

Norham High School: Information for Parents and Carers: Uniform, Equipment and Mobile Phones: April 2019

As you know Norham has significant areas in which to make improvements. OfSTED have told us very clearly that having higher expectations in relation to pupil behaviour and compliance with uniform are areas we must improve. We are being absolutely clear with pupils and parents what our expectations are. **You and your actions are very important in helping us improve these areas. We need your support with this please.**

This year, whilst there are pupils who wear full school uniform every day, a number of pupils have worn items not included in our school uniform. Trainers and leggings are particular problems. Also, too many pupils have come to school without equipment and have misused mobile phones in school. **Uniform is important- it sets a standards, represents the school with pride and ensures pupils look smart daily. All pupils should have basic writing equipment with them- this is about responsibility and being ready to learn.**

Having chosen Norham for your child, all parents must support us over uniform and equipment. **Thank you to those of you who have done so this year.** If you haven't, please make sure your child is in full uniform – including footwear- and has a pen, pencil ruler and bag every day and their PE kit on the day they have PE. We will be checking uniform and school equipment every day and contacting any parent whose child is not following our expectations. Our uniform is very simple. It has not changed.

Item	Uniform	NOT Uniform and Unacceptable
Trousers	Black smart school trousers. Full length.	Leggings, jeans, jeggings, shorts, ski-pants, cropped trousers, tracksuit bottoms. Any other colour of trousers.
Skirt	Black. Knee length or slightly longer. Worn with black opaque tights.	Any other colour of skirt Skirt shorter than knee length
Shoes	Polishable plain black school shoes - leather or vinyl.	Trainers, canvas or suede shoes or any other soft material. No coloured laces/stripes or trimmings. No Vans or Converse.
Jumper	Black school jumper with our logo	No other colour or logos.
Shirt School Tie	Plain white shirt worn under the sweatshirt. School Tie.	No other colour or patterning. NOT a polo shirt.
Make-up	Minimal and subtle make-up is allowed	Heavy make-up and false eyelashes must be removed completely on arrival at school
Piercings	Ear piercings – small pair of stud earrings or a small sleeper.	Any other piercings eg nose, throat, lip piercings, or ear spacers must be removed or the pupil will work in isolation until they are removed.
Hair	Hair colour should be natural and styles not extreme.	Hair coloured pink, blue etc. It will need to be re-dyed to a natural hair colour.

Equipment

Every pupil should have a school bag, pens, pencils and a ruler every day. They will need it every lesson. Our stationery shop will sell basic equipment - pens, pencils, rulers at cost price before school, at Break and lunchtime. Teachers will not be giving out equipment in lessons.

Mobile phones must be switched off as pupils arrive at school. They are not to be switched on or used at all in the building. If you need to contact your child urgently during the day, please ring Reception on 0191 2005062 and a message will be taken to your child. Our staff are always happy to help.

Pupils are allowed a bottle of water or flavoured water. No fizzy drinks, juice or energy drinks are allowed.

NORHAM HIGH SCHOOL – PICTURES OF ITEMS THAT ARE, OR ARE NOT, SUITABLE UNIFORM

All black leather or vinyl POLISHABLE shoes

NOT trainers- nothing you would wear for a sport

NOT Canvas

NOT Suede

No canvas at all on shoes. No colour except black



SUITABLE AS SCHOOL UNIFORM. PLEASE PURCHASE ITEMS LIKE THESE

Formal black polishable shoes





X

NOT SCHOOL UNIFORM. PLEASE DO NOT BUY





Not Vans



Not Converse



TROUSERS

Black Full Length

School Trousers

Not leggings

Not Tracksuit bottoms

Not Jeggings

Not Jeans

Not cords



SUITABLE AS SCHOOL UNIFORM. PLEASE PURCHASE ITEMS LIKE THESE

Full length, black school trousers for boys and girls



X

NOT SCHOOL UNIFORM. PLEASE DO NOT BUY

No leggings

No jogging bottoms/sportswear



No jeans

