

General Clothing/Equipment Information

Regulation clothing must be worn throughout the school day, up to 17:30 Monday to Friday and 12:25 on Saturday. School is a working environment in which clothing appropriate for the occasion should be worn.

The responsibility for the dress and appearance of students rests primarily with you. The School expects cooperation from both parents and students in maintaining an appearance that the School believes is conducive to carrying out its essential purposes.

Our intent is to help our students develop a sense of good judgement about clothing, making choices that are consistent with Quaker principles of modesty and simplicity. All students are expected to dress tidily, wearing clothing that is clean and in good condition. Teachers will use their judgement to determine whether articles of clothing, jewellery etc. are appropriate for the School environment and specific locations within it (e.g. workshops, games). High and/or sharp heeled shoes are not permitted.

The code aims to encourage appropriate clothing for the School work-place, to increasingly allow individual expression as a student progresses through the School and to promote awareness of our responsibility to the School community. We ask you as parents to make every effort to make sure that a student's clothing is modest and appropriate for school. Students may be sent home or back to their boarding house if, after warnings, they continue to arrive unsuitably dressed.

Please assist us by ensuring that your child comes to School fully equipped each term. ALL CLOTHING AND EQUIPMENT MUST BE NAMED. Providing a student with expensive or excessive possessions is unnecessary and unhelpful to all concerned. Please remember that articles acquired during the term must be named. The School's clothing lists and regulations are adapted from time to time but the latest information is available on the website.

All new students should bring the following essential items:

 Bags - sensible strong bag for books and A4 files and a strong sports bag (named) are essential - sports bag must have a padlock. No military style bags, please. Named bags are optional and are available from SchoolBlazer*.

- Padlocks day students require one padlock for common room locker preferably combination locks (with <u>at least 4 digits</u>) but with two spare keys if not. Boarders refer to packing list.
- Pencil case with basic stationery items, including geometry set.
- Scientific calculator (Casio fx-83GT or fx-85GT) can be purchased from the Maths Department if required.
- Pocket English Dictionary e.g. Oxford or Collins Pocket Dictionary and Pocket Thesaurus would also be useful.
- Storage files/plastic wallets are sometimes helpful for storing in students' lockers. They need to be big enough to hold the equivalent of an A4 textbook.

Please note that all text books and exercise books will be provided by school.

International Students

For international students whose first language is not English, a *Pocket Oxford Bi-lingual Dictionary* is useful; particularly for students joining Lower Seniors (Year 10) or College One (Year 12).

College Students

No kettles or music systems should be brought to the studies; iPods and personal music devices with headphones are acceptable.

Clothing Information for Boarders

Keep all clothing clean and in good repair. Choose styles appropriate for the occasion and please avoid expensive or designer label clothing and possessions.

We ask you to check that everything is in good repair at the outset of each term. The School offers limited facilities for minor repairs - major repairs cannot be undertaken. We reserve the right to have anything repaired, at your expense. Requests for alterations to clothing should be made to Phil Cockerill, Cleaning Team Leader, who will decide whether the request can be met.

Please remember that laundry is sent to a commercial laundry which disclaims responsibility for garments which should have been dry cleaned or which, according to their labels, require special laundering e.g. hand washing, machine washing at low temperatures, no tumble drying, etc.

* These items are only available <u>online</u> from SchoolBlazer. Please visit their website <u>www.schoolblazer.com</u> and follow the instructions to register and set up an online account.