



CHARTERHOUSE

Uniform and Dress Code
2023 - 2024



GENERAL INFORMATION ABOUT UNIFORM AND DRESS CODE FOR ALL PUPILS

DRESS CODE

On days when lessons ('hashes') are taking place, all pupils must wear full School uniform from when they leave their House in the morning until the end of timetabled lessons for that day. Shirts should always be tucked in and buttons done up!

School uniform is also specified for Chapel, weekday lunchtime meals and lectures and guest speaker events and some other formal occasions.

For concerts and plays pupils may be allowed to wear their own clothes. See notes below.

Pupils may wear coats over their jackets, but not instead of them. Pupils should wear either a plain navy blue, dark grey or black long cut formal overcoat or the School Navy Overcoat (available via our online partner, School Blazer) or the Charterhouse Long Cut Coat (available via our online partner, Premier Sports). Casual coats such as puffer jackets, parkas with fur-trimmed hoods or similar are not allowed during the School's formal business.

Shoes should be flat, black, clean, polishable and formal. Boots and leisure footwear are not acceptable.

Socks should be black, dark grey or navy. Tights should be black and at least 60-denier in thickness.

At other times, pupils may wear their own clothes, but these must not be scruffy, damaged or display slogans, branding or images that are inappropriate in the context of a tolerant and respectful community.

All clothing (both uniform and own clothes) must be named, smart, clean, in good repair, tidy and suitable for a school environment.

What is 'suitable' in a school environment will vary depending on context and these considerations apply to all pupils, irrespective of gender or gender identity.

There are certain polite conventions about dress that we do expect in School. For example, hats, hoods and other head coverings (except for religious or cultural reasons) should not be worn indoors; dress at a performance should be more formal than at brunch and if it is what you would wear at the beach, it is almost certainly a little too informal for School and especially a dining room!

Appearance

Hair must not be dyed or bleached so that it looks unnatural. It should be clean, neat, and worn in a smart, tidy and unostentatious style. Long hair should be tied back when in uniform/sports kit. Hair ties, headbands and similar items should reflect the main uniform colours of black, grey and navy.

The School recognises The Halo Code for those pupils of the African diaspora, including those with mixed heritage, who have afro textured hair. In line with this code the colour of wraps and headscarves should reflect the main uniform colours of black, grey and navy.

Pupils wearing head coverings or other additions to the uniform for religious or cultural reasons should reflect the main uniform colours of black, grey and navy.

Make-up should be kept to a minimum. Any make-up used should be natural and unostentatious.

Only clear or neutral nail polish may be worn.

All pupils should be clean shaven except where religious, cultural or medical reasons apply.

Jewellery should be discreet. Earrings — either sleeper studs or small gold or silver hoops — should be matching. Only one should be worn in each ear, and they should be worn only in the lobe. A watch may be worn and one plain ring. One thin silver or gold necklace and/ or bracelet is allowed, but other jewellery is not acceptable.

SCHOOL BAGS

The bag should be of a sober colour and should not demonstrate an extreme of style. It should be clearly labelled. Although many bags have a name-card holder, these are often vulnerable to wear and tear, so we recommend that a large nametape (of the kind used for duvets and towels) is either sewn onto the bag itself in a prominent position, or sewn in a loop around a handle.

Under School Bags

It is compulsory for pupils in the Under School to use a bag for carrying books, papers and equipment to and from hashes. The School does not specify the type of bag that pupils should use. Pupils might sometimes have to carry books or lever-arch files for three subjects in one journey, so when purchasing a bag, consideration should be given to its strength and capacity, as well as the age and size of the pupil.

Specialists Bags

We encourage all Specialists to have a school bag. Pupils might sometimes have to carry books or lever-arch files for three subjects in one journey, so when purchasing a bag, consideration should be given to its strength and capacity. There may also be occasions where you will have to leave your laptop/possessions outside so make sure your bag is durable and waterproof.

Household items

Pupils should bring the following items:

<i>Duvet and 2 duvet covers</i>	Tuck box (optional)
<i>Pillow and 2 pillowcases</i>	Toiletries/wash kit
2 Bath towels	Desk lamp (non-halogen)
3 large mesh laundry bags (one each for underwear, socks, bras)	Alarm clock
1 navy laundry bag	Torch
<i>Soft holdall with wheels (for bringing items into school)</i>	Stationery

ORDERING UNIFORM ONLINE

All school uniform and sports kit is supplied online. The main uniform from *School Blazer* and the sports kit from *Premier Sports*. Please use the following links for the two sites:

www.schoolblazer.com for all uniform

www.charterhouse.kitfor.co.uk for all core sports kit

Links to both these sites are also available on the School website at

<https://www.charterhouse.org.uk/parents/school-shop>.

Uniform lists for pupils can be found below. Our uniform is gender neutral and we are working with our suppliers to streamline the ordering process so that this is gender neutral too. Currently, uniform is allocated on a House basis. Please advise the supplier if you wish to select items from a different House and they will ensure you receive these.

