

Nova Hreod Academy

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UNIFORM

Uniform at the Academy is very important to us because it represents our shared commitment to excellence in everything that we do. We have very high standards for the way in which our uniform is worn. We want our students to wear Nova uniform with pride.

Aims of our school uniform:

Creates a sense of belonging and pride

Our uniform and sports kits proudly display our school logo, building a feeling of belonging. It represents our collective identity and community.

Promotes equity and gives value for money

Uniform promotes equality as it reduces the financial pressures, and the stress placed on students and families to purchase and wear expensive, fashionable items and is a relatively inexpensive way of dressing young people for school. It also reduces the opportunities for bullying to occur.

Professional and practical

Following a dress code helps instil a sense of purpose; uniform is practical, identifies students and shows that students are ready to learn and work hard.

The cost of purchasing the school uniform will be the parents' responsibility.

UNIFORM FOR ALL STUDENTS

Where to buy uniform

Must be purchased from Monkhouse, our uniform supplier

Monkhouse Schoolwear, Sanford Street, Swindon. 01793 520843. [Nova Hreod Academy \(URN-140515\) - School \(monkhouse.com\)](http://Nova Hreod Academy (URN-140515) - School (monkhouse.com))

Can be purchased from any supplier

Please be aware of items that are marketed as school uniform or in the uniform section but that don't meet our criteria.

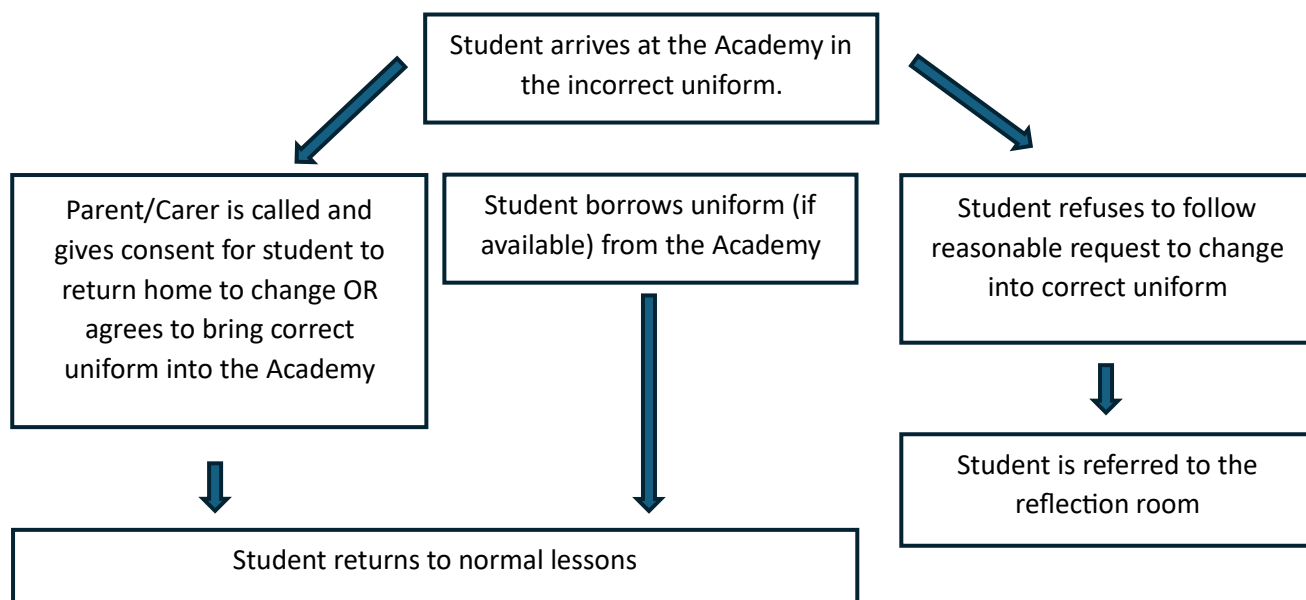
School Uniform Items		
Compulsory uniform	Nova navy blazer	Grey trousers, pleated skirt or shorts
	Nova house tie (clip-on)	
	<i>Orion – red striped tie</i>	
	<i>Cygnus – blue striped tie</i>	
	<i>Pegasus – yellow striped tie</i>	
Optional items of uniform	<i>Aquila – green striped tie</i>	White shirt
		Black shoes
		Black socks and tights
		Navy V neck jumper



