

Burscough Priory Academy School Uniform

We are excited to let you know that a new Burscough Priory Academy uniform will be introduced for all students from September 2019, the start of the next school year. The arrangements for buying this uniform are outlined in the communication from our suppliers, Whittakers. It will be available for purchase from 1st August.

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Our new uniform is now on display on the uniform page of the website.

From 1st September 2019, the uniform consists of:

- Navy blazer with school badge
- White shirt
- V-necked school jumper in grey with purple trim
- Grey trousers with BPA logo
- OR Grey skirt with BPA badge - knee length only
- School tie (different design for Year 11)
- Plain, long black socks (no higher than the knee) or 40 denier plus tights (no patterns or ribbons)
- Black school shoes

Full details of the school uniform and the way in which it should be worn are outlined in our Uniform and Appearance Policy.

We have asked the current suppliers not to sell the current Burscough Priory Academy uniform anymore and we would advise that you return any unworn items you may have been sold.

Skirt Length

For those students who choose to wear a skirt, we have spoken at length to our suppliers to stress that the skirt needs to sit half way over the knee at the start of the school year. They will advise you about this, so please be careful if ordering online. Any student who presents in September with a skirt that is too short will be required to purchase a new skirt of the correct length. This is non-negotiable. This may result in a brand new skirt being surplus to requirements because you will be unable to return it if it has already been worn but is too short.

We have spoken to the providers about special arrangements where we have girls who are not as tall or who are taller than the average for their age group. If you think this may apply, then we would advise you going into the shop. For a very small number this may still not be appropriate, in which case skirts may need altering. If you would like to claim the cost of this alteration to ensure the skirt is in line with school policy, then please contact us.

School Shoes

As with the skirts, it is essential that you do not pay for shoes that cannot be returned once worn if they are unsuitable. Our policy advises: plain, black, smart, sturdy shoes (Boots, trainers, shoes with logos, pumps, flimsy ballet/court shoes, fabric or high heels are not acceptable). If you are unsure of the suitability of footwear, please contact Mrs Harding in advance of purchase.

Gender specific clothing

You will note that the uniform display boards on the website separates items by boy/girl. Please note that whilst these are the recommended fit our students are welcome to purchase and wear any items regardless of gender.

PE Kit

A new Burscough Priory Academy PE kit will also be available for September 2019. This will be compulsory for the new Year 7 students. Briefly, the PE kit from September is as follows:

- Navy T-shirt, navy shorts and navy/grey socks, all with Burscough Priory Academy badge, for indoor and warm weather activities
- Navy reversible sports top or navy quarter zip top, both with Burscough Priory Academy badge, for outdoor sports
- Optional navy track pants, also with Burscough Priory Academy badge
- Football / rugby boots/ shin pads/ gum shield – staff will notify when these are required

If you are a family that is struggling financially, for whom this change will create additional financial pressure beyond the subsidy, please could you contact Mrs Harding to discuss further.

If you have any other questions about any other aspects of this letter please don't hesitate to email us via enquiries@burscoughprioryacademy.org

Your sincerely,

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