



BRIDGE HOUSE

PRE-PRIMARY · PREPARATORY · COLLEGE

UNIFORM REQUIREMENTS (COLLEGE)

The intention of this policy is:

- to have students wear their uniform **NEATLY AT ALL TIMES**.
- to have students represent the school with **PRIDE AT ALL TIMES**.
- for students to make a **POSITIVE FIRST IMPRESSION** with their appearance.

All clothing must be:

- of an **appropriate size**.
- of an **appropriate length**.
- in **good repair**.

All Bridge House branded clothing must be bought from the school uniform shop. Where specified, 1st team and touring items will be available from the sports office.

Interpretation of this policy rests with the management of the school.

While wearing the school uniform (**BOTH ON AND OFF THE SCHOOL PREMISES**), the following rules apply:

Hair:

- Style must be appropriate and functional for the school uniform and the activity.
- All hair must be tied up (with a navy blue, black or white hair tie or aliceband) so that no hair is falling across the eyes and face. For example, a student's fringe must be cut in such a way that it is above his/her eyebrows.
- Hair must be tied in a full ponytail, and not be sectioned, to allow for loose hair.
- All hairstyles must be appropriate and in line with what can be reasonably accepted in a formal school environment.
- Hair must be neat and tidy.
- Hair must be one's natural hair colour. For example, if a student's natural hair colour is brown, dyeing the hair red or blonde will not be accepted, similarly braids and extensions must match one's natural hair colour.
- Decorative hair accessories are not permitted.

- Boys' faces must be clean-shaven, no beards or moustaches are permitted.

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Jewellery:

- Boys are not permitted to wear any jewellery other than a watch and/or a medic alert bracelet.
- Girls are permitted to wear a single pair of plain round silver or gold studs or sleepers (sleepers must be small and thin). No hoop earrings are permitted.
- No diamante/diamond/ pearl or coloured studs are allowed.
- Earrings are to be worn in the lobes of the ears. No other piercings may have earrings/bristles/clear studs in them.
- No other visible jewellery is permitted. No bracelets, anklets or rings are allowed.
- Plasters may not be used to cover any jewellery or piercings.
- Medic alert bracelets are permitted.

Nails:

- Nails must be short, neat and clean.
- Nails may not extend past the tip of the finger.
- Clear nail varnish is permitted.
- No artificial nails (gel, acrylic, stick-on) are permitted.

Make-up:

- Simple/ basic make-up may be worn but it must be appropriate for the school uniform and daily activities:
 - Base may be worn to cover blemishes.
 - No excesses/ extremes of make-up is allowed.

Tattoos

- No visible tattoos are permitted.
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The College does not have a summer and a winter uniform but rather the options below are weather dependent as there are cold days in summer and warm days in winter.

COLLEGE GIRLS

EVERY DAY UNIFORM:

- Short-sleeved BH white golf shirt (tucked in) **OR** BH girls cotton short-sleeved collared white shirt (tucked in).
- Plain white long or short-sleeved collared cotton shirt (tucked in) **OR** BH girls cotton short-sleeved collared white shirt (tucked in) which must be worn with a BH tie (Grade 10, 11 and 12). The top button must be done up.
- ALL shirts must be tucked in.

- Plaid skirt with short plain white ankle socks (socks must be long enough to cover the ankle, no secret socks permitted) OR navy-blue stockings and black shoes (plain black leather, closed, lace-up)
- Plaid skirt should not be shorter than a handwidth above the knee. Girls may not tear the slit.
- Chinos and BH belt with plain white or navy socks (no secret socks) and black leather shoes (plain black leather, closed, lace-up/ t-bar or 'baby doll').
- Bermuda shorts and BH belt with long navy socks and black leather shoes.
- BH jersey
- BH rain jacket: may be worn with everyday uniform and P.E. kit
- BH scarves: only for cold winter days
- BH beanies: only to be worn on cold winter days, worn outside and not during lessons
- BH blazer (Grades 10, 11 and 12 ONLY)

FORMAL SCHOOL UNIFORM: (this dress code to be adhered to on formal occasions such as Awards evenings and other designated events)

