



BEACONHILLS COLLEGE UNIFORM



WELCOME TO THE NEW BEACONHILLS COLLEGE UNIFORM

We are very pleased to launch a new range of school uniform items from the start of 2025. Families have the choice of transitioning to our new uniform over three years, with students able to mix items from the old and new uniform as they grow.

Our 18-month uniform review has involved extensive consultation with students, families and staff. The new uniform is designed to meet the continuously changing needs of our students, ensuring better comfort and higher quality for durability, with a streamlined range to help reduce the number of garments that parents need to buy.

The uniform continues to be a very important part of our community school. It represents the standards

to which we aspire for our students, is contemporary in meeting their needs and enables them to wear their uniform with pride.

The feedback from our community during the uniform review has led to a range of updates, from subtle to significant, and I would like to thank all those who participated. 🙏

Stephen McGinley
Executive Principal



OUR COLLEGE UNIFORM HISTORY

1982

The College's uniform heritage began with the opening of the school in 1982.

In the early days of the school, the Parents and Friends Association were involved in choosing both academic and sport uniforms. The first full uniform range included the distinctive royal blue blazer with the gold and blue school logo on the pocket.

Winter uniform was a long-sleeve blue shirt (boys and girls) and a box-pleated tartan skirt for girls. Girls wore a grey summer dress.

As the College grew, so did the uniform, with new items like hats and caps, raincoats, House shirts, track pants and rugby tops added to the range.

1991

1991 saw a major change to the uniform, phased in over two years, with a new girls' summer

dress and the introduction of the navy blazer. Shirts were changed from blue to white, bringing in smarter, cleaner lines. More uniform changes in 2003 reflected the introduction of the College's new-look logo.


2018

Further changes to the uniform, such as grey tailored pants for senior girls and skorts for junior girls, aimed to make the range gender neutral and trans-seasonal, as well as promote physical activity and positive body image.

2023

In 2023, Beaconhills began its extensive new uniform review. The objective was to design a range that maintained tradition and students' sense of pride in their uniform, offered more choice, was durable, comfortable and supported student learning.

It was also an opportunity to streamline the number of items (and costs) at key transition points between different sections of the College.

After extensive consultation with families, students and staff, Beaconhills College is proud to launch its new uniform range which will be phased in over a three-year period starting in 2025. 




UNIFORM RANGE



The new Beaconhills College uniform is gender-neutral and trans-seasonal with carefully selected items which promote physical activity and positive body image.

Students may choose to wear new uniform items from the start of 2025, but there will be a three-year transition period.

This means that students do not need to exclusively wear the new uniform until 2028.

Over the three-year transition period, students can wear any combination of old and new uniform items, providing they follow their year level's uniform policies (referenced in this document). 

THE CONTEMPORARY
BEACONHILLS COLLEGE
UNIFORM IS DESIGNED
TO MEET THE LEARNING
NEEDS OF STUDENTS
NOW AND INTO
THE FUTURE, WHILE
REPRESENTING THE
COLLEGE'S PROUD
HISTORY.

UNIFORM POLICY

WHY WE FOCUS ON UNIFORM

Our College Uniform Policy underscores our dedication to nurturing a strong sense of belonging amongst students. We encourage all students to proudly and correctly wear the College uniform, as it empowers them, ultimately fostering a united and inclusive school community. We believe that it is the students' responsibility, with the support of their families, to meet our high uniform standards, and staff are committed to supporting this endeavour.

OUR AGE AND STAGE APPROACH TO UNIFORM

EARLY YEARS

More information about the Early Years uniform can be found in the Little Beacons Family Handbook available on the College website and Parent Portal.

JUNIOR SCHOOL

The Junior School uniform is designed to support the active nature of students in their learning both within and outside the classroom.

The Junior School uniform reflects the College sport uniform.

Junior School students should wear their House polo shirt on the days they have the House period. Students in Years 2-4 should also wear their House polo on days they have House Sport.

YEARS 5-12

The College has two main variations of the uniform for students in Years 5 - 12, to best meet the needs of our program.

1. THE FORMAL UNIFORM


The formal uniform provides a range of connected, trans-seasonal garments. On any day, students can choose items which best reflect their personal preferences and daily needs. There is no separate summer or winter uniform.

The formal uniform is expected to be worn each day when students do not have Physical Education.

2. THE SPORT UNIFORM

The sport uniform is for Physical Education and sporting competitions as well as activities that relate to our experiential learning programs. The sport uniform must be worn for practical sport and Physical Education classes and other activities as directed by staff.

