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.
- Hair must be neat and tidy.
- All hair must be tied up so that no hair falls 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.
- Only navy blue, black or white hair ties and alicebands are permitted. No other colours are allowed.
- Hair must be tied in a full ponytail and not be sectioned to allow for loose hair.
- Hair colour must be consistent with the student's natural hair colour. Subtle enhancements that closely match and blend with the student's natural hair colour are permitted, provided they do not create stark or unnatural contrasts.
- Decorative hair accessories are not permitted.
- Boys' faces must be clean-shaven every day. 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 medical 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 bracelets, anklets or rings are allowed.
- No other visible jewellery is permitted.
- Plasters may not be used to cover any jewellery or piercings.
- Medical 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 other colours are allowed, including french tips.
- No artificial nails (gel, acrylic, stick-on) are permitted.

Make-up:

- No make-up of any kind may be worn.
- No lip gloss of any kind.
- False eyelashes are not permitted.

Tattoos

- No visible tattoos are permitted.

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.

GIRLS COLLEGE UNIFORM

EVERY DAY UNIFORM:

- Short-sleeved BH white golf shirt tucked into the skirt/trousers. **OR**
- The BH-branded girls' cotton short-sleeved collared white shirt is tucked into the skirt/ trousers.
- Grade 10, 11 and 12 students may wear the BH-branded girls cotton short-sleeved collared white shirt with a tie and the top button done up. The shirt must be tucked into the skirt/ trousers.
- Grade 10, 11, and 12 students may wear either a plain white, long- or short-sleeved, collared cotton shirt with the BH tie. The top button must be done up and the shirt tucked into the skirt/ trousers.
- ALL shirts must be tucked in at all times.
- The BH-plaid skirt which may not be shorter than 5 centimetres above the knee.
- Girls may not tear the slit on the skirt.
- Girls may not roll up their skirts.
- The bottom of the BH navy trousers may not touch/ drag on the ground.
- BH navy trousers with plain white or navy socks (no secret socks).
- Chinos and BH belt with plain white or navy socks (no secret socks).
- Bermuda shorts and BH belt with long navy socks.
- Plain black leather school shoes, either as a lace-up, t-bar or baby-doll style.
- Short plain white ankle socks. White socks must be long enough to cover the ankle and no secret socks are allowed **OR**
- Navy-blue stockings. No black tights are permitted.
- BH jersey.
- BH rain jacket: may be worn with the everyday uniform and P.E. kit.
- BH scarves. No other scarves are permitted.
- 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 must be adhered to on formal occasions such as Awards evenings and other designated events)

- Plaid skirt with navy blue stockings and black leather school shoes **OR**
- Chinos and BH belt with plain white or navy socks and black leather school shoes.
- Grade 8 and 9 students may wear either the short-sleeved BH white golf shirt **or** the BH-branded girls' cotton short-sleeved collared white shirt.
- All shirts must be tucked into the skirt.
- Grade 8 and 9 students may wear the BH jersey. No rain jackets are permitted.

- Grade 10, 11 and 12 students must wear a plain white collared shirt (long or short-sleeve) or the BH-branded girls' cotton short-sleeved collared shirt, with a tie and the top button done up. The shirt must be tucked into the skirt.
- Grade 10, 11 and 12 students must wear the BH blazer.
- Only school-issued badges may be worn on the blazer.
- Grade 10, 11 and 12 students may wear the BH jersey under their blazers.
- No scarves, beanies, rain jackets or Matric jackets.

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 sports 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 OR BH navy sports skort.
- Sport shoes and plain white sport socks which are long enough to cover the ankle. No secret socks permitted.
- Sports shoes must be lace-up cross-trainers. Sport-specific shoes may be used during sports practices.
- No crocs or sandals with socks are permitted.
- BH Havaianas may be worn for water polo and swimming practices only. They are not permitted elsewhere.
- BH tracksuit to be worn for fixtures and winter practices.
- BH swimming costume and cap.
- BH cap or hat is to be worn during P.E. lessons or outside during break times.
- Sunscreen and a water bottle.
- Protective gear (gum guards, shin pads etc) will be determined by the sport itself, but is a prerequisite for both practices and fixtures.
- Relevant sports equipment (tennis rackets, hockey sticks etc.) for practices and fixtures.
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SPORTS FIXTURES:

- 1st teams have specific 1st team kit.
- 1st team kit MAY BE WORN ON MATCH DAYS ONLY (from second break).
- The sports kit requirements for all other teams are listed in the table below.
- Please contact Mrs Kieren De La Harpe (girls) kiedel@bridgehouse.org.za and Mr Jacques le Roux (boys) jacler@bridgehouse.org.za for details.

SWIMMING/ WATER POLO	**ATHLETICS/CROSS COUNTRY**
• BH white golf shirt • BH navy sport shorts • BH swimming costume & BH swimming cap • BH water polo costume & BH swimming cap	• BH athletics vest* OR BH white golf shirt • BH navy sport shorts OR plain navy short tights/athletics shorts • Sport shoes **available from Sports Office.*

• Blue BH Havianas	
GOLF • BH white golf shirt • Chinos OR Bermuda shorts with BH belt • Short white socks • Golf shoes	**TENNIS** • 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
HOCKEY • 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	**NETBALL** • BH royal blue sleeveless sport shirt • BH navy sport skirt with navy/black hot pants • Short white socks (no secret socks) • Court shoes
MOUNTAIN BIKING • Personal cycling kit OR BH PE kit • Cycling helmet essential	

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BOYS COLLEGE UNIFORM

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- ALL shirts must be tucked in at all times.
- Chinos and BH belt with plain white or navy socks (socks must be long enough to cover the ankle and no secret socks are allowed) **OR**
- Bermuda shorts and BH belt with long navy socks.
- Plain black leather school shoes to be worn with both chinos and shorts..
- BH jersey.
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- Grades 10, 11 and 12 may wear a jersey under their blazers.
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MOUNTAIN BIKING • Personal cycling kit OR BH PE kit • Cycling helmet essential	**SOCCER** • BH navy blue Umbro soccer shirt • Navy Umbro soccer shorts • Navy Umbro socks • Soccer boots
GOLF • BH white golf shirt • Chinos OR Bermuda shorts with BH belt • Short white socks • Golf shoes	**CRICKET** • BH white cricket shirt • White long cricket pants (not in the uniform shop) • Short white socks • Cricket boots
TENNIS • BH tennis shirt OR BH white golf shirt • BH navy shorts • Short white socks • Court shoes	**HOCKEY** • 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 from the Uniform Policy on certain limited grounds, including established religious and cultural reasons, provided that parents submit a written motivation to the school explaining why an exemption to the rules should be applied.