



The Dixie Grammar

Senior School

Uniform & Stationery
Requirements
2018-19

Equipment and Stationery

Students must ensure that they come to lessons with the necessary equipment. You should have the following:

- Pencil case (named)
- Pencils
- Pens
- Rulers (15cm and 30cm)
- Rubber
- Protractor
- Pair of Compasses
- Pencil Sharpener
- Calculator (can be purchased at School)
- Coloured Pens/Pencil Crayons
- Pocket Dictionary (including French purchased at School)
- Glue Stick
- Small scissors (blunt end design or in a protective wallet)
- Ink cartridges (if using an ink pen)

(N.B. When buying a **pencil case** please avoid tin boxes; these burst open if dropped and spread their contents over the floor; a soft case with a zip is much more practical. Coloured pencils are necessary because, unlike felt tips and gel pens, their colour does not go through to the other side of the paper.)

Bags	A robust dark bag sufficient to protect books inside A Dixie Tote bag will be provided for carrying items around school.
USB Drive	It is no longer a requirement to have a USB memory stick as students Google Drive accounts allow safe and secure storage and transfer of files between home and school. Although USB sticks can still be used currently, it is likely they will be prohibited in the future do the high risk of viruses and malware to the school computer network. If used the USB stick should be clearly labelled.
Calculators	All students should possess a calculator. In Year 8 and above this should be a scientific calculator; suitable ones can be purchased for less than £15 and may be obtained from school. In Years 6 and 7 a simpler calculator will be sufficient as long as it has square root, percentage and memory functions and works in algebraic notation.
Bi-Lingual Dictionaries	The School will provide dictionaries for use in class, but students are strongly encouraged to purchase their own French and German dictionaries for use at home and may bring these into school if they wish. We recommend Collins Easy Learning Dictionaries for both languages.
Laboratory/ Technology coats	These will be provided by the School for a one-off charge on your first bill. This covers the provision of a laboratory/technology coat for all science lessons and all laundry costs until the end of the Sixth Form. Approximate cost £35.00
Safety Goggles	These are available for all students to use when required during practical sessions.

The recommendation is that in the Laboratories contact lenses are replaced with spectacles.

All articles brought to school must be clearly marked with the owner's name.

Uniform List

Our supplier of school uniform is: **Jilly Beans**: Tel: 07967 619645, email: bridget@jillybeans.co.uk Address: Jacksons of Twycross, 23 Burton Road, Twycross, Warwickshire. CV9 3PR

All details about school uniform are on their website. Jilly Beans operate a personal fitting service at their shop. However, in order to ensure individual attention this is **by appointment only**. In addition, orders can be made by telephone or on-line; parents are invited to order by which ever means is most convenient.

Orders can be placed daily between 8.30am and 2.30pm on the number above. All uniform ordered will be delivered free-of-charge to the School on a Tuesday and Friday. If however you require uniform to be delivered on a different day, a delivery charge of £2.00 will be incurred.

Only the items which are unique to the school (*) require to be purchased from Jilly Beans but parents will appreciate the need for care if purchasing other items elsewhere in order to ensure that colours and styles are not different.

It may be advisable for new parents to visit with their child for a full uniform fitting.

Boys

Navy blue blazer with badge *

School tie *

School jumper* (optional)

Pale blue shirt (short sleeves allowed during hot weather)

Mid grey trousers

Years 6 – 8 may wear tailored, uniform, mid grey shorts during the hot weather.

Black belt if required

Socks – grey, black or navy only

Shoes – polished, black leather (not suede, not boots & not trainers)

Girls

The girls' uniform has been revised recently to remove the need for an additional costly summer uniform. From September 2017 all Year 6 and new Year 7 girls will be expected to wear the new style uniform as follows.