3. THE HOUSE UNIFORM

Students wear the House uniform for House Sport and selected House competitions and carnivals. 



UNIFORM POLICY

- All uniform items should be clean and in good condition at all times.
- Non-uniform items of clothing should not be worn.
- For Years 5 - 12 students, the formal uniform is the standard school uniform that must be worn each day, unless the sport uniform is specified for a particular excursion or activity.
- The sport uniform should be worn for practical sport and Physical Education classes or performing arts (*as directed*). There is an age-appropriate approach regarding changing between the sport uniform and the formal uniform (*more information on page 10*).
- Junior School students should wear the sport uniform for all classes.

BLAZERS

YEARS 5-12:

Students are required to wear their blazers when travelling to and from school, to tutor group and all formal school occasions, such as school assemblies and church services.

In terms 1 and 4, students are not required to wear their blazers home in hot weather. However, the jumper or woollen cardigan should never be the outermost garment.

The woollen jumper/ cardigan may only be worn without a blazer when on school grounds. Year 12 students may wear their Year 12 jacket in place of the College blazer travelling to and from school.

SCARVES

Scarves are optional. Only the College scarf is permitted to be worn.

CAPS AND HATS

Students in Prep to Year 8 must wear a hat when outside during the SunSmart period from mid August to the end of April. This must be the broad-brimmed hat, bucket hat or cap (*Years 5-8 only*). Students in Years 9-12 must wear a

hat for timetabled Physical Education classes and as directed.

Beanies are optional and can be worn outside the SunSmart period. Hats and beanies are only to be worn outdoors. All students are encouraged to wear a hat outdoors.

SCHOOL BAG

All students must use the designed Beaconhills navy school bag.

DRESSES AND SKIRTS

The length of dresses, skirts, tunics, shorts, and skorts should allow students to actively participate in all school activities without any disruptions caused by short garments.

SHOES

Formal black, low-heeled shoes with enclosed heels and toes with either laces, velcro or straps/buckles should be worn with the formal uniform. The shoes need to be polishable and, where laces are worn, they should be black. There should be no large logos on the shoes. Refer to pages 26-27.

SPORT SHOES

Sport shoes must be a runner/training-style shoe appropriate for a combination of both indoor and outdoor activities. Streetwear including high tops, skate shoes, and/or canvas shoes are not appropriate. Refer to pages 26-27.

HAIR

The College does not permit extreme hairstyles, including but not limited to mohawks and skullcuts, and reserves the right to determine the acceptability of hairstyles.

PREP-YEAR 4:

If hair reaches the shoulder or below it must be neatly tied back off the face.

YEARS 5-12:

Hair must be off the face and tied back, when instructed, for classes. Facial hair must be neat, tidy and appropriately maintained.

HAIR ACCESSORIES

Hair accessories must be functional, small and in plain College colours (blue, yellow or white) or in the colour of the student's hair.

JEWELLERY

Prep-Year 4:

Students may wear studs and small hoops/sleepers for piercings. Junior School students may also wear a light chain around the neck and a watch.

Years 5-12:


Students may wear studs and small hoops/sleepers for piercings.

All other jewellery items should be minimal and discreet. This means choosing jewellery that is subtle and not overly ornate. During practical lessons, students may be asked to remove or cover any jewellery as directed by staff to ensure safety and focus.

Students deemed to be wearing excessive jewellery will be directed to remove items by staff.

MAKE UP AND NAILS

Wearing of make-up should be age-appropriate and is not permitted in the Junior School. When it is worn it should be minimal and subtle.

Nails should be kept at a length that allows students to fully participate in all required school activities, including practical classes, without any safety concerns or hindrance. 



UNIFORM POLICY

S P O R T

The sport uniform is for Physical Education and sporting competitions as well as activities that relate to our experiential learning programs.

- The sport uniform must be worn for practical sport and Physical Education classes and other activities as directed by staff.
- There are two types of sport uniform:
 - Physical Education (navy)
 - House sport (House colours)
- Students may wear the (navy) sport uniform on days when they are representing the College at District, or SEISA competitions, and during practical classes as outlined below.
- There is an age-appropriate approach regarding changing between the sport and formal College uniforms.

- On days students are permitted to wear their sport uniform to school, they should wear their shell jacket when travelling to and from school, to tutor group and all formal school occasions, such as school assemblies and church services. In terms 1 and 4, students do not need to wear their soft shell jacket home in the afternoon in hot weather.