- Plaid skirt with navy blue stockings (short, plain white ankle socks, as above, may be worn in warmer weather) and black shoes
- Chinos and BH belt with plain white or navy socks and black shoes (see above)
- Short-sleeved BH white golf shirt (tucked in) **OR** BH girls cotton short-sleeved collared white shirt (tucked in) for Grades 8 and 9.
- Plain white collared cotton shirt (tucked in) **OR** BH girls cotton short-sleeved collared white shirt (tucked in) which must be worn with a BH tie (Grades 10, 11 and 12. The top button must be done up.
- BH jersey for Grades 8 and 9.
- BH blazer and tie compulsory for Grades 10, 11 and 12.
- Grades 10, 11 and 12 may wear a jersey under their blazers.
- No scarves, beanies or rain jackets at formal events.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION & SPORT PRACTICES:

- **P.E. kit may not be worn to school unless a student has a timetabled P.E. lesson on that day.**
 - **Students can change into their P.E. kit for sport practices, after the academic day has finished.**
 - **Any deviations from the above will be communicated to students ahead of time e.g. Inter-house events.**
- BH white golf shirt OR a house t-shirt i.e. Olympia = white, Helios = red, Alexandria = blue
 - BH navy sports shorts
 - BH swimming costume & cap (summer)
 - BH tracksuit (Tailored tracksuit bottom and ¼ zip top with raincoat) for fixtures and practices only or on scheduled P.E. lesson days.

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- Cap or hat (only to be worn during P.E. lessons or outside during break times), sunscreen & water bottle
- Sport shoes (lace-up cross trainers/ sports specific) and plain white, sports socks (ankle socks which must be long enough to cover the ankle and not secret socks)
 - B.H. Havaianas may only be worn for Water polo or swimming practices and are not permitted to be worn during the academic day.
- Protective gear (such as gum guards, shin guards, etc.) will be determined by the sport itself. Such gear is a prerequisite both at practices and at matches.
- Relevant sport equipment (tennis racquet, hockey stick, etc.)

SPORTS FIXTURES:

- 1st teams have specific 1st team kit.
- 1st team kit may ONLY BE WORN ON MATCH DAYS (from second break).
- Sport kit requirements for all other teams in table below.
- Please contact Ms Kieren Paley (girls) kiepal@bridgehouse.org.za and Mr Jacques le Roux (boys) jacler@bridgehouse.org.za for details.

<p>SWIMMING/ WATER POLO</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BH white golf shirt • BH navy sport shorts • BH swimming costume & BH swimming cap • BH water polo costume & BH swimming cap • Blue BH Havaianas 	<p>ATHLETICS/CROSS COUNTRY</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BH athletics vest* OR BH white golf shirt • BH navy sport shorts OR plain navy short tights/athletics shorts • Sport shoes <p><i>*available from Sports Office.</i></p>
<p>GOLF</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BH white golf shirt • Chinos OR Bermuda shorts with BH belt • Short white socks • Golf shoes 	<p>TENNIS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BH tennis shirt OR BH white golf shirt • BH navy sport skirt with navy/black hot pants • Short white socks (no secret socks) • Court shoes
<p>HOCKEY</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BH royal blue sleeveless sport shirt • BH navy sport skirt with navy/black hot pants • BH royal blue/navy long sport socks • Sport shoes/hockey boots - appropriate for use on the ASTRO 	<p>NETBALL</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BH royal blue sleeveless sport shirt • BH navy sport skirt with navy/black hot pants • Short white socks (no secret socks) • Court shoes
<p>MOUNTAIN BIKING</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Personal cycling kit OR BH PE kit • Cycling helmet essential 	

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<p>GOLF</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BH white golf shirt • Chinos OR Bermuda shorts with BH belt • Short white socks • Golf shoes 	<p>CRICKET</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BH white cricket shirt • White long cricket pants (not in uniform shop) • Short white socks • Cricket boots
<p>TENNIS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BH tennis shirt OR BH white golf shirt • BH navy shorts • Short white socks • Court shoes 	<p>HOCKEY</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BH royal blue sport shirt • BH navy shorts • BH navy & royal long sport socks • Hockey boots - appropriate for use on the ASTRO

Please note: The school will consider deviations to the Uniform Policy, on certain limited grounds, including established religious and cultural reasons, with the proviso that the parents have given a written motivation to the school as to the reasons why an exemption to the rules should be applied.