# **Watford Grammar School for Girls: Uniform**

# Years 7-11: Essentials

- Navy blue traditional blazer with school badge on breast pocket. The badge is compulsory. (Separate blazer badges for sewing onto blazers can be purchased from the school shop)
- Gold fitted open neck blouse, with or without school crest. (Not PE or T shirt).
- A skirt or trousers:
- The skirt should be smart, dark navy blue pleated and knee length with a school crest (either integral to the skirt or sewn on)
- o Trousers should be straight-legged, hemmed and end at the ankle. Jeans style, denim, corduroy trousers, legging or trousers which are tight on the leg, are not permitted.
- Tights (if worn): Natural, navy blue or black. No patterns
- Socks (if worn): Plain white, navy blue or black. No higher than ankle.
- Shoes: School shoes should be black or navy leather/leather-look, flat or have a low heel and logo-free. The style should be traditional, fully fitted to the foot which is suitable and safe for a busy working environment. Specific styles that are not permitted include: •Styles that appear to be more like sports trainers than professional black shoes. •Boots or ankle boots. •Suede shoes. •Styles that have more than one Velcro fastening. •Styles with obvious logos or branding. •Elaborate buckles or decorations or patterns.
- Only school approved badges may be worn.
- Jewellery is not allowed, except one pair of unobtrusive earrings, studs or sleepers per ear. Nose studs, and other facial and body piercings, are not permitted.
- An item of religious significance may be worn discreetly and safely.
- Make-up / Nail Varnish is not permitted in Year 7 to 11. Discrete only in the Sixth Form. False nails are not permitted in any year group.
- Hair should be of a natural hair colour only.
- Head coverings should be plain navy blue or black only.

#### Year 7 – 11: Optional extras

• WGGS branded knitted navy blue V-neck jumper.

#### Year 7 – 11: Essential PE Kit

- WGGS branded yellow/blue polo top
- WGGS branded blue shorts
- WGGS branded hoodie or track jacket
- Navy blue/black swimming costume (including full length)
- Sports trainers
- Navy blue football socks
- Football boots
- Mouthguard
- Shin pads

# Year 7 – 11: Optional extras PE Kit

- WGGS branded jogging bottoms
- WGGS branded leggings
- WGGS branded blue skort

#### Sixth form

#### Sixth Form: Essentials

- Black suit, consisting of
  - short or mid-length jacket. Must be worn on official occasions e.g., assembly.
  - black tailored skirt
  - or trousers which are straight-legged and hemmed. Jeans style, leggings, denim, corduroy trousers, or trousers which are tight on the leg, are not permitted.
- White, fitted open neck blouse, preferably with school crest.
- Tights (if worn): Natural or black. No patterns
- Socks (if worn): Plain white or black. No higher than ankle.
- Shoes: School shoes should be black or navy leather/leather-look, flat or have a low heel and logo-free. The style should be traditional, fully fitted to the foot which is suitable and safe for a busy working environment. Specific styles that are not permitted include:
- •Styles that appear to be more like sports trainers than professional black shoes. •Boots or ankle boots. •Suede shoes. •Styles that have more than one Velcro fastening. •Styles with obvious logos or branding. •Elaborate buckles or decorations or patterns.
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- Make-up / Nail Varnish must be discreet. False nails are not permitted in any year group.
- Hair should be of a natural hair colour only.
- Head coverings should be plain navy blue or black only.

#### Sixth Form: Optional Extras

• A black knitted jumper that can worn under the jacket, preferably with the school crest, however it must not have writing or logos and no hooded tops permitted.

# Sixth Form: PE Kit

- Black round neck T-shirt.
- Black plain hoodie (students may use their old WGGS PE hoodie if they wish). No other jumpers will be allowed in PE lessons.
- Plain black sports leggings or tracksuit bottoms (these may have a small logo on, but no stripes). These cannot be fashion leggings. **Or** black sports shorts (these need to be loose fitting shorts and not cycle shorts or hot pant style)
- White socks
- Trainers

#### **Expectations of wearing PE Kit for all**

Students must wear clean, correct PE kit for every lesson **even if they are ill or injured** so they can still take an active part in the lesson. This will enable students to fully partake in the activity when they return to full health, it prevents their school uniform from getting damaged whilst standing on muddy pitches and in cases of illness it prevents conditions from worsening as students still have their dry uniform to get changed into if it is raining during the lesson. There are occasions when this would not be possible and this is at the schools discretion i.e. severe injury or illness but **as physical education is compulsory in school only in exceptional circumstances will alternative arrangements be made for students when they are 'off games'.** Otherwise they will remain with their teaching groups and participate in the role of coach or official for the activity. Should a student be 'off games' they should come to their lesson in their PE kit as normal but also wear a school PE hoody/waterproof jacket and/or tracksuit bottoms.

Should a student not have their PE kit for lesson, even if they are not participating in practical activities they will be issued with a kit mark. Should a student receive 3 kit marks they will also be placed in lunchtime detention.

Following a student's lunchtime detention every subsequent detention will be an after-school detention.

# **Adjustments for Religious Reasons:**

PE Kit: Students who are unable to wear shorts or t-shirts for religious will be allowed to wear tracksuit bottoms or hoodie/ track jacket over their normal PE kit, or they may wish to purchase the school leggings and base layers which can be worn under shorts and t-shirts to provide full coverage.

For swimming appropriate adaptations can be made in discussion with the subject teacher. Students may wish to purchase an appropriate religious swimming costume.

Headscarves: Where worn these should be tight and secured in a safe manner, particularly at the side of the face, and unlikely to obscure vision or catch on anything that may put the wearer or other students at risk. Students can also consider obtaining a sports version of the hijab, for improved suitability. (AfPE 2016)

# Jewellery and personal effects including religious adornments.

Jewellery and personal effects are not allowed under any circumstances and must be removed for all lessons. Students who have newly pierced ears must cover them with tape for the first 6 weeks, and then they must then be removed. It is the students responsibility to provide tape, if they do not they will be asked to remove the earrings. The PE Department will not be responsible for any injuries caused during these six weeks. Refusal to do so will be dealt with in accordance with the schools behaviour policy.

Longer hair must be tied back to ensure that it does not obstruct the vision of the student. Students must provide their own hair bands and clips for this.

Should students require the use of an inhaler or carry an EpiPen they must have it on their person
for the lesson.