YEAR 5 - YEAR 10.

Students in Years 5 – 10 should wear their sport uniform to school on days they have Physical Education. In Year 10, students may wear their sport uniform for Physical Health and Wellbeing and for practical classes when advised by their teacher. They do not need to change at school.

YEARS 11-12:

Students in Years 11 – 12 must arrive at school each day in their formal uniform and change into and out of the sport uniform for practical classes when advised by their teacher. If their timetabled class is in period 5, students should change at lunch and may go home in their sport uniform.

HOUSE SPORT UNIFORM

Students in Years 2 – 12 should wear the coloured House polo shirt for inter-House events and carnivals (eg. inter-House athletics, swimming, cross-country).

Students in Years 2 – 6 should wear the coloured House polo on days they have House sport. Students in Years 2 - 4 should also wear their House polo on days they have their House period.

SEISA TRAINING AND COMPETITION

YEARS 7-12:

Students selected in a SEISA representative team may wear the sport uniform to school on fixtured competition days. Students attending lunchtime training sessions should change at lunchtime when directed by their coach, and may stay in the sport uniform for the rest of the day. 



LITTLE BEACONS

E A R L Y Y E A R S



LITTLE BEACONS

EARLY YEARS UNIFORM



Sharing Journal



Wet Pack



Sheet set



Lunchbox

UNIFORM OPTIONS

- Short sleeve polo
(navy / orange)
- Long sleeve polo
(navy / orange)
- Quarter-zip top
- Track pants with double knee
- Shorts
- Skort
- Soft Shell Jacket
- Puffer vest
(optional)
- Bush kinder overalls
- Splash pants

SPECIALTY ITEMS

- Sharing journal
- Wet bag
- Sheet set
- Lunchbox

ACCESSORIES

- School bag
- Reader bag
(Discovery Program)
- Gear sack sport bag
(Discovery Program)
- Bucket hat
- Socks
(with stripe)
- Scarf
(optional)
- Beanie
(optional)
- Gumboots
(students can wear their own non-branded gumboots but they must be blue or black)
- Raincoat
(optional)

OPTIONAL ITEMS



Short sleeve polo



Long sleeve polo



Quarter-zip top



Track pants with double knee



Soft Shell Jacket



Shorts



Splash pants



Bush kinder overalls



School bag



Skort



Bucket hat



Socks (with stripe)



Reader bag



Gear sack sport bag



Gumboots



Puffer vest



Beanie



Scarf



Raincoat

PREP-YEAR 4

J U N I O R S C H O O L



PREP-YEAR 4

JUNIOR SCHOOL UNIFORM

UNIFORM OPTIONS

- Soft shell jacket
- Short-sleeve polo
- Long-sleeve polo
- Quarter-zip top
- House polo shirt
- Skort
- Shorts
- Track pants with double knee
- Puffer vest (optional)

ACCESSORIES

- School bag
- Bucket hat
- Broad-brimmed hat
- Socks (with stripe)
- Scarf (optional)
- Beanie (optional)
- Raincoat (optional)
- Reader bag
- Gear sack sport bag

House polo shirt



McConchie



Millett



Creese



Woods



Rich



Clark



Leaver



Tregoning

OPTIONAL ITEMS



Short sleeve polo



Long sleeve polo



Quarter-zip top



Track pants with double knee



Soft Shell Jacket



Shorts



Gear sack sport bag



Reader bag



Socks (with stripe)



Skort



School bag



Bucket hat



Broad-brimmed hat



Puffer vest



Beanie



Scarf



Raincoat

YEARS 5-12

M I D D L E S C H O O L , Y E A R 9 , S E N I O R S C H O O L



YEARS 5-12

M I D D L E S C H O O L , Y E A R 9 , S E N I O R S C H O O L

FORMAL UNIFORM OPTIONS

- Blazer
- Woollen jumper
- Cardigan
- Short-sleeve shirt
- Long-sleeve shirt
- Dress
- Skirt
- Pants
- Shorts
- Tie
(optional)
- Puffer vest
(optional)

ACCESSORIES

- Socks
(with stripe)
- Tights
- School bag
- Sport bag
- Beanie
(optional)
- Scarf
(optional)
- Belt
(optional)
- Hat
 - Cap
 - Bucket hat
 - Broad-brimmed hat

