

School Uniform

Boys are expected to wear school uniform correctly to and from school, as well as in school. Any pupil not in correct uniform must bring a note from his parent to explain why.

The Richard Hale uniform consists of:

- A navy blue blazer with a school badge (NB a different badge is worn in Y11)
- White shirt and school tie, with correct house colour stripe
- Black trousers and grey or dark blue v-necked pullover (the tie must be clearly visible)
- Black shoes, formal in style and capable of being polished, ie no logos and not trainers.
The school's decision on suitability is final.

Please note the rules about footwear, hair, jewellery and certain items of clothing in the extract from the School Rules printed below

Most of the uniform can be bought at various outlets. The school tie and badges, however, are available only through Stevensons, Victoria Street, St Albans (01727 853262). Good quality used uniform and games kit can be obtained through the Parents' Association.

Please ensure that all uniform and personal property (including bags) is clearly marked for easy identification. There are lots of boys in this school, and they are not all always careful with their possessions!

Uniform and General Appearance [extract from the School Rules]

- You must wear school uniform properly to and from school, ie tie crest visible and shirt tucked in.
- Nothing else is to be worn under your blazer except a grey or dark blue, v-neck school pullover.
- Shoes should be black and a formal style capable of being polished, ie no logos and not trainers. The school's decision on suitability is final.
- You may wear trainers at breaks for playing football etc, but not on the way to or from school.
- You should be clean-shaven with your hair a single natural colour, no shorter than a number 2, no longer than collar length, no tramlines, and not over your eyes or face.
- You must not wear jewellery (including piercings of any kind), hoodies, baseball caps, denim or leather jackets, jeans or boots.
- Please mark your name clearly on all your uniform and personal property (including bags).
- If you are not in correct uniform you must bring a note from your parent/guardian to explain why.

Kit for Physical Education and Games

Boys are allowed to wear Richard Hale training tops when the weather is cold. Only clean, white-soled gym shoes may be worn in the gymnasium, so any shoes worn for cross-country cannot be worn again for work in the gymnasium.

PE, athletics and cross-country:

- blue polo shirt with RHS crest (supplied by Stevensons)
- white shorts / white socks / trainers

Games:

- black/gold reversible RHS games shirt (supplied by Stevensons)
- RHS games socks, ie black with amber tops (supplied by Stevensons)
- black games shorts
- rugby/football boots, with safety studs (kite-marked)
- shin pads are strongly recommended for rugby, football and hockey in lessons
 - and compulsory for front row players in school and house matches
- RHS training tops (optional / supplied by Stevensons)

Mouthguards are compulsory for rugby fixtures (ie school matches) and strongly recommended for rugby and hockey in games lessons. They can be purchased from most sports shops but the school arranges fittings early in the Autumn Term. A leaflet accompanies this booklet, and is also available from the PE Department.