



20th June 2019

Dear Parent/Carer

I hope this letter reaches you successfully as this is my first chance to use our new 'InTouch' system!

As you are aware, our students will have a new uniform to be worn from September 2019 as we are due to join the Aspirations Academies Trust from this date. The Trust are providing all Budmouth students four FREE items of uniform. These are blazer, jumper, tie and PE polo shirt.

Our uniform supplier (Brigade) will measure your child for these compulsory uniform items. Your child will be able to take these items home with them on their uniform measuring day.

Uniform measuring days:

Thursday 18th July 2019

- 8.55 – 10.55 Year 7 students
- 10.55 – 11.15 Break
- 11.15 – 13.15 Year 8 students
- 16.16 – 18.15 Incoming Year 7 students

Friday 19th July 2019

- 8.55 – 10.55 Year 9 students
- 10.55 – 11.15 Break
- 11.15 – 13.15 Year 10 students

As promised and following the recent consultation, we have amended our Uniform Policy to provide greater clarity. When purchasing the 'other' items of uniform eg shoes, skirts, trousers etc it is very important that you check the new Uniform Policy which is attached to this letter. In some cases, there are no changes, but we have provided clearer direction on what **is** and **is not** acceptable. If you have any doubts about a particular item, please check before purchasing.

Should you wish to purchase duplicates of the four free items listed above, these can be made from Brigade Parents Direct and an order form is attached.

In addition to looking smart, it is also important that students bring appropriate equipment to school and attached is a list of recommended equipment.

With our previous system of text alerts asking parents to read letters that have been published on our website, it is obvious from some enquiries I have received recently that not all parents are aware of the new timings of the day from September 2019. All letters sent from Budmouth are available to read under the 'Parents' tab on our website and if you have not already done so, my letters dated 22nd May and 14th June may be of interest to you.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely

David Herbert

BUDMOUTH COLLEGE – UNIFORM POLICY 2019-22 (YEARS 7-11):

Blazer:

Acceptable: Official Budmouth blazer only.

This is to be worn at all times in the proper manner with sleeves rolled down, unless a member of staff gives specific permission to remove it. During very warm periods the Principal may decide that blazers do not need to be worn.

Not Acceptable: No blazer; pushed up sleeves, any garment other than the school jumper and shirt underneath.

Jumper:

Acceptable: Official Budmouth jumper, compulsory from October half-term to Easter, unless specified otherwise eg an unseasonably warm day.

Not Acceptable: Sweatshirt, non-regulation jumper, fleece, tracksuit, hooded top, waistcoat, cardigan, jumper tucked into trousers or skirt.

Trousers:

Acceptable: Tailored, full length, plain black, classic style made of school conventional material (polyester/viscose in the majority). Any belts should be black.

Not Acceptable: Fashion trousers (denim/corduroy/chino/other materials/hipsters/flares/wide-bottoms/bootlegs/skinny trousers/lycra.

Fashion trousers (skinny, jeggings, flare, stretchy material), leggings.

Studs, visible buttons or trimming.

Shorts.

Skirt

Acceptable: Plain black school skirt, straight in shape or pleated, worn at the waist made of school conventional material. Skirt must sit on the knee or so that the gap between the top of the knee and hem of the skirt is no greater than 5cm.

Not Acceptable: Rolled up skirts. Skirts that are lycra, bodycon or not regulation length. Black skirts with embellishment, patterns.

Shirt

Acceptable: Plain white school shirt tucked in and buttoned at the neck.

Not Acceptable: Casual/fashion shirt. Shirt worn without a tie or with tie tucked in. Sports/hooded tops or coloured t-shirts under shirts. Shirts worn outside trousers. Exposed midriff.

Tie

Acceptable: Budmouth clip on school tie. Budmouth privilege tie.

Not Acceptable: Ties that are not Budmouth. Any tie that has been damaged or has evidence of graffiti must be replaced immediately.

Shoes

Acceptable: Traditional black flat or low heeled leather or vegan alternative school shoes (must be possible to polish). Laces, soles and stitching must be black. Shoes must finish beneath the ankle bone. Black shoes should be worn on the way to and from Budmouth.

Not Acceptable: Trainers (even if black), skate shoes, sandals, boots, fashion/coloured shoes, flip flops, coloured/florescent laces, canvas/fabric shoes or pumps, trimmings i.e. buckle, labels, tags or decorations, high heels, stilettos, platforms, wedges, clog type shoes, sandals/sling backs/backless shoes.

We will reserve the right to decide what represents a trainer, even when the retailer has marketed the shoe as suitable for school.

Socks and tights

Acceptable: Plain black socks. Plain black tights – minimum of 60 denier.

Unacceptable: Coloured or patterned socks or tights, bare feet, socks worn over tights.

Hair, make up and nails

Acceptable: If hair is long it is essential it is tied back for reasons of health and safety in some practical lessons e.g. Science and Technology. Hair must be tied back for PE lessons.