OPTIONAL ITEMS



Dress



Blazer



Short-sleeve shirt



Long-sleeve shirt



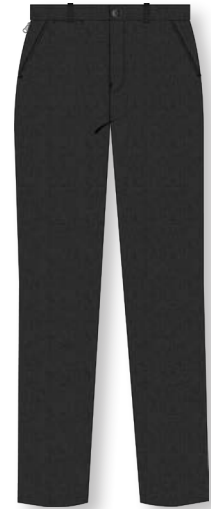
Skirt



Cardigan



Woollen jumper



Pants



Shorts



Socks (with stripe)



Tights



Sports bag



School bag



Puffer vest



Broad-brimmed hat



Cap



Scarf



Tie



Belt



Beanie



Bucket hat

YEARS 5-12

SPORT UNIFORM MIDDLE SCHOOL,
YEAR 9, SENIOR SCHOOL

SPORT UNIFORM OPTIONS

- Soft shell jacket
- Puffer vest (optional)
- Short-sleeve polo
- Long-sleeve polo
- Quarter-zip top
- Shorts (lined or unlined)
- Skort
- Track pants (relaxed or tailored)
- Active leggings
- House polo

House polo shirt



McConchie



Millett



Creese



Woods



Rich



Clark



Leaver



Tregoning

OPTIONAL ITEMS



Track pants



Active leggings



Short sleeve polo



Soft Shell Jacket



Long sleeve polo



Quarter-zip top



Shorts



Lined shorts




Skort



Puffer vest

FORMAL SCHOOL SHOES

(YEARS 5 - 12)

Formal black, low-heeled shoes with enclosed heels and toes with either laces, velcro or straps/buckles should be worn with the formal uniform. The shoes need to be polishable and where laces are worn, they should be black. There should be no large logos on the shoes. See below examples of approved and unapproved formal footwear. 

APPROVED



NOT APPROVED



SPORT SHOES

(P R E P - Y E A R 1 2)

Sport shoes must be a runner/training style shoe appropriate for a combination of both indoor and outdoor activities – streetwear including high tops, skate shoes, and/or canvas shoes are not appropriate. See below examples of approved and unapproved sport footwear. 

APPROVED



NOT APPROVED



FAQS

Q&A

WHEN DO STUDENTS NEED TO TUCK THEIR SHIRTS IN?

The older style long sleeve shirt with a tail must be tucked in. The newer style short sleeve and long sleeve shirts with a band at the bottom can be worn tucked or untucked.

CAN CADETS WEAR THEIR CADET UNIFORM TO SCHOOL?

Students in the Cadet Unit are able to wear their cadet uniform to school on Thursday and as instructed for special occasions.

CAN EXTRA LAYERS BE WORN UNDER THE UNIFORM?

Extra layers may be worn underneath the uniform for added warmth, however, these layers should not be visible.

WHEN CAN THE CARDIGAN BE WORN?

The cardigan can be worn interchangeably with the woollen jumper.

WHEN IS THE COLLEGE TIE WORN?

The College tie is optional for students in Years 9–12 with the formal uniform.

WHEN IS THE SKORT WORN?

The skort is part of the sport uniform.

WHEN CAN TIGHTS BE WORN?

Tights can be worn with the formal uniform.

WHEN CAN THE PUFFER VEST BE WORN?

The puffer vest can be worn with the formal uniform or sport uniform. When wearing a blazer, the puffer vest should be worn under the blazer.

WHEN CAN THE SHELL JACKET BE WORN?

The shell jacket can be worn as an extra layer during recess and lunch with the formal uniform. If worn to/from school in wet weather, layer it over the blazer.

On days students are permitted to wear their sport uniform to school, they should wear their shell jacket when travelling to and from school, to tutor group and all formal school occasions, such as school assemblies and church services. In terms 1 and 4, students do not need to wear their soft shell jacket home in the afternoon in hot weather.

WHERE CAN OLD UNIFORMS BE RECYCLED?

Recycling bins will be placed at each campus from late November 2024 for collection/recycling of old or unwanted uniforms.


JUNIOR SCHOOL KEY EVENTS

Students in Prep - Year 4 should wear the soft shell jacket to all key events including school photos and the presentation assemblies and to other events as directed.

YEAR 5 – 12 KEY EVENTS

Students in Years 5 – 12 must wear the formal school uniform for school photos and for the end-of-year presentation assemblies, as well as to other key events as directed. Students are required to wear their blazers to these events. The puffer vest or Year 12 jacket cannot be worn at these events.

APPROPRIATE FOOTWEAR AT ALL TIMES

On 'out of uniform' days, students must wear footwear that protects their feet. Footwear such as thongs are not permitted. 



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