

Melksham Oak Community School Uniform Requirements 2021-22

Here at Melksham Oak we consider our school uniform important for a number of reasons:

- It helps to create an inclusive school community
- It reinforces a sense of shared pride in our school
- It is smart and practical for our students to learn in

We will always take into account particular religious beliefs that impact uniform.

There is an expectation that the uniform will be worn with pride by all students. The following guidelines are in place:

ITEMS	REQUIREMENTS	ADDITIONAL GUIDANCE
White shirt	Collared, completely plain white, buttoned formal shirt, either long or short sleeved.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No polo shirts. • No branded shirts with logos. • Any vests or t-shirts worn underneath must be plain white and not seen.
School Jumper	Navy V-neck jumper with school logo. This should be worn in school at all times.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No cardigans, hoodies, sweatshirts or alternative jumpers must be worn instead of the school jumper. • Jumpers may be removed in hot weather as advised.
School Tie	Navy, yellow and black striped tie.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tie must be worn and tied in the conventional manner. • Clip on ties may be available on request to Sports Bug.
Trousers	Black, smart, standard school trousers.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Trousers should be formal in style (not tight fitting) and full length to below the ankle. • No jeans. Jeans are defined as a trouser cut often with external seams, externally stitched pockets and sometimes rivets; these will be prohibited. • No chinos or leggings allowed.
Skirt	As an alternative to trousers, a plain black knee-length skirt may be worn. Plain black or navy opaque tights must be worn with the skirt.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Skirts should sit on the waist and not be rolled up. • Skirts should be knee length and pleated (not straight or lycra). • Tights should not have rips or tears. • Socks should not be worn with tights.
Shoes	Flat, entirely black formal shoes, either leather or faux leather material. The shoes should have no embellishments on them.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No trainers (or shoes that closely resemble trainers), sandals, boots (including ankle boots), daps, platforms or canvas shoes will be allowed (such as 'Vans', 'Air Force Ones', 'Glorious Gangsta' type footwear).
Outerwear	Coats and jackets are permitted and advised in adverse weather conditions.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No hoodies will be allowed unless as part of a waterproof coat. • Coats and jackets must be removed in lessons.
Jewellery	No facial piercings.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Piercings are only permitted to be worn in the earlobe. • No 'Hex' piercings. • Maximum of one plain stud/small sleeper per ear. • Other jewellery must be discreet and safe. (Maximum of one ring per hand.) • All jewellery must be removed for PE and DT lessons where they pose a safety risk.
Hair style	Hair should be of a natural hair colour.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No extreme styles. • No shorter than a 'number 2'.
Make up		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Make-up must be discreet. • No nail-varnish or acrylic/fake nails.
Bags	All students need a bag for school.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It must be large enough to fit A4 books and folders.

Mobile Devices	We recommend that students do not bring mobile phones into school. We do not take any responsibility if a mobile phone is broken or stolen while in school. Mobile phones and headphones will be confiscated if they are seen, heard or used during the school day.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• These items must be stored in bags during the school day.• Headphones must not be worn beneath clothing and must also be stored in bags during lesson time.
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