Hairbands must be black and of a maximum width of 50mm.

A maximum of two plain hair slides can be worn.

Hair must not be cut shorter than a Grade 2.

Make up – light foundation, light mascara, clear lip gloss only.

For health and safety reasons in Science, Technology and PE, nails must be kept short.

All hair colours must be of a single natural colour.

Not acceptable: Extremes of style (We reserve the right to decide what is extreme but invites students and parents to ask in advance if they need guidance).

Tram lines or other shaved shapes in hair or eyebrows, hair that is an unnatural colour, decorative attachments worn in the hair, hair extensions, 'Barcodes' in eyebrows.

Make up other than that listed, false eyelashes, nail varnish, nail extensions.

Jewellery

Acceptable: Maximum of two small plain gold or silver stud-like earrings (one in each ear).

One wristwatch. One plain ring on the finger of one hand only. One bracelet. One necklace.

Not acceptable: Extra or large jewellery of any kind.

Any facial or body piercing including the tongue.

Clear plastic studs or bards.

Plasters covering piercings.

No accessories are to be worn around the neck or attached to clothing.

Please note all jewellery must be removed for PE and other practical lessons.

Hijab

Acceptable: Black in colour (white is permitted in the summer term).

Not acceptable: Patterned or any colour other than black (or white in the summer).

Outdoor wear

Acceptable: Coat can be worn over the blazer.

Not acceptable: Hoodie, coat worn without the students' blazer underneath.

Coats worn inside are not permitted.

Caps and hats are not permitted inside the building.

Other

Acceptable: Bras must be plain and not visible through the students' white school shirt.

Not acceptable: Ear phones. Tattoos.

PE kit:

Acceptable: Sports Trainers (with non-marking soles), Football/Rugby boots.

Navy football socks.

Budmouth navy blue shorts (not lycra)/plain navy tracksuit trousers / plain navy sports leggings (polyester material).

Budmouth royal blue polo shirt.

Budmouth plain navy hooded top (no zips).

Budmouth navy rugby shirt.

Shin pads and gum shields are very strongly recommended.

A plain navy base layer worn under the regulation polo shirt can be worn in cold weather.

Not acceptable: Clothing with Logos.

School jumpers or hooded tops with zips.

Any alternative outer layers, e.g. coats.

Socks other than regulation football socks.

Fashion sport footwear.

Skate shoes.

Plimsolls.

Florescent laces.

Leggings of a cotton material.

Equipment

At Budmouth, we set the highest expectations for our students in order to raise their aspirations and enable them to fulfil their true potential. Parental engagement is one of the biggest factors behind student achievement and so your ongoing support is essential in supporting your child's academic progress.

We have high expectations on equipment. Please see below the essential equipment that every student is required to have in their possession each day at Budmouth from September:

	Item
COMPULSORY EQUIPMENT	Pencil case (30 cm long, clear plastic pencil case is recommended)
	Helix Maths Set
	Ruler (30 cm ruler recommended)
	Compass
	Protractor
	Safe Compass (optional)
	Casio FX-83GT Plus calculator <i>or</i> Casio FX-85GT Plus calculator
	3 x blue or black pens
	3 x HB pencils
	Highlighters (one must be yellow)
	1 x mini white board pen
	1 x green pen
HIGHLY RECOMMENDED ITEMS	Coloured pencils
	Glue stick
	Scissors
	Rubber
	Pencil sharpener

All equipment listed above will be available to purchase from our school shop at lunch times should a student require replacements.

Subject	Item
English	Collins English Dictionary and Thesaurus ISBN: 9780007955596 Currently available to purchase for £3 from The Works
MFL	French or Spanish dictionary
Reading Book	Ability appropriate reading book. Students will be expected to have this for independent reading tasks.

Form tutors check that students have the right equipment every single day – lack of equipment points are issued if a student does not have any of the compulsory items, so it is essential that students are supported in bringing every day. Ability appropriate reading books are an essential item, as there will be an emphasis next year on independent reading and these will be used on a daily basis in tutor times and English lessons.

Clear plastic 30cm pencil cases recommended as these are a requirement for all public examinations. We do not want our parents/carers to have the added expense of purchasing another pencil case specifically for these examinations. If your child chooses an alternative pencil case, please be aware that a clear pencil case will be required for all public examinations.

In addition to the equipment listed above, students are required to bring the following items of PE kit on every day that they have a PE lesson; **without full PE kit students will not be able to participate in the practical element of PE lessons.** Please note that if your child is unable to participate in the PE lesson you must provide a note excusing your child as a participant, however your child is still required to bring and change into their PE kit. The reason for this is twofold. Firstly, the intention of PE staff is to include students in the lesson, even if participation is restricted and secondly, should the student be caught in wet weather, he/she will have a dry uniform to change back into at the end of the lesson.