MARKING/LABELLING

The marking of all clothes is **essential** and it is the responsibility of parents to ensure that every item of clothing belonging to their sons and daughters is clearly marked. Unmarked clothing which goes astray is unlikely to find its way back to its owner. Nametapes showing the owner's name, initials and House letter/s should be used and these can be ordered on-line, or via the School Shop. Our online partner suppliers School Blazer and Premier Sports both offer a labelling service.

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<i>Bodeites</i>	=	<i>B</i>	<i>Northbrook</i>	=	<i>N</i>
<i>Chetwynd</i>	=	<i>C</i>	<i>Pageites</i>	=	<i>P</i>
<i>Daviesites</i>	=	<i>D</i>	<i>Robinites</i>	=	<i>R</i>
<i>Fletcherites</i>	=	<i>F</i>	<i>Saunderites</i>	=	<i>S</i>
<i>Girdlestoneites</i>	=	<i>X</i>	<i>Sutton</i>	=	<i>Su</i>
<i>Gownboys</i>	=	<i>G</i>	<i>Verites</i>	=	<i>V</i>
<i>Hodgsonites</i>	=	<i>H</i>	<i>Weekites</i>	=	<i>W</i>
<i>Lockites</i>	=	<i>L</i>			

Alternatively, if ordering your own labels, we recommend using Woven Labels UK (T: +44 (0)870 7486774): www.wovenlabelsuk.com

Labels for clothing

- Choose **school labels** and select **woven sew-on name tapes**
- Select **black** text colour
- Select **Lettering style 1**
- Select **white** back ground colour
- Select **no motif**
- Quantity - we recommend 72 for those joining the Specialists. This allows for some additional nametapes to be given to the House team so that any items purchased during the Quarter can immediately be named. Please note that your son or daughter will be expected to sew these in themselves.

Larger labels (for household items and school bags)

For bags, towels, duvets and pillowcases please use 1 inch woven ID tags. Please sew these on the outside near the opening.

- Select **'1 Inch ID Tags'**
- Style (as above)
- Quantity - we recommend 20 large labels for all new pupils.

MENDING & CLEANING

Parents are requested to ensure that all clothes and shoes are in good repair at the start of each term. All uniform should be checked to ensure it still fits.

FAQS

The following FAQs have been compiled to help guide you through the process, understand some of the recent changes to our supply arrangements and answer some of the more commonly asked questions about how to purchase uniform.

Q. As I am ordering online, how do I know what is compulsory and what is optional and what can I purchase elsewhere if I want to?

Both online sites will make it clear which products are compulsory, but will also offer you the convenience of a one-stop shop for the majority of the non-compulsory uniform and sports kit.

Those items which are not exclusive to Charterhouse can be purchased from elsewhere if you prefer.

Q. Will the products I buy online be name labelled?

School Blazer can supply all uniform with sewn-in name tapes even if items need to be returned.

Premier Sports offer a name labelling service, but please note that all sports clothing that is labelled will be on a non-returnable/non-refundable basis due to the nature of the labelling process. This will be made clear on the website.

Q. What if I want to return any of my items?

Both suppliers will be happy to accept returns of any items that were originally purchased from them and providing they have not been worn.

Please note that all sports clothing from Premier Sports that are labeled will be on a non-returnable/non-refundable basis do to the nature of the labelling process. This will be made clear on their website.

Q. Will my items be personally tailored?

Neither we, nor our partners, are able to offer a tailoring service.

School Blazer offer a unique Intelligent Sizing tool and have a 91% first fit rate. If your uniform does not fit as it should, School Blazer offer a free returns service.

Q. What happens if items are out of stock?

In the unlikely event that either supplier is out of stock of any item, the product will be put on back order and shipped to you, at no extra cost, as soon as stock becomes available.

Q. How can I pay for my uniform?

Both sites accept all major credit cards. Please see individual sites for specific details.

SPECIALIST UNIFORM LIST

Below is a list of all the items you will need at Charterhouse.

- The items in **bold** must be purchased from School Blazer (uniform) and Premier Sports (sports kit).
- The School Dress Code is gender neutral; any prospective pupil wishing to wear items not typically associated with their allocated House is welcome to talk to their Head of House to discuss their personal choices. When ordering items not typically associated with their allocated House, please contact the School Blazer helpline.
- Items in *Italics* are not available to purchase through either the School Shop or our online partners.
- All other items can be purchased from the School Shop or our online partners (subject to availability).

