Langley Park School for Girls



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Dear Families,

Re: Consultation on school uniform

We have been in discussions with governors since Spring 2025 regarding the cost and proposed changes to our school uniform.

We are now launching a consultation with students, parents and carers, in light of recent proposals from the UK Government concerning school uniforms. We want to ensure that any changes we make are fair, affordable, and in the best interests of our students and families — your views are vital in this process.

What are the planned national changes to school uniforms being introduced by the UK government?

The Government is bringing forward the Children's Wellbeing and Schools Bill, which includes new measures that directly affect school uniform policies. Some of the relevant proposals are:

- Schools will be legally limited in the number of branded items they can require parents/carers to
 purchase. Under the proposals, the cap would be **three branded items** plus a branded tie (where
 worn) for secondary schools.
- The aim is to help reduce the cost burden on families.
- The proposals cover uniforms, PE kits, bags, and any clothing required for school or school-facilitated clubs, activities or events.

What does this mean for Langley Park School for Girls?

It is expected that the planned changes will result in changes to school uniform policies from September 2026 and that schools will have to inform uniform suppliers and families of any changes in advance of this.

We want to:

- Ensure our uniform policy is reasonable, fair and complies with the relevant legislation
- Manage costs so that parents/carers are not required to purchase more than necessary, or from suppliers they cannot access easily
- Gather feedback from everyone who will be affected parents/carers, students and staff so that policy adjustments reflect your experience and views















Our current uniform policy is published on the school website and is summarised below:

Branded (or school specific items)	Unbranded items
Skirt or trousers	
- navy check knife pleat skirt	Blouse – white cotton, open neck with lapels
- regulation school navy trousers with school crest	
Blazer – badged and piped school blazer (Years 7-9)	Tights – plain navy tights
	Socks – navy knee length or navy short socks
Jumper (optional) – Navy V necked with trim	Shoes – black school shoes without heels
Cardigan – LPGS cardigan (Years 10-11 only)	Outdoor coat – plain navy/black outdoor coat
	Bag – a durable rucksack of any colour
	Jewellery:
	A simple watch (not smart)
	1 pair of small stud earrings
PE kit	
LPGS polo shirt - with logo	Navy core shorts
	(mid-thigh length cycle shorts)
Navy Skort – with logo	Black sports leggings
Hockey socks - navy and white	Majority white trainers
	 not black or bright coloured
Tracksuit top (optional) - navy with school badge	White sports socks
Tracksuit bottoms (optional) - navy	Shin pads (compulsory for Y7-9)
Sports holdall (optional)	Gum shields (compulsory for Y7-9)
Long sleeve base layer (optional)	

We are proposing introducing the following changes to our school uniform from September 2026 and invite your feedback on school uniform via our consultation survey. Please <u>click here</u> to access the survey.

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Skirt or trousers - navy check knife pleat skirt - regulation school navy trousers with school crest Blazer – badged school blazer (Years 7-9) LPGS cardigan - (Years 10-11) LPGS polo shirt	All other items of required uniform or kit would be unbranded although we would still expect there to be the option for families to purchase additional optional items of school sportswear from our uniform suppliers.



We are asking:

- Which items you believe should be branded or unbranded
- Your thoughts on affordability of current uniform requirements
- Your thoughts on our current uniform suppliers
- Your feedback on our draft proposal for September 2026
- Suggestions for achievable changes that will maintain school identity and standards, while reducing cost burden to families.

We intend to use the feedback you provide to inform any revisions to our uniform policy, so that when changes are introduced we are ready and our uniform policy works well for all students and families.

Please note we are consulting with staff and students through surveys and therefore want to understand your views, as parents/carers, and not those of your child through the parent/carer survey.

Thank you in advance for completing our consultation survey and for your input into these decisions.

Your faithfully,

Mr S Whittle Headteacher