PE Kit Items		
Compulsory PE Kit	Nova Hreod Academy Polo Shirt	Trainers
	Nova Hreod Academy reversible Rugby Shirt	Navy Blue football socks
	Nova Hreod Academy blue shorts/skirt	Football boots
Optional items of PE Kit	Nova Hreod Academy hoody	Mouth guard/mouth shield for rugby
	Nova Hreod Academy fleece	Black/Navy tracksuit bottoms
		Sports bra
Banned Uniform Items – will be confiscated		
• Hoodies or zip up hooded tops of any kind (including sports hoodies that students wear as a coat, zip up tops and fleeces). The only outer layer that students can wear is a coat. • Round neck jumpers • Sweatshirts of any sort included v-neck and round neck • Cycling shorts, leggings • Colourful and/or fluffy socks • Sports socks with nike logo or other sports branding • Demin or leather jackets • Crocs, sliders, flip flops or any other open footwear are not allowed for students under any circumstances including injuries as they are not safe footwear on our school site • Jewellery of any kind except for a single plain stud in each ear • Smart watches including fitness trackers • Airpods and earphones • Nike air forces or converse style shoes or trainers • False lashes of any kind • Artificial, fake nails, nail polish or acrylic nails of any kind including a natural style • Deodorant sprays, perfume or aftershave (Deodorant must be roll on only)		

UNIFORM CORRECTION

Please ensure that your child arrives in correct uniform each day. If students need to borrow some uniform for the day, they can exchange an item of uniform for a phone or keys or equivalent valuable item if they arrive before the start of school (note: we will not accept hoodies or coats in exchange for items of uniform). If students are in incorrect uniform or wearing banned items, they will need to correct/borrow their uniform before being allowed in lessons.



UNIFORM ADDITIONAL GUIDANCE

Please read the guidance carefully. We would recommend checking with us before purchasing an item if you are unsure whether it is compliant with our Uniform Policy.

	Acceptable in school	Not acceptable in school
Shirts	White, long or short sleeved, button collar, suitable for a tie. Shirts are worn tucked in and buttoned up including top button. Compulsory item	- No visible t-shirts to be worn underneath the school shirt - No polo shirts
Formal, tailored Trousers	Grey in a traditional full length, formal style. Trousers should be worn correctly and sit at the waist. Belts: Black only Compulsory item	- No fashion styles e.g. stretchy material, Lycra, skinny, leggings, jeggings, baggy or jeans - No trousers with metal studs, rivets, or accessories such as labels, fake zips or buckles - No cord, chinos, patterned fabric, casual trousers or branded items. - No decorative belts or buckles - No cropped trousers

	Acceptable in school	Not acceptable in school
		• Low worn trousers are not permitted • Trousers should not be rolled up
Formal tailored Shorts	Grey in a traditional, knee length, formal style. Shorts should be worn correctly and sit at the waist. Optional item	• No fashion styles e.g. stretchy material, Lycra, skinny, cycling shorts, baggy or jeans • No shorts with metal studs, rivets, or accessories such as labels, fake zips or buckles • No cord, chinos, patterned fabric, casual or branded items • No decorative belts or buckles • Low worn shorts are not permitted • Shorts should not be rolled up
Pleated, tailored Skirt	Grey, traditional formal pleated school style. Must be on or below knee length and pleated. Optional item	• No fashion styles e.g. tight fitting, tube, skater, side slits or wrap around • No visible shorts or jogging bottoms to be worn under trousers • No figure-hugging stretchy jersey material, patterned, or textured • No pencil skirts • No skirts with accessories, e.g. decorative belts, labels, rivets, obvious zips or pockets or any other embellishment • Skirts are not allowed to be worn rolled up
Smart v-neck jumper	Optional navy-blue V neck jumper may be worn under the blazer Optional item	• No cardigans, sweatshirts or hoodies • The jumper can only be worn with the blazer, not on its own • Round neck jumpers are not allowed • Not worn tied up at the back
Coats	A waterproof coat that should be worn over the school blazer to and from school as appropriate to the time of year and weather conditions. Optional item	• Coats cannot be worn in lessons or when transitioning between lessons • No hoodie, denim, leather jackets or sweatshirts allowed and these will be confiscated until the end of the day if worn to school.
Footwear	Black shoes only. These should be plain, leather or leather look, substantial, hardwearing and of a formal style. Shoes must be polishable.	• No high heels, boots, trainers, skate shoes, canvas, suede, fur or Velcro fastenings • No fashion styles with accessories such as bows, braiding or studs No alternative coloured soles or laces • No branded logos

