



School Uniform

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Cotham School students are expected to wear full school uniform at all times. Our uniform includes our school lanyard and Yondr pouch both of which are provided by the school.

We also have a PE and Dance uniform and it is important that students wear that uniform during those lessons.

School rules will be enforced according to the Uniform Policy (see website for details).

We sell second hand uniform from our Main Visitors Reception on Cotham Lawn Road for £1.00 per item.

This powerpoint contains visual images of acceptable / unacceptable examples of uniform items.



Uniform Suppliers

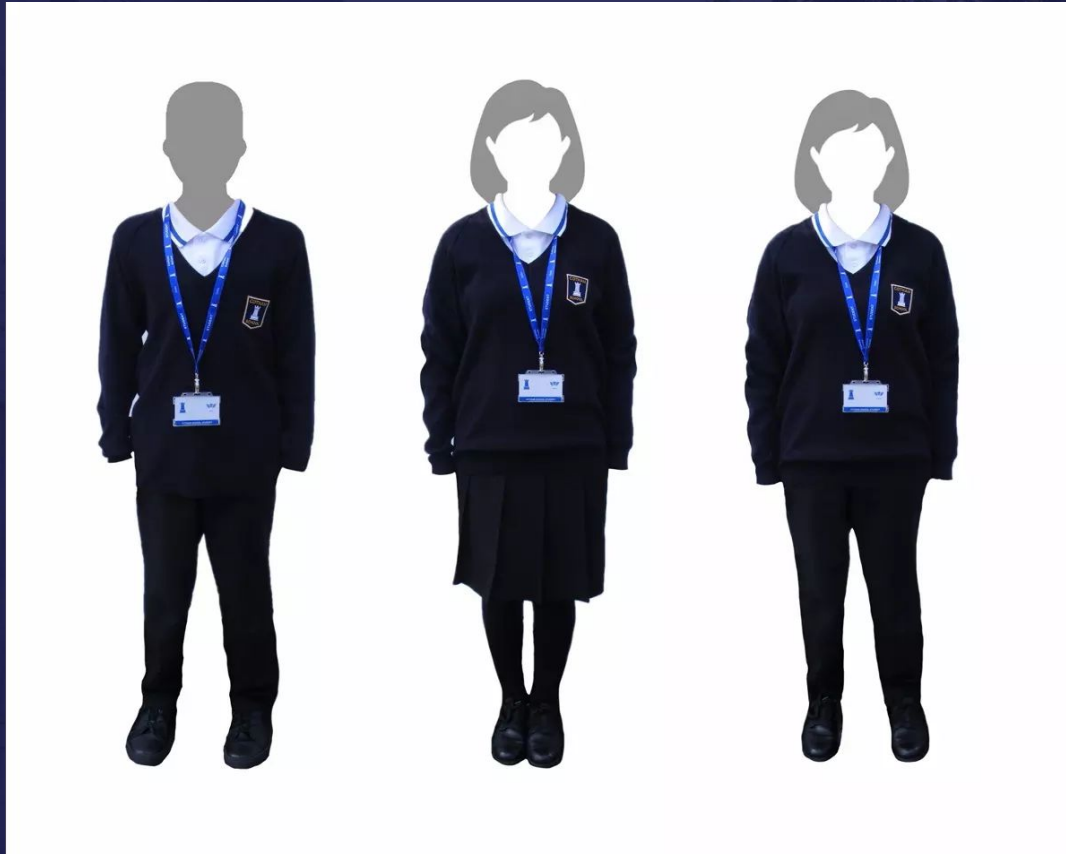
Branded and non-branded uniform -

<https://www.monkhouse.com/> or visit their store in Bedminster

Trousers - [Asda](#), [Sainsbury's](#), [Amazon](#), [Next](#), [John Lewis](#) and [Marks & Spencer](#)

Shorts - [Marks & Spencer](#), [Asda](#), [Sainsbury's](#), [Amazon](#), [Price & Buckland](#)





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Equipment

Every day students must bring:

- A reading book
- Their planner (Year 7 and Year 8 students only)
- A pencil case and the following
- Pens, pencil, eraser, small ruler, calculator, sharpener, green pen, highlighter, and some coloured pencils
- Clear pencil cases are required for all examinations

We ask parents and carers to support their child in purchasing this and checking with their child that they still have theirs and that it's packed in their school bag every evening / morning.



Lanyards/ student ID Cards

Student Lanyards/ student ID Cards worn correctly are an important part of our safeguarding procedures at Cotham.

- Students will be provided lanyards by the school and these should be worn around the neck on the outermost layer of clothing at all times.
- If lanyards are lost students will have to pay for a replacement.
- Students entitled to Free School Meals will receive 1 free replacement per academic year as required.



Mobile phones / Yondr pouch

- Student phones will need to be switched off and locked in a Yondr pouch during the school day.
- Any student not meeting this expectation will have their phone confiscated by a member of staff.
- Confiscated phones will be kept securely at the Visitors' Reception and can only be collected at the end of the following day.
- Headphones/ AirPods are not permitted and will be confiscated.



Jumpers

- Navy blue V neck jumper with embroidered Cotham logo only.
- Hoodies or tracksuit-style tops must not be worn in school at all.
- Students must not wear hoodies or tracksuit-style tops as either a substitute for a jumper or an outdoor coat.
- Our round neck black PE jumper should not be worn in place of the V neck jumper.



Polo shirt

- White polo shirts with house colour trim on collar and embroidered Cotham logo. The Cotham logo appears on the left-hand side.
- All base layers must be discreet and should not be visible.



