

# REGENT HOUSE SCHOOL Dress Code and Uniform 

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## Regent House School

- Circular Road

Newtownards
Northern Ireland
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## DRESS CODE

1. School uniform, as detailed below, must be worn in school, when travelling to and from school, and on other occasions as required when representing the school. Pupils travelling to and from games venues should do so in their school tracksuit.
2. Uniform should be clean and in good repair. Shirts and blouses should be tucked in with top buttons done up. Ties should be properly tied. The School blazer should be worn during class time and when moving from class to class unless permission to remove it is given by a member of staff. Scarves, outdoor coats, fleeces and hats should not be worn indoors.
3. All items of uniform and games uniform must be clearly named.
4. Hair must be clean and tidy and of a reasonable style. For Boys, hair must be no shorter than a 'Number 2' cut and no longer than collar length. Girls, whose hair is shoulder length or longer, may be asked to tie it back or wear a hair net for health and safety reasons. The use of colouring and styling products should be kept to a minimum. Unnatural hair colours are not permitted.
5. A minimal amount of jewellery is permitted. This means a wristwatch and one ring. In addition, girls are allowed to wear one pair of earrings (one plain stud per ear, positioned on the ear lobe). No other piercings are allowed.
6. A minimal amount of make-up is permitted according to the age of the pupil.
7. Nail polish is not permitted.
8. Only School badges or those of accredited organisations should be worn.
9. No visible tattoos are permitted.
10. Boys must be clean shaven.
11. The Headmaster will be the final arbiter in all issues relating to the Dress Code.

## UNIFORM

Pupils are required to comply with the current regulations, which will be strictly enforced. Uniform is expensive, but it is sensible and practical and, with care, can be made to last for some time. Parents are urged not to incur extra and unnecessary expense by purchasing items that do not meet the school's requirements.

## All items of uniform and games uniform must be clearly named with washable name tapes - no biro markings.

## GIRLS' UNIFORM

| Blazer | school blazer (green) with badge |
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| Skirt | school skirt, Regent House bottle green (knee leng |
| Blouse | pale green school blouse only (summer blouse available) |
| Tie | official school tie |
| Cardigan/pullover | bottle green - not long or chunky knits |
| Socks | fawn plain knee length socks may be worn in September and/or Summer Term. At all other times bottle green tights must be worn. |
| Shoes | plain black leather/leather look - no fashion shoes (see below for examples) <br> - Years 8-12: flat/low heeled - (maximum heel height 4cms, measured on outside of heel). <br> - Years 13-14: flat/low heeled - (maximum heel height 5 cms , measured on outside of heel). |
| Overcoat | dark green outdoor coat with school crest, no other coat acceptable |
| Scarf | official school scarf only |
| Jewellery | only one plain signet ring and a wristwatch |
|  | one pair of plain stud earrings may be worn |
| Make-up | should not be worn in school - no nail polish |

BOYS' UNIFORM

| Blazer | black with badge <br> Trousers |
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| black - normal school style |  |
| Shirt | white only |
| official school tie |  |
| Pullover | plain grey V-necked style or school pullover - no round-necked <br> sweat shirts |
| Socks | must be plain black |
| Shoes | must be plain black leather <br> not suede or patent leather - no boots <br> black Peter Storm or black jacket with school crest (available <br> from Alan Espey) <br> Overcoat |
| Scarf | official school scarf only <br> only one plain signet ring and a wristwatch |
| Jewellery |  |

## PHYSICAL EDUCATION AND GAMES UNIFORM

| Kit | Male | Female |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| PE | White RHS polo shirt White shorts Plain white socks Training Shoes | White RHS polo shirt RHS black skort Plain white socks Training Shoes |
| Games | House rugby jersey <br> (Years 8-11) <br> *RHS Jersey <br> RHS T-shirt <br> (Years 12-14) <br> Plain black rugby shorts <br> RHS rugby socks <br> Training shoes <br> Rugby/Soccer boots <br> RHS smock top <br> RHS stadium pants <br> Gum Shield | White RHS polo shirt RHS black skort Red RHS sports socks Training shoes RHS smock top RHS stadium pants Gum Shield |

* If boys are selected to participate in a school team they will need to purchase the playing jersey.

New Year 8 boys will be informed of their House on the New Intake night.
House rugby jersey colours:
Clandeboye - Yellow
Strangford - Blue
Castlereagh - Black
Scrabo - Green
All girls' hockey and netball team players will be required to wear the new RHS team shirt.

The RHS smock top and stadium pants, RHS polo shirt, senior boys RHS t-shirt, boys rugby jersey, boys hockey shirt and girl's hockey/netball RHS team shirts can only be bought at In Sport in Newtownards and Roberts of Bangor. The other items of kit can be purchased at most Regent House uniform suppliers.

It is essential that all items of clothing and equipment are clearly labelled with pupil's name and form.

Please note that pupils are not permitted to participate in PE or Games with body piercings. All piercings must be removed as a matter of health and safety.

Aerosol deodorants are not permitted in the PE changing rooms owing to the adverse effects that these can have on pupils with asthma and other associated breathing conditions.

## AVAILABILITY

The full uniform for boys and girls is stocked by:

## Newtownards

Alan Espey
Select Kidz
D Crawford

## Bangor

Roberts Schoolwear
James Baillie.

EXAMPLES OF SUITABLE SHOES FOR BOYS


EXAMPLES OF SUITABLE SHOES FOR GIRLS


Please note: the following do not conform to school regulations and must not be purchased to be worn with school uniform:

- shoes with stiletto, kitten or narrow wedge heels;
- shoes with decorative additions;
- platform shoes;
- suede or patent leather shoes;
- canvas or other textile shoes;

In recent years ballet pumps have been popular. From experience we have found that these shoes tend to lack the necessary support/sturdiness to last for any appreciable length of time. We would therefore advise against purchasing this type of shoe.

Parents of pupils whose shoes do not conform to school regulations will be asked to purchase new shoes immediately.

