. **Plain Black jeans** –these are suitable for school. No ripped jeans will be permitted.
4. **Plain Black Leggings** – will be allowed if they are of an appropriate thickness.
5. **Black shoes** – whilst encouraged it was felt that the cost can sometime be an issue. The school would look to take a view that black shoes/trainers are strongly encouraged but not compulsory.
6. **Designer logos** – no designer logo clothing will be permitted. This includes clothing with small branding e.g. Nike, Fred Perry, Stone Island etc. Please do not send your child to school with any branded clothing.
7. **Plain black Tracksuits/jogging bottoms** – will be allowed. These should not be branded.
8. **Polo Shirts** – school branded polo shirt will be available as an alternative to shirt/tie.

9. **Senior school S5/6** – blazers will not be compulsory except for prefects. Pupils in S5/6 can choose to wear a blazer and all prefects will be given a prefect badge to wear along with their blazer.

### **Pupils who come to school without adhering to the dress code**

The school has a commitment to be as inclusive and supportive as possible. At the same time, it is important we are consistent and fair in our approach.

Pupils who come to school without the appropriate dress code will be offered a selection from the school. All selections available will have been appropriately cleaned and sanitised. If your child borrows an item you will receive a text home.

If a pupil refuses to accept the school wear parents/carers will be contacted by phone and when safe to do so, pupil will be asked to return home to dress for school. We would hope these matters would be very isolated.

### **Additional Support Needs and reasonable adjustments**

There are a small number of pupil where reasonable adjustments would be considered. Examples may include pupils with autism who may wear a hood. These would be discussed with individual families and form part of a child's support plan. If you feel your child would require this adjustment please contact your child's Pupil Support Leader as soon as possible.

Thank you for your support and understanding on this matter. I do hope this approach will help to make us an even better school where all our young people feel they belong and have a sense of pride in their school community.

Yours faithfully,

Ross Hunter  
Head Teacher