Trousers

- Tailored, loose, full length, black trousers, with no external raised seams, pockets or rivets, no logos or brands, not jean or tracksuit-style.
- No leggings or tight fashion trousers.
- Trousers may not be rolled up at the bottom or worn low below the hips / be worn with jogging bottoms underneath.



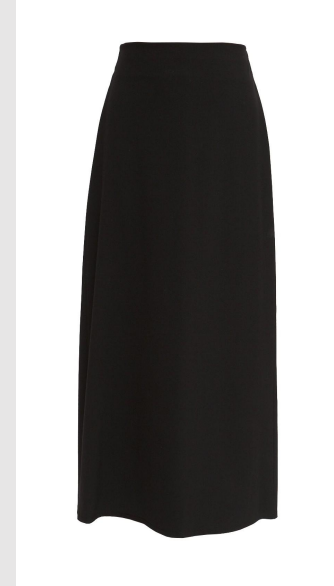
Shorts

- Regulation black, knee-length school shorts with Cotham School logo
- Non Cotham logo, regulation black, knee-length shorts with zip and button fastening



Skirts

- Regulation black, knee-length or longer, fully pleated or with a pleat feature school uniform skirts (no stretchy material, logos or brands).
- Monkhouse sell the Banner Design Pleated Skirt available in three lengths of 18 inches, 20 inches and 22 inches. Parents/ carers should purchase the length that will allow the skirt to end on or below the knee. For most students, this will be either 20 or 22 inches.



Footwear: Black leather type shoes

We do not allow Crocs, boots, shoes with a raised heel, 'dolly'/ballet type shoes.

- Uniform shoes must fasten securely with laces or a strap and the foot must be fully enclosed.
- Uniform shoes must be worn throughout the day – changing into trainers during break or lunchtime is not permitted unless it is to use the All Weather Pitch or Multi Use Games Area or field.



Footwear

Trainer style shoes are acceptable but they must

- Be made primarily of black leather or black leather type material.
- Not have large white or coloured sports logos on them. A black logo is acceptable; a very small white or coloured logo is acceptable.
- Be low rise trainer-style shoes (not high-top trainer-style shoes).



Socks and Tights

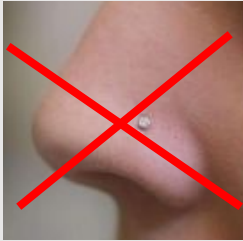
- Tights must be black or navy blue and in good condition with no visible tears, ladders or holes.
- Socks must be ankle socks or below the knee in black, navy or white and must be plain (no patterns).



Jewellery

- One small ring only
- One small pair of stud earrings (worn one in each ear lobe) only (no hoops or sleeper hoops).
- No bangles, necklaces, nose studs or facial piercings.
- All jewellery to be removed for PE and Dance (this is compulsory).

Jewellery outside of this description will be confiscated should students wear it to school.



Headwear

- Headscarves worn for religious or cultural reasons should be plain navy blue, black or white and must not cover the face.
- No baseball caps under any circumstances. Plain woollen hats only to be worn during the winter period outside (not in school buildings).
- Plain black beanie caps (either woollen or satin material) with no flaps or ties at the back, may be worn outside only to protect hair from the elements.
- Snoods must not be worn during the school day.



Facemasks

- Students must not use other items as a face mask e.g. balaclavas or snoods. Items like these will be confiscated from students.



Makeup

- Make-up, if worn, must be subtle and natural in shade.
- Coloured nail varnish or false nails are not permitted.
- False eyelashes are not permitted and students will be asked to remove them should they arrive at school with them.



Hair

- Hair that falls in front of a student's face must be tied back for practical subjects such as PE, DT and Dance as well as practical extra curricular activities.



Coats

- Coats without intrusive logos or brands.
- Coat hoods may only be worn outside when it is raining heavily.
- Coat hoods must never be worn inside school buildings.
- Coats must only be worn on top of a school jumper and not in place of a school jumper.
- Hoodies or tracksuit-style tops are not a replacement for an outdoor coat and are not allowed in school.



Bags

- Students need a substantial and waterproof school bag big enough to contain PE/Dance kit, exercise books, text books, a pencil case, planner, reading book and other equipment.
- Small string bags, handbags and fashion bags are not permitted.



PE Kit

Cotham PE top



Black PE sweatshirt
(optional)



Black sports
joggers



Lycra black sports
leggings

must not be see-through



Lycra black sport shorts



Black sports skirt



Loose fitting black shorts



PE Kit does not include:

- Hot pant style shorts
- Jewellery of any kind (all jewellery that is permitted as part of the school uniform policy must be removed without exception)
- False nails
- Cotton leggings which are see-through
- Heavily-branded sportswear



PE Kit does not include (continued):

Accidents and injuries could occur if these expectations are not met:

Risk Area	Jewellery	Long/False Nails
Personal Injury	Cuts, tears, bruises	Breakage, bleeding, pain
Injury to Others	Scratches, entanglement, eye risk	Scratches, eye injury
Equipment Safety	Can get caught or damage items	May interfere with use of equipment

- Failure to follow these expectations will result in not being able to take part in the PE lesson and receiving an ASD.
- These expectations are in place for students' safety and enjoyment of PE at Cotham School. Thank you for your support.



Dance Kit

- In addition students will require the black Cotham Dance T-shirt for Dance lessons.



For students with additional needs who may need an adaptation to our Uniform Policy, please speak to your child's Learning Coordinator.