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	Shoes should be buckle, lace up or slip on but must not be Velcro.	• Canvas shoes or trainers are not allowed. Please note this includes more formal trainer styles, such as black Nike Air Force. • Nike Air Force, Crocs, sliders, flip-flops, slippers, open toe or open back footwear are not allowed under any circumstances
Socks	Tights or socks must be black in colour only	• No trainer socks/shoe liners/bare feet • No coloured textured, patterned or embellished styles • No leggings • No logos (including Nike ticks) on socks • No sports socks
Make up	Should be subtle, and kept to a minimum using neutral tones	• No heavy or excessive make up e.g. dark brows, thick eyeliner, bright eye shadow or lipstick • No nail varnish, gel, acrylic or artificial nails may be worn
Jewellery	Jewellery is not allowed. Students should not wear any jewellery to school. The only exception that is permitted is one pair of small plain, round stud earrings which must only be worn in the ear lobe no bigger than 3mm (one in each ear) and one wristwatch. If students have other piercings then transparent flat retainers are permitted to be worn but these must be discreet.	• No facial or oral piercings including nose studs, stretchers in the ears, tongue piercings or ear bars • No facial tattoos. • No large diamond studs, colourful earrings dangly earrings, hoops. • No plasters or tape to be worn over piercings and time is <u>not allowed</u> for piercings to heal - students must only remove the piercing or wear retainers. • No bangles, beads, necklaces, wristbands or rings • No I-watches/SMART watches/fitness trackers.
Bags	Students are expected to bring a bag to school every day. This can be a shoulder bag or rucksack but must be large enough to fit an A4 folder. Compulsory item	Handbags, messenger bags, canvas tote bags, pouches or shopping bags are not permitted.

	Acceptable in school	Not acceptable in school
Hair covering	Hijab or Niqab in plain black or navy	Colourful or embellished items
	Bonnets, headscarves, wraps or durags in plain black or navy	Colourful or embellished items

Nova Hreod Academy adopts the Halo Code.

Our school champions the right of staff and students to embrace all Afro-hairstyles. We acknowledge that Afro-textured hair is an important part of our black staff and students' racial, ethnic, cultural, and religious identities, and requires specific styling for hair health and maintenance.

EQUIPMENT

Equipment is checked at the start of each day in tutor time. Students are given an opportunity to purchase equipment on their way into the academy each day at our Nova Equipment Shop.

Every student is expected to bring with him/her the following basic items of equipment for every lesson every day, all kept in a clear pencil case for easy inspection.

Equipment list:

- 30cm ruler
- Black Pen x 2
- Clear Plastic 30cm pencil case
- Eraser
- Glue Stick
- Green Pen x 2
- Pencil x 2
- Protractor
- Scientific calculator
- A4 size white board*
- White board pen x 2
- Knowledge Organiser*
- Self-Quizzing book*
- Reusable Water Bottle

*Whiteboards, Knowledge Organisers and Self-Quizzing books are provided by the school, but a charge will apply for replacements if lost.

Scientific Calculators

The scientific calculator should have a 3+ line screen allowing textbook style notation.

Recommended Calculator: Casio fx-85GTCW

Available at Amazon and many other retailers:

[Casio fx-85GTCW Black Scientific Calculator : Amazon.co.uk: Stationery & Office Supplies](#)

Valuable and Electronic Items

At Nova, students may not use their phone, earphones or electronic devices in school (including smart watches).

If a student wishes to bring this equipment to school, it should remain switched off in their bag. We operate a policy of “see it, hear it, lose it” regarding electronic devices. If seen or heard anywhere inside the school gate, they will be confiscated until the end of the school day.

Please do not message or call your children during the school day as they will be issued a consequence if using their phone on site. They are not allowed to check their phones during the school day.

If there are persistent breaches of the school’s mobile phone policy, then students will be banned from bringing their phone onto site and will need to hand in their phone on entry to site.

Students are not allowed to under any circumstances take pictures, videos or record using their mobile phone or any other device on the school site.