

Appendix F

Uniform and Appearance

Whether in the College or in the local community (College trips or sporting fixtures), our students represent Astor College. The wearing of full school uniform is expected as an integral part of the school ethos which promotes positive attitudes, is an outward sign of high standards and personal pride.

Uniform

Blazer	Black College blazer with embroidered College badge.
Shirt	White, plain school shirts with the top button fastened.
Tie	The appropriate College tie, tied with a neat knot and a suitable length.
Skirts	Pleated black skirt with the ship logo embroidered on, available from Channel uniform. Skirts should be worn with white or black socks, natural or black tights only.
Trousers	Plain black tailored trousers with the ship logo embroidered on, available from Channel uniform.
Pullovers	Plain black 'V' neck jumpers or the College jumpers with embroidered College badge can be worn under blazers but not instead of a blazer.
Shoes	Plain black, flat, closed shoes. Stitching, logos and laces should all be black not contrasting colours. No boots should be worn.
Belts	Plain black narrow belts only.
Outdoor coats	Waterproof coat which should not be denim, leather or leather effect. Pull on hoodies are not acceptable in College. Coats should not be worn in lessons or inside the school buildings.
Hats	Plain hats can be worn but not inside the school building. Peaked caps are not acceptable in College.

Personal appearance should enhance self-esteem and be suitable for a school environment.

Please also refer to the unacceptable extremes of personal appearance earlier in the policy.

Jewellery One wristwatch is acceptable.

Small, plain gold or silver ear piercings are allowed, these must not be considered by the responsible member of staff to pose a health and safety risk during practical activities such as PE. Large hoops, gemstones, diamante, crystals and other decorative styles are not permitted. Stretchers are not permitted and holes greater than 4mm are considered an extreme of personal appearance.

Necklaces may be worn but should remain invisible in College.

Nose, face and tongue piercings are not acceptable, even with a retainer or colourless stud. Body piercings should not be visible.

Hair

Hair should be of a style and colour suitable to school. Hair should be no shorter than a 'number 2' cut. There should be no shaved areas such as tramlines, logos, steps, extreme undercuts. Boys should be clean shaven, beards and moustaches are not acceptable in College. No extremes of hair colour are permitted.

The College reserves the right to make the final decision on what constitutes an extreme hairstyle.

Make-up

Make-up should be discrete and natural looking. Decisions regarding whether a student is wearing too much make-up rests with staff and students may be required to remove it.

Nails should be kept appropriately short, extremes of nail length and shape, are not appropriate whether natural or false. Nails should be suitable for school and practical activities and the responsible member of staff has the final decision.

Tattoos

Should be kept invisible.

The school supplier is Channel Uniforms 01303 487075/01303 847185. We do understand this can financial stress for parents so please contact us if you require assistance.