



Uniform and Equipment Guidance

Academic Year 2022 – 2023

Rationale

At Cheltenham Bournside School we expect the highest standards from our students, starting with their personal presentation and preparation for the school day. Our uniform gives our school its identity and we expect our students to wear it with pride at all times. To maintain these standards, this guide outlines our expectations to ensure that our students feel part of our community, are ready to learn, and make the best impression to everyone they meet.

Years 7-11

Compulsory uniform

Please mark every item of clothing with the owner's name:

- ✓ Cheltenham Bournside School blazer with school badge
- ✓ Cheltenham Bournside School navy pleated skirt or full-length/tailored trousers with Bournside badge
- ✓ White regular or fitted shirt which must button at the neck – short sleeves shirts are permitted but capped sleeves are prohibited (see Appendix 1)
- ✓ Black/navy/dark socks or black/natural-coloured plain tights – white sports socks are only permitted for PE
- ✓ Plain black or dark brown shoes with a low heel – platforms, boots, trainers, and ballet pumps without a hard-based sole are prohibited
- ✓ Respective Cheltenham Bournside School House tie:
 - Attenborough House **Green**
 - Frank House **Purple**
 - Hawking House **Blue**
 - Owens House **Red**
 - Parks House **Orange**
 - Rowling House **Yellow**

Please note: Year 7 students will receive their first school tie during their induction as part of joining their house.

Optional uniform

- ✓ Plain navy v-neck pullover (logos not permitted).

Jewellery

- ✓ Any jewellery must be discreet and suitable for the school environment and must not compromise the health and safety of the school community
- ✓ All jewellery must be removable
- ✓ Stud earrings are allowed – no more than two piercings in each ear
- ✓ Facial piercings including tongue piercings are prohibited

- ✓ Visible piercings must be done with ample healing time so they can be removed during the school day. If a student arrives in school with a visible facial piercing, they will be asked to remove the piercing before entering their lessons. Refusal to remove a prohibited piercing will result in a Level 3 'refusal' on our Ladder of Consequences – please see our Behaviour Policy.

Hairstyles

- ✓ Hairstyles must be neat and tidy
- ✓ The use of hair dye to achieve unnatural colours or combinations is not permitted
- ✓ Hair accessories should be discreet and removable
- ✓ Hair should not be excessively short (minimum grade 1) or cut with lines or patterns
- ✓ Long hair must be tied back for PE, Technology, and Science lessons
- ✓ After holidays, students should return to school with acceptable hairstyles. Please allow adequate time for colours or patterns to grow out.

Make-up

- ✓ Make-up must be discreet
- ✓ Acrylic nails/extensions and false eye lashes/extensions are prohibited. Students will be given 48 hours to remove these items. Refusal to remove prohibited make-up will result in a Level 3 'refusal' on our Ladder of Consequences – please see our Behaviour Policy.

Outdoor garments

- ✓ All outdoor layers including overcoats, jumpers, fleeces, hats, scarves, and gloves must be removed on entry to the school building and must not be worn during lessons
- ✓ Hooded sweatshirts or 'hoodies' are prohibited on school site
- ✓ Prohibited items will be confiscated for collection at the end of the school day.

Physical Education

Compulsory items

- ✓ Cheltenham Bournside School navy polo shirt with school badge (girls)
- ✓ Cheltenham Bournside School white polo shirt with school badge and Cheltenham Bournside School rugby top (boys)
- ✓ Navy shorts or skorts
- ✓ Cheltenham Bournside School navy sports socks (outdoor)
- ✓ Suitable white sports socks (indoor)
- ✓ Trainers (any colour) with non-marking soles
- ✓ Rugby/football boots (boys) – studs must conform to Rugby Football Union safety standards
- ✓ Shin pads
- ✓ Gum shield.

Optional items

- ✓ Astro-boots for use on Astro-Turf
- ✓ Navy/black tracksuit bottoms
- ✓ Cheltenham Bournside School full zip sports jacket with school badge
- ✓ Cheltenham Bournside School navy sports leggings
- ✓ Base layer (black, white, or navy)
- ✓ A mid layer for warmth. A plain navy/black fleece that can be worn under the Cheltenham Bournside School sports top. Branding not required.
- ✓ White cricket trousers – necessary if in the school cricket team
- ✓ White cricket jumper – necessary if in the school cricket team.

