Uniform and Equipment 2026

Policy statement

At Blackfen School for Girls we believe that the uniform should reflect the school motto 'Raising Aspirations, Releasing Potential', and should demonstrate visibly that our students are aiming for excellence in everything that they do. We expect the very high standards of dress for all students. Years 7-11 wear a uniform which is described in more details below, and the Sixth Form have a dress code of either a trouser or skirt suit.

In cases of financial difficulty, please contact the school either through the PA to the Headteacher, the Form Tutor, the Student Welfare Team, the Deputy Headteacher or the Headteacher for assistance or advice.

Please note that all school uniform items should be clearly marked with the owner's name.

Our school's uniform consists of:

- **Skirt** - Pleated (permanent pleated) navy skirt: knife pleat, stitched knife pleat, double kick pleated, box pleated, (Stain resistant recommended) and/or regular fit plain navy trousers. REQUIRED (refer to uniform images at end of the school's uniform policy on our school website).
- **Shirt** - White blouse/shirt. REQUIRED
- **Sweatshirt** - Regulation navy or red school V-neck sweatshirt with the Blackfen embroidered name. No other sweatshirt may be worn. OPTIONAL
- **Cardigan** - Regulation navy or red school cardigan with Blackfen embroidered name. No other cardigans may be worn. OPTIONAL
- **Blazer** – A regulation blazer with school badge and the student's community flash on the central pocket. REQUIRED
- **Socks/Tights** - Socks may be black or navy; alternatively, tights may be worn and should be navy, black, or a shade of own natural skin tone; **leggings of any colour may not be worn**; socks/tights must be worn with shoes. **NO WHITE SOCKS**.
- **Shoes** - Shoes should be: leather or leather-look; black, flat, plain and sensible i.e., not stilettos, no heels above 2 inches, nothing above the ankle bone and no large platforms; no form of Vans or Converse trainers are permitted, even if they are leather; trainers, boots, canvas style, leisure or backless shoes are not acceptable, (refer to uniform images – end of Uniform policy)
- **Outerwear** - Outerwear for all year groups should consist of a **plain black or navy** coat, jacket, raincoat, anorak/cagoule or duffle coat, large logos or brand names are not permitted and may be confiscated; denim, fur/ fake fur, leather/leather look or suede jackets are not allowed; hats, scarves, gloves are optional. Hijabs must be **plain black, red or navy.**
- **School bag** – Bags must be sturdy and large enough to comfortably hold A4 books. A backpack is strongly advised.
- **Hair decorations** - Hair decorations are optional and must be discreet. NOTE: in some subjects (e.g. Science, Technology etc) students will be expected to tie their hair back for safety reasons.
- **Nails and Eyelashes** – Nail extensions/nail varnish and eyelash extensions are **NOT** allowed under any circumstances to enable IT to be used effectively, writing equipment to be held correctly and for safety reasons in lessons (e.g. Technology, Science and PE).
- **Jewellery** – only **ONE** small pair of stud earrings allowed (see below for religious jewellery). A watch (no smart watches) may be worn and this is encouraged, to be able to get to lessons on time and use as a mathematical resource.
- **Religious Symbols** - One religious symbol may be worn discreetly e.g. religious symbol on necklace to reflect faith worn under blouse/shirt, religious bangle.
  ** Please note that with effect from 8th September 2026, a single small nose stud will be allowed if it is worn for documented religious or cultural traditions **
- **Sunglasses** - Sunglasses can only be worn outside when sunny. They should not be seen in school buildings.

Students are not permitted to roll up the sleeves on their blazer and/or roll up the waistband of their skirt.

Physical Education/Dance Kit (Basic Kit)

- (Macron Andromeda) Navy round neck sports t-shirt with school badge. REQUIRED
- (Macron Mesa) Navy Shorts. OPTIONAL
- (Macron) Navy Leggings. REQUIRED
- (Macron Nile) Navy Midlayer with school badge. OPTIONAL
- (Macron Kasai) Navy joggers OPTIONAL
- Navy Football Socks and white trainer socks.
- Trainers

Students must bring a note from home to explain if they are excused from PE for any reason. They must also still bring their PE Kit to school so that they can get changed and take part as an umpire, coach or organiser. Failure to bring a note or their PE kit will result in a sanction.

Uniform Policy Images:

Skirts:

- pleated (permanent pleated) navy skirt: knife pleat, stitched knife pleat, double kick pleated, box pleated, (Stain resistant recommended).



Knife Pleat



Stitched Knife Pleat



Double Kick Pleated (front & back)



Box Pleat

Uniform Policy Images:

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A selection of the type of school uniform accepted:













Where to purchase it

Uniform is available from **Caseys:**

246 Blackfen Road, Sidcup, Kent. DA15 8PW

Phone: 020 8850 8645 Website: www.caseysschoolwear.co.uk

Note: Blazer, Sweatshirt & Cardigan ONLY available from the school uniform shop

High street stores for shirts/blouses, skirts, socks

PE Uniform ONLY available from **Macron:**

95-97 Bellegrove Road, Welling, Kent, DA16 3PG

Ph. 020 8303 7793

www.macronlondonsoutheast.com/blackfen-school-for-girls-161-c.asp

Description in brackets

Note: leggings CANNOT be bought from high street stores, in order to maintain quality and thickness

Unwanted & Second-Hand Uniform

The school is very grateful to parents who donate their daughter's old school uniform. The school continues to keep a selection of donated school uniform for parents to purchase. Donations are voluntary, however, any money raised goes directly back into the school fund and used towards student activities over the academic year. Please email admin@blackfen.bexley.sch.uk with 'Uniform collection' in the heading for more information.

Other Matters

Financial difficulty – in cases of financial difficulty please contact the school either through the PA to the Headteacher, the Form Tutor, the Student Welfare Team, the Deputy Headteacher or the Headteacher for assistance or advice.

Money – All money is carried at the owner's risk. Students are advised to keep money on their person. Any large sums of money should be given into the office for safekeeping.

The school cannot accept responsibility for the loss of or damage to any item(s).

Items to bring to school everyday

- Reading book
- School Planner
- Pencil case containing:
    - Black or Navy Blue Pen (Biro or Fountain pen or similar) + spare
    - Pencil + spare (including a 2H pencil for art)
    - Eraser
    - Pencil Sharpener
    - Protractor
    - Ruler (30 cm ruler)
    - Pair of Compasses
    - Scientific Calculator - Casio
    - Black dry wipe pen
    - Coloured pencils (recommended good value art set: https://www.amazon.co.uk/Evolution-Original-Graphite-ECOlutions-colouring/dp/B01EQ0XJJS/ref=sr_1_25?dchild=1&keywords=colouring+pencils&qid=1594214384&sr=8-25)
    - Round topped/safety scissors
    - Glue stick
    - Highlighter(s)
    - Fine liner (For technology)