Navy blue blazer with badge *

School tie *

Tartan skirt *

School jumper * (optional)

Pale blue shirt (short sleeves allowed during hot weather)

Knee high white socks (ankle socks **NOT** trainer socks may be worn in the summer) or navy blue thick tights

Natural colour tights may be worn by those in Yr 8 & above

Shoes – black, flat shoes, max. heel height 3-4cm

For Boys and Girls

School scarf or plain navy blue scarf (Optional)

Coat – plain navy blue or black, no flashes or logos

Sports Uniform

Compulsory Items

Boys

Navy polo shirt with white trim *
House Rugby jersey (York/Lancaster) *
Navy DGS PE shorts *
Navy DGS Rugby shorts (optional)
Navy DGS tracksuit bottoms *
Navy DGS sports' fleece.*
White short sport socks
Navy socks (knee high)
Football/rugby boots
Strong, supportive trainers
Astro trainers – optional but recommended
Gum shield for hockey and rugby
Shin pads **with ankle protectors**
Navy blue swimming trunks (Yr 6)
Hockey Stick (Yrs 6-9)

Girls

White polo shirt with navy trim *
Navy blue DGS skort *
Navy blue DGS shorts *
Navy DGS tracksuit bottoms *
Navy DGS sports' fleece*
White sport socks
Navy socks (knee high) *
Strong, supportive trainers
Astro trainers – optional but recommended
Shin pads **with ankle protectors**
Gum Shield for hockey and rugby
Hockey stick (Yrs 6-9)
Navy blue, one piece swimming costume
(Yr 6)

'For students in Years 6-9, it is strongly recommended that 'Astro Trainers' are purchased (not blades) for the reasons of health and safety. A high proportion of our teaching time in the winter months is on the synthetic surface and ordinary trainers do not provide adequate grip'.

Optional extras (boys and girls)

Navy DGS base layer *
Dixie Sports coat *
Running spikes for Athletics – Summer Term

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Footwear

There is a noticeable trend towards less structured footwear, particularly amongst girls for whom the fashion appears to be soft 'ballet' style pumps. These are not, ideally suited for school since they can slip off easily on our many stairs, offer little protection against inclement weather and because there is significant concern over the long-term damage these may be doing to young people's feet due to the lack of support offered. Boys have recently wanted to wear casual, trainer style shoes – please note formal leather shoes are required for both boys and girls.

The School would recommend (for boys and girls) purchasing proper fitted shoes with appropriate support. The website of the Children's Foot Health Register offers more information (www.fitkidsshoes.org). Fitted shoes are widely available on-the-high-street ie Clarks, John Lewis, and locally Mosaic Shoes, a Start-rite retailer, which is run by a former parent.

Appearance

It may be useful for Parents to note the following points in addition to the standard uniform list.

In the interest of health & safety hair should be kept clean and tidy and should not hang over the face. Girls' hair touching shoulders should be securely and fully tied back. Brightly bleached, obviously coloured or streaked hair is unacceptable in school. Extremes of hairstyle fashion should be avoided such as long spikes or long hair for boys. Ties should always be correctly worn and top buttons fastened. Shirts should be tucked in. Girls may use hair ribbons and hair slides in one of the school colours but elaborate braids and bands should be avoided. 'Trainer socks' are not acceptable at any time. All students should be neat and tidy.

Girls

Hair

- If long (ie touching shoulders) hair should be securely tied back.
- All hair to be off the face avoiding the eyes. Fringes should not hang in or over the eyes.
- No exaggerated cut, style or colour.
- Hair ribbons/scrunchies – school colours only.
- Hair slides – school colours only (no butterfly clips).

Jewellery

- A watch is acceptable.
- If ears are pierced one set of gold studs only to be worn (in normal place).
- Piercing in any other part of the body is not permitted.
- No other jewellery is acceptable.

Make-Up and Nails

- Years 6-10 no make-up to be used, Year 11 discreet make-up only.
- Nail varnish is not permitted.

Boys

Hair

- Hair must be short and tidy, neatly cut and not touching the shirt collar. Exaggerated colour or styles should be avoided, as should excessive hair length and sides. Fringes must be off the face and clear of the eyes. Older boys should be clean-shaven.

The current fashion for very short side and longer hair on top is not appropriate for school.

Jewellery

- The only jewellery acceptable is a watch.
- No piercing of any kind is allowed.

