

Penrice Academy Uniform Policy

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Introduction

At Penrice, our high expectations are reflected in the pride we take in our school uniform and general appearance.

Our uniform gives students a feeling of belonging and creates equality and security for all which is why we expect students to wear the correct uniform when in or representing the school.

Parents/carers are advised to closely check this uniform policy, including the illustrations, to check that items they are purchasing are permitted.



Vision

To promote equality, unity, a sense of pride and self-worth through ensuring all students adhere to the School Uniform Policy.



Aims

- To create an environment conducive to learning
- To promote a high sense of pride and prepare students for the world of work
- To promote student focus and concentration
- To consistently maintain the highest of expectations

General Uniform

Black blazer with Penrice Academy logo



Blazers are to be worn when entering the school gates each day.

Black and gold jumper with Penrice logo



Optional item. To be worn under the blazer, not instead of the blazer.

White Long or Short-sleeved Shirt with Collar



Not fitted and must be able to be tucked in. Suitable for wearing with a tie.

Black and gold clip-on tie



Our Penrice black and gold tie is to be worn by all students.

Coats

- We advise all students to have an appropriate outdoor coat to bring to school during cold and/or wet weather.
- A hoodie does not constitute as an outdoor coat and will be confiscated if worn in school as it is not permitted.
- Coats are to be taken off immediately once students have entered a school building.

Black Uniform Pleated Formal Skirt



Must be at least knee-length

Formal, tailored black shorts



Must be at least knee-length

Trousers - Black, formal and tailored



No jeans, combat trousers, leggings/ stretch-type trousers, cropped trousers, drainpipes or skinnies. No decorative loops, logos, studs or additional buttons. Belts should be black and functional. All trousers should meet the shoe line.

Socks



Plain black only with no logos (not trainer style).

Black, formal, polishable shoes without logos of any kind





No trainers, canvas, sandals, boots or flip-flop style shoes. 'Vans' style skate shoes, or similar, are not permitted.

PE Uniform

Black and gold sports top with Penrice logo



Boys' and girls' versions are available (as shown above).

Penrice PE Shorts



Our Penrice PE shorts in gold and black are recommended, however generic plain black shorts are also acceptable.

1/4 Zip jumper with Penrice logo (optional)



Some students opt to wear our 1/4 zip jumper during PE lessons.

Black sports/games socks



Plain black sports/games socks can be purchased from our uniform suppliers. Generic plain black alternatives are also permitted.

Penrice Skort (Girls' PE)



Black and gold sports skorts can be worn by girls during PE. Alternatively, girls can wear plain black sports leggings. Wearing both options together is also acceptable.

Black and gold reversible rugby shirt (Boys' PE)



Made of tough fabric material to withstand use in contact sports.











Other Important PE Information for All Students

- Studded boots are required for outdoor rugby and football.
- Sports trainers are required for indoor PE lessons, court-based lessons, PE lessons on the astro turf and summer atheltics lessons on the field.
 - A plain black under armour type top is acceptable in poor weather conditions.
 - Shin pads and gumshields are advised in Football, Hockey and Rugby.
- No jewellery is to be worn during any PE lesson.
- You must bring your PE kit even if you are unable to participate, as you will be expected to take a non-active role in the lesson. Non-participants should bring a note with reason explaining non-participation.







Accessories

Jewellery

One watch can be worn*, but nothing else on the wrist. No rings or bracelets. No necklaces. No charity bands unless agreed by the school.

*Smart watches are not permitted.

Earrings & Other Piercings

One pair of small and discreet*, plain ear studs are permitted. They can be placed anywhere in the ear.

*Our guide is no larger than 5mm in diameter and for piercings to only be in the colour of silver or gold.

The Academy does not allow any facial or tongue piercings including plastic retainers. Students will not be allowed in school if they refuse to remove them. A plaster covering the piercing is not acceptable.

Where additional jewellery items are worn, students will be asked to remove these and items will be stored at Reception until the end of the day.

Make-up

Discreet make-up is permitted in the Academy and discretion is left with the Tutor, Head of Year and Leadership Team. False eyelashes are not permitted. No coloured nail varnish allowed, nor are false or acrylic nails.

Hairstyles

Should be neat, tidy and of an acceptable natural colour. Patterned, shaved or multi-coloured highlighted hair is not permitted in the Academy. If hair colour is used it should be of natural appearance and of one colour only.

Tramlines or extreme hairstyles of any kind are not acceptable. Hair accessories should be functional and discreet. If you are in doubt, please consult your child's Tutor or Head of Year before your child's hairstyle is changed.

Tattoos

It is illegal for children under 18 years to have a tattoo and so these will not be accepted at Penrice Academy under any circumstances.

Mobile Phones

Mobile phones are not permitted to be used at the school. If a mobile phone is brought into the school, it must be turned off and placed in the student's bag. If a phone is seen, used or heard, it will be confiscated.

LINKS TO RELEVANT POLICIES

Any student that does not meet the uniform and/or equipment standards will be sanctioned in accordance with the Behaviour Policy (please see our Behaviour Policy).

The school reserves the right to confiscate items that do not conform with this school policy (in accordance with DFE guidance – Search, screening and confiscation 2022).

Where to Buy?

Accredited Uniform Suppliers

Penrice Academy has two official uniform suppliers who are Cornwall Screenprint and Keywear.





Additional Support

We do have allocated funding available to support families in hardship to purchase new uniform items.

Please get in contact with Mrs Kirstin Hoooper for further assistance: khooper@penrice.org.uk.

Penrice Pre-Loved

Parents/carers can also buy pre-owned uniform via Penrice Pre-Loved. Penrice Pre-Loved is all about giving old uniform and school equipment a new home, re-using perfectly good items and reducing carbon footprint together.

Penrice Pre-Loved is available in the following locations:

- Our in-school Uniform Store (in the Medical Room).
- Online, via a Facebook Marketplace page.

The key difference between the Pre-Loved Uniform Store and the Facebook Marketplace page is that there will be no financial transactions in the Uniform Store.

The Uniform Store will only accept swapping items and donations/drop-offs*, whilst also providing free uniform support to those who need it.

*The Pre-Loved Uniform Store undoubtedly relies on the continued generosity of the Penrice community. Any donations will be gratefully accepted. Please ensure that uniform donations are cleaned and dry before drop off at the school gates.



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