SCHOOL UNIFORM	GENERAL CLOTHING
1 Charterhouse Specialist Full Suit 2 V-necked or round neck sweaters (charcoal/navy/grey) <i>7-8 pastel coloured formal tailored shirts (to be suitable for wearing a tie)</i> 1 House pin/tie 10 pairs of black socks and/or 60 plus denier black tights 2 pairs of black leather formal shoes Plain navy (via School Blazer), <i>dark grey or black</i> formal overcoat (longer than jacket) or Long Cut Coat (via Premier Sport)	<i>Dressing gown</i> <i>Slippers</i> <i>3 Nightwear</i> <i>8 Underwear</i> 8 pairs of socks <i>Casual wear (e.g. jeans, sweater, t-shirt)</i> Charterhouse School scarf or navy/black/dark grey scarf House umbrella Waterproof jacket Hat & gloves
SPORTS KIT	OPTIONAL SPORTS KIT (depending on chosen/played sport)
1 navy Charterhouse short-sleeve tee (All Pupils) 1 navy/white Charterhouse long-sleeve tee (All Pupils) 1 Charterhouse tracksuit (All Pupils) 3 pairs navy games socks (All Pupils)	<u>Cricket</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 1 Charterhouse cricket shirt (2/3 if in School team) - 1 Charterhouse cricket sweater / gilet - 1 Charterhouse cricket trousers - <i>Cricket boots</i> - <i>Cricket bat</i> - 2 pairs cricket socks - <i>2 athletic supports/support briefs</i>
1 navy leggings (Girls) 1 navy/pink Charterhouse games short-sleeved polo (Girls) 1 navy skort (Girls) 2 pairs white ankle socks (Girls)	<u>Tennis</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>Tennis racquet</i> - 1 summer white polo (Girls) - 1 pair of white shorts or skort (All Pupils)
1 navy/pink Charterhouse games long-sleeved tee (Boys) 1 white Charterhouse polo shirt (Boys) 2 navy shorts (Boys)	<u>Swimming</u> 1 navy swimming costume/jammers/swim shorts <u>Hockey</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Mouth guard - Hockey stick (OQ or LQ, depending on team) - Hockey shin pads
Charterhouse crested backpack (All Pupils)	<u>Football</u> <i>Football boots, shin pads, 1 x navy shorts</i>
<i>Sports bra</i> <i>Astro boots/trainers (for outdoor use)</i> <i>Gym shoes/trainers (non-marking)</i>	

UNDER SCHOOL UNIFORM LIST

Below is a list of all the items you will need at Charterhouse.

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- Items in *Italics* are not available to purchase through either the School Shop or our online partners.
- All other items can be purchased from the School Shop or our online partners (subject to availability).

SCHOOL UNIFORM	GENERAL CLOTHING
1 Charterhouse Under School jacket/blazer 1 or 2 Charterhouse Under School culottes or charcoal trousers 1 grey Charterhouse V-necked jumper 1 navy Charterhouse V-necked jumper 6-8 blue Charterhouse textured blouses or shirts 2 House ties 60 plus denier black tights or 10 pairs of black socks 2 pairs of black leather shoes Plain Navy (via School Blazer), dark grey or black formal overcoat (longer than the jacket) or Long Cut coat (via Premier Sport) School Bag / backpack (plain in colour)	<i>Dressing gown</i> <i>Slippers</i> <i>3 Nightwear</i> <i>8 Underwear</i> 10 pairs of socks <i>Casual wear (e.g. jeans, sweater, t-shirt)</i> Charterhouse School scarf or navy/black/dark grey scarf House umbrella Waterproof jacket Hat & gloves
SPORTS KIT	OPTIONAL SPORTS KIT (depending on chosen/played sport)
1 navy Charterhouse short-sleeve tee (All Pupils) 1 navy/white Charterhouse long-sleeve tee (All Pupils) 1 Charterhouse tracksuit (All Pupils) 3 pairs navy games socks (All Pupils)	<u>Cricket</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 1 Charterhouse cricket shirt (2/3 if in School team) - 1 Charterhouse cricket sweater / gilet - 1 Charterhouse cricket trousers - <i>Cricket boots</i> - <i>Cricket bat</i> - 2 pairs cricket socks - <i>2 athletic supports/support briefs</i>
1 navy leggings (Girls) 1 navy/pink Charterhouse games short-sleeved polo (Girls) 1 navy skort (Girls) 2 pairs white ankle socks (Girls)	<u>Tennis</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>Tennis racquet</i> - 1 summer white polo (Girls) - 1 pair of white shorts or skort (All Pupils)
1 navy/pink Charterhouse games long-sleeved tee (Boys) 1 white Charterhouse polo shirt (Boys) 2 navy shorts (Boys) Charterhouse crested backpack (all pupils) <i>Sports bra</i> <i>Astro boots/trainers (for outdoor use)</i> <i>Gym shoes/trainers (non-marking)</i>	<u>Swimming</u> 1 navy swimming costume/jammers/swim shorts <u>Hockey</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Mouth guard - Hockey stick (OQ or LQ, depending on team) Hockey shin pads <u>Football</u> <i>Football boots, shin pads, 1 x navy shorts</i>



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