Shirt Sleeve Order (Summer)

When the weather is warm students may change to Shirt Sleeve Order (short sleeved mid blue shirt). It is not, however, compulsory. Long sleeve shirts with rolled up sleeves are not an acceptable alternative. All students must come to school and go home from school in full uniform. Blazer and tie must be worn to Assembly. In lessons blazers may be removed but ties must not be removed or lowered. Blazers should be with you at all times. When moving around school blazers should be worn unless the weather is exceptionally hot when you will be allowed to carry them.

Our good reputation is vital and the way students look and behave is extremely important.

Sixth-Form Dress Code

General Guidelines

We require our Sixth Form students to uphold the excellent reputation of the School by dressing in a smart and formal manner.

It is difficult to stipulate suitable material for the skirt, suit and jacket, but denim, leather or linen are not acceptable. It is impossible to cover every possibility but if there is any doubt students should please ask their Tutor or Head of Sixth Form **before purchasing or wearing any item** to school, as the School retains the right to veto anything considered to be unsuitable.

Boys

Suit

- Dark suits only.
- The suit may have a fine pin-stripe,

Shirt

- This must be plain, pastel colours only.
- Long or short – sleeved shirts may be worn.

Tie

- Dixie Sixth Form tie.

Socks

- Plain dark colours.

Sweater

- Optional. Plain, dark, V – necked without logos. Not sweatshirts.

Outdoor Jacket / Coat / Scarf

- Coats and/or jackets should be dark or grey in colour. Not leisure or sports wear. They must not replace the suit jacket and must not be worn inside school. Scarves may be any colour but they also are not to be worn inside school.

Shoes

- Plain dark leather. Trainers, sandals and canvas/suede shoes **are not acceptable**.

Hair

- Hair should not be longer than collar length or long fringed over the face. Extremely short or shaved hairstyles are also not suitable. Any extreme style or colour is not acceptable. Students must be clean-shaven in the Lower Sixth unless prior permission has been granted by Head of Sixth Form. In the Upper Sixth Form growth of smartly groomed facial hair is permitted.

Students will be required to return home to change into appropriate clothing if necessary and will be asked to remove any extreme jewellery. The final decision rests with the Head of Sixth Form and or Deputy Head (Pastoral) in this case.

Girls

Suit

- Plain black or dark grey suit tailored (skirt, dress or trousers).
- Skirt and dress length –knee height to mid-calf. Very tight or very full skirts or dresses are not suitable.

Blouse and sweater

- Any colour long or short-sleeved blouse with collar. No T-shirt or sweatshirts. No bare midriffs or low necklines. .

Tights

- Flesh, brown, black, grey or navy. Not patterned.

Shoes

- These should be plain dark leather. Suede is not acceptable. The heel height should be no greater than 2". Thin high heels are not only a safety issue but they also damage the flooring within School and they are therefore not allowed. Flip-flops, Ugg boots, open-toed and trainer shoes are also unsuitable.

Outdoor Coat / Jacket / Scarf

- Coats and/or jackets should be dark or grey in colour not leisure or sports wear. They must not replace the suit jacket and must not be worn inside school. Scarves may be any colour and they also are not to be worn inside school.

Make-up / Jewellery

- Discreet only, earrings only to be worn in the lobe of the ear.

Hair

- Suitable style for study and no extremes of colour. Hair must be secured off the face and either tied back or worn shoulder length. This is in keeping with the overall high standard of appearance of the Sixth Form.

Students will be required to return home to change into appropriate clothing if necessary and will be asked to remove any extreme jewellery. The final decision rests with the Head of Sixth Form and or Deputy Head (Pastoral) in this case.

Health & Safety

Please note that for health and safety reasons it is strongly recommended that students do not wear contact lenses in science lessons, as they can cause serious problems if chemicals get into the eye.

Games Kit for both boys & girls

Students are required to purchase a School Polo shirt (navy/white for boys and white/navy for girls) available from the School uniform supplier. Students should wear navy tracksuit bottoms or navy shorts. Trainers predominantly white strong with non-marking sole, are essential. **Football club team strips are not allowed.**

Students are also strongly recommended to have shin pads, appropriate footwear and mouth guards available for use in Games lessons.