Equipment

We expect all students to arrive at school every day with the necessary equipment to allow them to have a successful day of learning. All items to be kept in an appropriate school bag.

Compulsory items

- ✓ Appropriate school bag of adequate size to carry the books and items required in school (not a small fashion style handbag)
- ✓ A pencil case
- ✓ Our magnificent 7 (can be purchased at school):
 - Pens (minimum 2)
 - Pencils (minimum 2)
 - Ruler
 - Rubber
 - Sharpener
 - Reading book
 - Planner – given to students on their first day (replacements must be purchased)
- ✓ Calculator (Casio FX83 recommended as this is required for Maths examinations)
- ✓ Drinks bottle
- ✓ Helmet if cycling to school.

Optional items

- ✓ iPad
- ✓ Colouring pencils
- ✓ Highlighter pens
- ✓ Mathematical equipment
- ✓ Subject-specific resources e.g. PE kit, cooking ingredients, musical equipment.

Additional information

In cases where medical reasons require a modification to the uniform and equipment expectations, notice on letterheaded paper from a medical professional must be addressed to the student's Head of House detailing the reason, and specifically stating the amendment required and the duration the amendment is needed for. The school will of course look to support any reasonable requests.

To maintain our high standards of uniform, a consistency check will take place in each tutor room every morning between 8.40-8.50am. Where uniform and equipment fail to adhere to these guidelines, a sanction will be issued in line with our Behaviour Policy until the matter is resolved. Prohibited items of clothing will be confiscated and where possible an alternative will be provided for that school day from our pastoral support team to allow a student to access their lessons. Refusal to remove prohibited items will result in a Level 3 sanction. Please see our Behaviour Policy.

These expectations should be read in conjunction with the School Behaviour Policy 2020-21. Please see Appendix 1 to further support you when purchasing school uniform and equipment. With respect to make up, jewellery, and hair styles Cheltenham Bournside School reserves the right to decide what is discreet and appropriate for the school environment.

If your personal circumstances or finances mean that you are unable to purchase the full school uniform and equipment, please email admin@bournside.gloucs.sch.uk and we will endeavour to help in any way that we can.

Uniform suppliers

Schooltogs

252 High Street, Cheltenham, GL50 3HF

01242 523632

www.schooltogs.com

Universal Uniform

Unit V1 Kingsville Road, Kingsditch Trade Park, Cheltenham, GL51 9LX

01242 580062

www.theschoolwearcompany.co.uk

Sixth Form

Smart business wear

As role models for students in the main school, we expect our Sixth Form students to be dressed smartly at all times, taking pride in their appearance and their school.

- ✓ Sixth Form House tie – given to students during their induction
- ✓ Full-length/tailored dark-coloured trousers – leggings are not permitted
- ✓ Tailored dark-coloured knee length skirt – lycra skirts are not permitted
- ✓ Black/natural-coloured plain tights
- ✓ A light-coloured short or long-sleeved shirt with a fastening top button and collar suitable for a tie – pinstripes and check patterns are permitted
- ✓ Tailored jacket or blazer – waistcoats are permitted
- ✓ Plain v neck jumper or cardigan – sweatshirts, hoodies, and round neck jumpers are not permitted
- ✓ Black or brown shoes, or low-heeled boots – trainers and trainer-style shoes are not permitted
- ✓ An outdoor coat is not to be worn in place of a jumper, cardigan, or tailored jacket
- ✓ All outdoor layers including overcoats, hats, and scarves must be removed on entry to the school building and must not be worn during lessons or in the school corridors.

Jewellery, make up, and hairstyles

- ✓ Jewellery must be discreet and suitable for the school environment
- ✓ Make up must be discreet
- ✓ Hairstyles must be neat and tidy
- ✓ Hair accessories should be discreet
- ✓ Hair should not be excessively short or cut with lines or patterns.
- ✓ The use of hair dye to achieve unnatural colours or combinations is not permitted.

Students not complying with this dress code may be sent home to change. Cheltenham Bournside School reserves the right to determine what is suitable for the school environment.

Appendix 1: Main school uniform guide

School blazer with badge and respective Bournside House tie



White regular or fitted shirt, long or short sleeve



Pleated skirt or full-length/tailored trousers



Plain black or dark brown shoes



School bag

