

11th July 2019

Dear Parent/Carer,

It is with great pride that I can announce that the final arrangements for the phased introduction of the new school uniform have been completed and will be as follows:

From September 2019

- New uniform will be **compulsory** for pupils in years **7, 10** and **12**.
- The wearing of the new uniform will be **optional** for pupils in years **8, 9, 11** and **13**. During this transitional year it will be perfectly acceptable for pupils in these year groups to continue to wear the existing uniform.

From September 2020

- It will be compulsory for ALL pupils to wear the new uniform.

Details of the new uniform can be found by visiting the school website at <http://www.denbighhighschool.co.uk> where colour photographs illustrate the uniform itself along with the changed PE uniform.

In outline, the new uniform will consist of:

School Uniform	Description	Price (from)
Blazer	Dark grey blazer embroidered with Denbigh High School crest	£31.99
Jumper	(Optional) Grey V neck jumper with Denbigh High School crest	£18.99
Tie	Maroon/sky blue/white striped school tie (Y7-11) Sky blue with maroon/white stripe (Y12-13)	£ 5.99
Skirt	Grey tartan skirt	£20.99
Trousers	Grey school trousers regular/slim leg (not skinny)	£13.99- £21.99
Shorts	(Optional) tailored dark grey school shorts - Summer Term Only	
Shirt/blouse	Sky blue, long or short sleeved (Y7-11) White, long or short sleeved (Y12-13)	£19.99 (2 pk)
Shoes	Black leather or leather imitation (no black trainers or trainer/canvas style shoes allowed)	
Socks/Tights	Black or dark grey (not white)	

PE Uniform	Description	Price (from)
T-shirt	Navy/sky blue P.E. t-shirt with Denbigh High School crest	£12.99
Sweatshirt	Navy P.E. sweatshirt with Denbigh High School crest	£12.99
Shorts	Navy P.E. shorts with Denbigh High School crest	£ 8.99
Socks	Navy/sky blue P.E. socks with Denbigh High School crest	£ 5.50
Leggings	(Optional) Navy/sky blue PE leggings personalised to Denbigh High School	£15.99
Training pants	(Optional) Navy/sky blue training pants personalised to Denbigh High School	£19.99

Suppliers of the Uniform

Whilst we have contacted four local uniform suppliers, the only supplier currently stocking the bespoke items (blazer, jumper, skirt and P.E. kit) is School Shop Direct (Threads, Denbigh or online). All uniform items are available from this supplier but you are also able to purchase the shirts/blouses, trousers and shorts from a range of High Street shops and Supermarkets, providing they match our colour specifications.

Additional Aspects to the Uniform Rules

Please can I draw your attention to the following additional requirements to the uniform code:

- Fashion accessories such as fancy belts, chains, scarves and hair accessories are not permitted.
- Make-up is not permitted for pupils in years 7-9. A light foundation and mascara is permitted for pupils in years 10-13.
- Natural hair colour only (no extreme styles are allowed).
- Jewellery must not be worn in school for reasons of safety and security; however, one pair of small studs in the ears are permitted.
- Facial piercing with jewellery is not permitted.
- For safety and hygiene reasons nails should not extend beyond the fingertip. Nail varnish with a neutral/natural shading will be permissible.

Important – the deliberate refusal to comply with these rules will be considered an act of defiance and will be dealt with according to the school’s Wellbeing and Inclusion Policy.

Essential Equipment

In order to be prepared for learning, all pupils will be expected to arrive in school with essential equipment to enable them to participate fully in lessons:

- Pencil case containing different coloured pens, pencil, ruler, eraser, pencil sharpener and protractor.
- Calculator.
- Coloured pencils.
- Glue stick.

Financial Support for the New Uniform

We have been working closely with the Citizen’s Advice Bureau (CAB) to secure financial support for parents to help with the phasing in of the new uniform. Grants will be available via the CAB in Denbigh. The grants are means tested and we would encourage all parents who think they may be eligible for a grant to contact the CAB for further details.

In addition, the Welsh Government offers financial support via the Pupil Development Grant. In the secondary sector, pupils entering year 7 and year 10 may qualify for grant aid. In year 10 the grant is up to £125.00 per pupil to help fund school uniform, equipment, sports kit and kit for activities outside of school. For year 7 pupils the grant is £200.00, recognising the increased costs associated with starting secondary school. For further details please visit the Welsh Government website at <https://www.gov.wales/pupil-development-grant-access>

Should you require clarification of any of the points outlined in this letter please do not hesitate to make contact with me, either by phone or email.

I am looking forward to the new stage in the continued development of Denbigh High School which commences in September with the phased introduction of the new uniform, and I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your support in helping to manage this transition.

Yours faithfully,



Dr. R. P. Evans
Headteacher