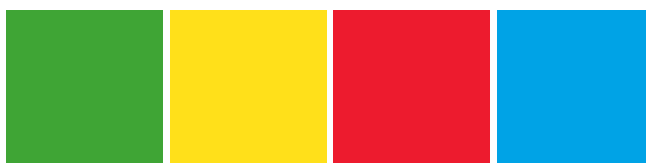




Downend School Uniform Booklet



Where can I buy
Downend School
uniform?

They are located at:

Unit 1

Simmonds View

Stoke Gifford

Bristol

BS34 8HR

Unit 4A

Badminton Centre,

Station Road,

Yate

BS37 5HT

Items indicated in this
brochure with the
Monkhouse logo



are available from
Monkhouse Schoolwear
Specialists who is our
sole uniform stockist.

Further details of prices, ordering
and opening hours can be found
on their website:

www.monkhouse.com

If purchasing some items from alternative suppliers, please ensure you follow the guidance in this brochure. Many suppliers label items as 'school wear' but are not acceptable at Downend School.

If you are in any doubt about whether an item of uniform is suitable please check with your child's tutor or Head of House before purchasing.

You can also email any uniform queries or questions to the Student Support Centre at dow-studentsupportcentre@cset.co.uk

Thank you for supporting your child in maintaining the highest standard of school uniform.

Please note that during periods of extreme weather or in exceptional circumstances the school may make reasonable adjustments to uniform requirements. You will be notified in advance of any changes.

High Expectations

The vast majority of our students wear our uniform with pride. If a student arrives at school wearing incorrect uniform, we may contact parents to bring in the correct item.

Any student who is not wearing the correct uniform for any reason must report to their House office or tutor on arrival at school in the morning.

We will try and offer a uniform solution from our own limited stock of new and donated items. Students refusing this option may receive a sanction.

A student may be sent home to change their uniform (this will be discussed with parents/carers).

Students may be isolated in school (including social times) for refusing to correct/change their uniform.

A non-uniform card may be deemed appropriate depending on the uniform issue and reason. This will be valid for one day only and needs to be shown to all staff on demand on request. Staff will not negotiate with students. Correct uniform must be worn. The decision by staff is final.

Persistent refusal to wear the correct uniform in the correct way will result in an escalation of sanctions which may include them being suspended from school.

Students must wear their uniform correctly

Shirts must be tucked in.

Skirts must be worn correctly, this should be just above the knee in length and not rolled at the waist.

Ties must be the correct length, tightened to the top button and show the school logo.

High Expectations

Please ensure that all items of uniform are clearly marked with the student's name and tutor group.

All students are expected to wear the school uniform with PRIDE.

Uniform - Hair, Jewellery, Nails and Make-up

- Any student with a nose piercing is only permitted to wear a small clear stud.
- Jewellery must be kept to a minimum, any earrings must be small (large hoops or 'dangly' earrings are not permitted).
- Any nail polish if worn must be clear or of a neutral shade.
- Students will be asked to remove any coloured nail polish.
- Artificial nails are not permitted.
- Hair must be of a natural colour with no extreme styles. No ornaments such as flowers, bows, braids or elaborate hair/head bands should be worn (unless for cultural reasons).
- Discreet personal make-up will be allowed, appropriate for a work environment. Students will be asked to remove any make-up identified as unacceptable, this includes false eyelashes, eyelash-extensions, glitter etc. Staff will ask students to remove make-up that they consider inappropriate.

Uniform - Outerwear

- A plain weatherproof coat or jacket may be worn to and from school, during break/lunch time and between lessons. Coats and jackets made of leather, jersey or denim are not acceptable.
- Hats and scarves may also be worn during periods of cold weather but extreme styles will not be permitted. Hats must be removed indoors.
- Any logo must be discreet and of the same or similar colour as the item of clothing. Excessively branded items are not permitted.
- Hoodies, gilets and sports tops are not to be worn in school and will be confiscated. Students can collect confiscated items from the student support centre at the end of the school day. Any student who persistently wears these items will have it confiscated for an extended period of time and a parent/carer will be contacted to collect it.
- Any item of outerwear worn should not be in place of a school jumper or blazer.

The Halo Code

Our school champions the right of staff and students to embrace all Afro-hairstyles. We acknowledge that Afro-textured hair is an important part of our Black staff and students' racial, ethnic, cultural, and religious identities, and requires specific styling for hair health and maintenance.

