

Blessed George Napier Catholic School and Sixth Form

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Dear Parent/Guardian

Dress to impress – Our school uniform and the expectations from September 2023

We are looking forward to welcoming our students back this week and we want all of them to have a positive start. We see school uniform as an essential part of school life. It is a symbol of belonging and something that unites all children at Blessed George Napier Catholic School. As always, we have the highest level of standards and expectations for all our students and we and we appreciate the support of our parents in ensuring our uniform reflects this.

School uniform can be purchased from our supplier, Cross Embroidery, in the usual manner via their website <https://www.crossembroidery.com/schoolwear/12-blessed-george-napier-catholic-school>. BGN uniform is compulsory for all pupils in Years 7-11. We would also remind parents that all items of clothing should be named so that they may be returned to students should they be mislaid. The uniform requirements are:-

All

- Plain navy or black top coat – no logos
- Navy blue blazer with BGN badge – no other top should be worn with school uniform
- Black substantial shoes with heel no higher than 25mm/one inch. No material shoes, trainers, canvas or ballet shoes. No logos on any shoes
- A plain navy or black scarf may be worn
- An optional navy 'V' neck jumper with the BGN badge on it

Boys

- Plain white shirt with collar large enough to allow the top button to be fastened
- BGN tie, which should be fastened allowing at least 12 stripes to be shown
- Grey trousers, not black
- Navy or black socks

Girls

- Blue and white check reverse neck blouse
- Navy pleated skirt with the BGN logo on, no more than three inches above or below the knee
- Navy tailored trousers
- Plain navy or black tights, or plain navy or black ankle socks only

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PE kit

Boys

- Navy and gold rugby shirt
- Navy blue shorts
- Navy blue football socks with gold hoops
- Football boots
- Training shoes (trainers)

Boys Optional

- Navy blue hooded sweatshirt with BGN crest
- BGN navy blue tracksuit bottoms
- Navy, gold and white polo shirt
- Running spikes

Girls

- Navy blue polo shirt with school crest
- Navy blue shorts, or skorts with BGN badge
- Navy blue socks with gold hoops
- Training shoes

Girls Optional

- Navy blue hooded sweatshirt with BGN crest
- BGN navy blue tracksuit bottoms
- Football boots
- Running spikes

Hair, make-up and piercings

- Body or facial piercings are NOT permitted whatsoever; this includes the use of clear/see through piercings. Covering of such with plasters is not sufficient and pupils will be asked to remove them
- Jewellery such as rings, bracelets, etc may not be worn in school time
- One small, rounded stud may be worn at the bottom of each ear
- A small crucifix on a thin chain and a watch are the only permitted items of jewellery. These items will have to be removed for PE
- Hair colour and style must be appropriate for school, with no tram lines cut into the style
- Hair must not be dyed in any unnatural colours
- Make-up, including nail varnish and acrylic nails, is not permitted in school
- Coats and outdoor clothing may not be worn in school
- Boots may not be worn in school

Footwear

This is an important aspect of our school uniform. Please see the photos below, illustrating footwear that is acceptable. BGN allows:-

- All black, plain, leather, polishable shoes



We do NOT allow:-

- Trainers
- Canvas pumps
- Coloured or embroidered fashion shoes

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Below is a list of essential and recommended equipment for your son/daughter:-

Essential

- Black ballpoint pen and a spare
- Calculator
- Pencil
- Ruler 12"/30 cm
- Pencil eraser
- Pencil sharpener

Optional

- Coloured pencils/fine fibre tips
- Protractor
- Set square
- Rough notebook/jotter
- Pair of compasses

If you do have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the school office.

Once again, thank you for your support in this matter.

Yours sincerely



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