



Launceston College

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Uniform & Equipment Guide 2026-27

All students in Years 7 to 11 are expected to wear the official uniform during the school day, on their commute, and at all official events. As ambassadors for the college, students should wear their uniform with pride and maintain a smart appearance at all times.

At Launceston College, a smart appearance is key to building a strong, inclusive community and maintaining high standards in the learning environment. A consistent uniform helps remove social barriers by promoting equality, integration, and a shared sense of identity among all students. We appreciate the support of parents and students in upholding these expectations, as wearing the uniform with pride reinforces our collective values and strengthens our school identity.

Our official school uniform is exclusively available from our uniform supplier: Price & Buckland, which you can purchase [online](#). We hold a selection of uniform items in stock that can be tried on for size before placing your order - please contact your child's Year Lead, Head of Year or Pastoral Support worker if required.

SCHOOL UNIFORM

Plain white polo shirt or school shirt with collar

- The collar must be visible.
- Polo shirts or school shirts must be long enough to meet the top of the trousers.
- Any t-shirt or vest worn underneath the polo shirt must not be visible.

Plain black tailored trousers of a traditional design

- Not skinny trousers, jeans, chinos and trousers with pockets on the legs.
- Trousers should be full length and meet the top of the shoe.
- Socks should not be visible if trousers are the correct length.
- If a belt is worn it must be black.

Plain black tailored pleated skirt of a traditional design

- Skirts should not be of jersey stretch material.
- Skirts must not be rolled up and must be worn between the mid-thigh and the knee.
- See examples below for required length:



Branded navy blue sweatshirt or jumper with college logo

- Students must wear their jumpers or sweatshirts at College.
- Students may request to remove their jumper in lessons.
- From May half-term, or earlier depending on the weather, until they return in September, students do not need to wear their sweatshirt/ jumper (*see Summer Uniform*).

Plain black socks OR plain black tights

- Socks should be on or just above the ankle - no sports socks, trainer socks, shoe liners or knee length socks.
- The hem of the trouser should cover the top of the socks.
- Socks should not be worn over or under tights.
- Socks should not have patterns or logos.

Plain black polishable school shoes

- Shoes must be wholly black, with no white or coloured markings or logos.
- Laces must be black.
- Shoes should be clean.
- Clean, black boots are permitted.
- Trainers, skate shoes, shoes designed for leisure wear, suede or canvas shoes or shoes with prominent logos are not permitted.
- See examples below as a clear guide of permitted shoes:



Summer Uniform

From May half-term, or earlier depending on the weather, until they return in September, students do not need to wear their sweatshirt/ jumper and are permitted to wear plain black tailored shorts on or just above the knee (not chinos, cargo style or shorts with pockets on the legs).

Please note: Some shops sell items in school uniform sections that are not permitted at Launceston College.

SCHOOL PE KIT

Essential

- Branded navy and sky blue polo shirt with College logo
- Navy/black shorts OR tracksuit bottoms OR plain sports leggings
 - Shorts need to be loose fitting (not cycling shorts, hot pants or skorts) and cut in at the middle of upper leg (front and back)
 - Small sport logos are acceptable
- White/ navy/ black ankle length socks
- Navy / black long socks (for football, hockey and rugby)
- Gymnastics grip socks (if your child is unwilling to work barefoot for gymnastics)
- Shin pads (for football and hockey)
- Gum shield (for rugby and hockey)

Optional

- Navy and sky blue rugby shirt with College logo
- Sky blue PE sweatshirt with College logo
- Black/navy base layer

PE Footwear

- Plastic or moulded stud football boots (not metal) for rugby/field based activities
- Astro Turf Trainers can be used both on the 3G Astro Turf pitch but also for all other hard surface based activities.
- Below are types of footwear appropriate for use on the 3G Astro Turf Pitch:

Studs (Moulded)	Plastic Studs - Screw-in Less than 15mm	Astro Turf Trainers	Blades or boots with metal or metal tipped studs	Flat soled e.g. trainers etc
YES ✓	YES ✓	YES ✓	NO X	NO X
		 Dimpled e.g. Specialist hockey shoes		
		NO X 		

Where a student is missing some or all of their PE kit, the expectation is for students to borrow spare kit we hold in the department so they can still access and participate in the lesson (we have lots of spare kit in a range of sizes which is clean and washed after each use).

OTHER ITEMS

Outer Garments

Coats, gloves, scarves and hats may only be worn outside College buildings.

Jewellery

- Students may wear no more than a single stud earring in each ear.
- A non-Smartwatch wristwatch may be worn.
- Students are not permitted to wear finger rings, face piercings (including those with plastic covers or plasters), bracelets, necklaces or anklets.
- Belts should fit in belt loops and must be black

Non-permitted items will be confiscated and need to be collected by parents/ carers from Reception after 1530.

Hair

- Should be a natural colour and worn in a style that does not compromise health or safety.
- Hair styles, including Mohican and other non-gradual changes in length, patterned shaving, and grade 2 or below, are examples of unacceptable hair design.
- Long hair should be tied back when requested for health and safety reasons.
- Hair ornaments should be no larger than a 50p piece.
- A single, thin hairband may be worn on the wrist.

If there is any question over the nature of extreme hair the Executive Principal or Head of School will decide.

Make Up and Nails

- Should be discreet; if it is noticeable it is not discreet.
- Nail varnish, nail gel and nail acrylic should not be worn.
- Eyelash and nail extensions are not permitted.

Students will be supported to remove excess make-up, nail-polish, false nails and false eyelashes.

Electronics

- Students are not permitted to use their phones or any other smart devices inside or outside the building within the safeguarding fence.
- Phones should be turned off and in bags.
- If a student's phone is seen or heard it will be confiscated to be collected by parents/ carers from Reception after 1530.
- Ear buds, air pods, headphones, and smartwatches must not be worn.

School bags

Should be suitable, preferably a backpack or messenger bag that is big enough to hold an A4 folder.

Chewing gum is not allowed.

Water

- Permitted in lessons a clear plastic bottle.
- Not allowed in science laboratories or areas where IT equipment is in use.
- No other drinks are allowed in lessons.

Students are responsible for topping up drinking bottles at breaks and not during lesson times.

EQUIPMENT CHECKLIST

The following equipment will be checked on a daily basis at Greeting so students are set-up for a successful day ahead and are ready to learn.

- A **clear pencil case** containing:
 - 2 black biro pens
 - 2 sharpened pencils
 - 1 rubber
 - 1 ruler
 - Year 10 and 11 only: protractor and compasses
- A scientific calculator
- A copy of their timetable

Please make sure that every item of clothing, and equipment where possible, is clearly marked with your child's name. If your child loses an item they should check at reception and seek help from the Year team as soon as possible.

Launceston Foodbank has a variety of second hand uniform available. We are pleased to partner with them to provide accessible second hand uniform to our school community. We ask for clean and good condition outgrown uniform to be dropped to our donation point in reception. We then donate this to the Foodbank on a monthly basis or when we have a good amount.

If you need any support with uniform or equipment items please contact your child's Year team ASAP.