We welcome Afro-textured hair worn in all styles including, but not limited to, afros, locs, twists, braids, cornrows, fades, hair straightened through the application of heat or chemicals, weaves, wigs, headscarves, and wraps.

At Downend school, we recognise and celebrate our staff and students' identities. We are a community built on an ethos of equality and respect where hair texture and style have no bearing on anyone's ability to succeed.



School Uniform Items



Navy blue blazer or jumper embroidered with the Downend School logo on the left breast pocket.

House tie. Clip on or standard house tie (while stocks last).



A white shirt which buttons at the neck (this can be long or short sleeved).



Monkhouse offer two styles of approved grey skirt. The designer pleated skirt and the designer straight skirt. If purchasing elsewhere please ensure the skirt is -tailored and is in the correct fabric with a zip fastening. Tight fitting skirts or skirts made from stretchy/jersey material are not permitted.

Socks/tights - Grey or black ankle socks to be worn with trousers. Grey or black tights to be worn with skirts. Visible Socks must be black and fluffy, socks of any colour are not permitted.



Grey trousers in a tailored straight legged style. Tight fitting/skinny trousers, jeggings, items made from stretchy/jersey material or jeans style are not permitted.

Optional Items:

A plain belt may be worn with a discreet buckle or clasp.

A hijab turban if worn should be white, black, dark blue or grey in colour.

Items that reflect cultural or religious beliefs are permitted.

Compulsory PE Items



Short sleeve shirt embroidered on the left breast with the school logo.



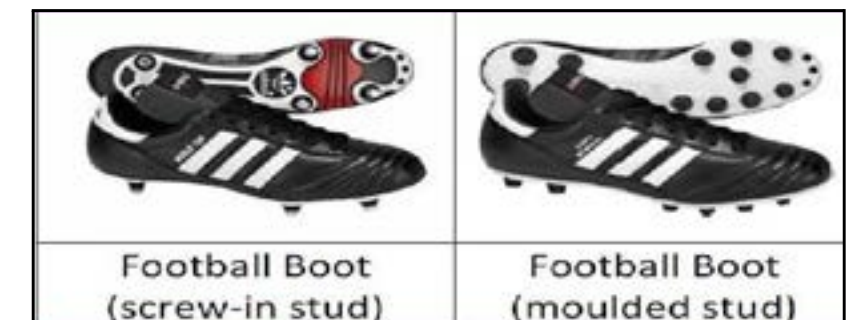
Navy blue shadow stripe plain football shorts.



Knee length navy blue sports socks.



Trainers.



Studded football boots (no blades).

Optional PE Items

Long sleeve football style top – embroidered on the left breast with the school logo.

¼ zip Downend training top.

Navy blue plain track pants.

Navy Monkhouse leggings (please note ONLY these leggings are permitted no other brand allowed).

Baselayer.

Additional Guidance for School Trousers and Skirts

The following items are indicative of the type of trousers that do not meet our uniform requirements.

This information is provided to help parents/carers identify and select suitable trousers for school.

Trends and fashions change quickly therefore *all unacceptable items will not be displayed*. Please read the guidance in this brochure to help you purchase the correct school trousers and/or skirt. Trousers that are tight fitting, stretchy/jersey material, chinos, cargos, wide legged/baggy, denim, leggings/jeggings, designed for fashion e.g. have visible buckles, buttons and zips, jeans, cords or bootleg/hipster styles are not permitted. This list is not exhaustive.

Trousers must be ankle length and loose around the ankle area.

Examples of Unacceptable Styles of Trousers



Acceptable Footwear

Students must wear either black leather or black leather-look shoes.

The shoe must be completely made of a material that can be polished.

Footwear must be in plain black including the sole with no coloured logos, branding, brightly coloured stitching, silver tags or other fashion style features. They can include laces, velcro fastenings or be a slip-on style.

Sandals, canvas material, sports trainers or heeled shoes are not permitted. Boots, if worn, must be no longer than ankle length and fulfil the same criteria above as shoes.

Examples of acceptable footwear



Examples of unacceptable footwear



Skirts that are tight fitting, stretchy/jersey material, denim, designed for fashion, have visible buckles, buttons and zips are not permitted.

This list is not exhaustive. Skirts should be worn just above the knee and must not be rolled at the waist.

Examples of Unacceptable Styles of Skirts



Skater Style



Tube Skirt



Large Split Skirt

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Examples of Acceptable Styles of Shorts



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