

Dressing for Excellence

What can parents do?

- ✓ Make sure you are aware of the benefits of wearing school uniform and discuss these with your child.
- ✓ Stay committed to it – sometimes the road may be rocky, but it is worth showing your determination.
- ✓ Keep in contact with the school and other parents; a united approach will reinforce the messages to children and young people.
- ✓ If you are contacted by the school to inform you that your child has not worn any or part of the approved uniform, discuss it with them; set out our joint expectations and revisit the benefits.
- ✓ Praise your child for wearing the full school uniform. Tell your child how smart they look.



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School Uniform Policy

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At Lasswade High School our DREAM values underpin our expectations for student conduct. School Uniform is an important way of reinforcing our values and drive for excellence. Our DREAM values are shown in brackets below.

Lasswade High School expects and strongly encourages all students to have as high a standard of uniform as possible since it can:

- ✓ contribute to school security and personal safety (Respect)
- ✓ promote a positive and professional work ethic (Ambition and Effort)
- ✓ help students to see school as a place of commitment to learning (Motivation)
- ✓ support positive behaviour and discipline (Respect)
- ✓ encourage identity with, and support positive school ethos (Respect)
- ✓ promote equity of opportunity and social justice (Ambition)
- ✓ protect children and young people from social pressures (to dress in a particular fashionable or expensive way) (Respect)
- ✓ nurture cohesion and promote good relations between different groups of students (Respect)

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CHECKLIST

At Lasswade High School all students are expected to wear:

- ✓ LHS School Blazer (plain black with school badge for S1-3, with red piping for S4-6)
- ✓ LHS House tie for all students, phased in for all senior students during session 2021/22
- ✓ White school shirt or blouse
- ✓ Plain black formal trousers or skirt/dress.
- ✓ Plain black school jumper/cardigan
- ✓ Plain black shoes
- ✓ PE Kit - shorts/tracksuit, black/white T-shirt, sports training shoes

Students are expected to bring their PE kit even if they are not taking part in an activity due to injury or ill health.

All students are expected to bring necessary equipment to support learning; this includes:

- ✓ School Bag
- ✓ Pencil Case with necessary equipment, including a pen, pencil, eraser, ruler and calculator
- ✓ Water bottle (to fill with water as needed)
- ✓ An electronic device if issued by the school

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There are forms of dress which are **not acceptable** and are **not** part of our uniform.

For example:

- × leggings/jeggings/jeans or denim
- × inappropriate length, style or design worn in a manner that could cause offence to others
- × stiletto heels, high platforms, trainers
- × overly-loose fitting clothing, flammable clothing, certain types of piercing/ear rings that could be a health and safety hazard

We expect outside wear (i.e. jackets/caps/hats/scarves/hooded sweatshirts/tracksuits) to be removed when in the building.

The last Friday of each month will usually be designated a Dress Down Day. Students can either wear normal school uniform, or can opt to dress down and wear casual clothing to school and make an optional contribution to charity. The monies collected will be split with one-third going to the school fund (to benefit all our students) and the remaining two-thirds to support a local, national or international charity identified by our students in conjunction with staff.

For further information relating to our Dress Code, please see the Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) within our School Website.

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