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Head Teacher's Introduction

I am pleased to provide details of our revised School Dress Code for Session 2023/2024 onwards, alongside details of our supplier; <u>BE Uniforms</u>

There are a number of reasons for having a clearly defined dress code policy:

- In a large school, for safety reasons, it is essential that all pupils are instantly recognisable as Forrester High School pupils.
- We regard school as a 'place of work' for our young people, and wearing school uniform creates the right climate and mindset required for learning.
- Wearing school uniform instils pride, a sense of belonging, a sense of purpose in class and projects an appropriate image to the local community and visitors to the school.
- Items of school uniform are significantly cheaper than branded items of clothing.
- School uniform removes the stigma attached to not wearing more expensive branded items and also reduces peer-pressure and bullying.

I would like to thank you for your cooperation and support with this policy.

S. Rafferty

Head Teacher



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The items below form our school uniform

S1-3:

- Black or white Forrester polo shirt/plain polo shirt; or shirt and tie
- Black Forrester Jumper/plain black Jumper/pullover/cardigan/black FHS hoodie/black hoodie.(No large logos)
- Plain black trousers, black jeans, plain black track suit bottoms, black skirt or thick black leggings (no leggings with large logos)
- Black shoes or trainers
- Black shorts are suitable if mid thigh length or longer

S4-6:

All S4-6 pupils should be smartly dressed in a **shirt and tie** along with black trousers/jeans/skirt/leggings, and a black jumper/pullover/cardigan. S6 pupils should wear a green tie. No large logos on show.

The following items are <u>not</u> suitable for school:

Football tops, track suits, T-shirts, large logo clothing, crop tops, flip flops/sliders, slippers, brightly coloured clothing, or items which expose the waistline.

Equality and Diversity

- · We have a gender-neutral Dress Code policy at Forrester High School
- · Forrester High School supports all pupils in wearing Dress Code which aligns with their gender-identity.

Please note:

- Outdoor clothing (including, scarves, and jackets) should be removed when in class.
- Pupils who are not dressed appropriately will be provided with clean items from school stock, parents alerted, or sent home to change with parental consent.
- A suitable change of clothing is needed for PE. Pupils are expected to travel to and from school in full dress code.





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FHS White Polo FHS Black Polo

FHS Sweatshirt

V-neck jumper









Plain White Polo Plain Black Polo

FHS Hoodie

Plain white shirt









FHS 3/4 zip pullover

Fitted shorts

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bottoms

Plain black leggings



Skirt



Black trousers/Jeans





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Poverty Proofing our school

Poverty-proofing the school day means considering how policies and practices can impact on children and young people affected by financial pressures and how this effects their experience of the school day. Solutions may not necessarily cost money but may, for example, require schools or education services to do something differently.

In every school in Scotland, more and more parents, carers and families face financial pressures, meaning that many of our children risk being locked out of opportunities to participate, learn and thrive. At Forrester High School, we must enable all of our young people to take full and equal advantage of opportunities and consider how to reduce the extra costs for parents and carers.

If you have any concerns when purchasing school Dress Code, please contact our **Pupil Support Officer**:

<u>Sarah.ross@forrester.edin.sch.uk</u> who can provide support for our young people. This might be temporarily for a few months or throughout a young person's full school life.



