

## **School Uniform Policy**

Comeragh College is very proud of its students and the school uniform, which clearly identifies and distinguishes them. Our school uniform is a huge part of our identity as a community of learners. The students of Comeragh College wear their uniform with pride and honour. The manner in which students present and conduct themselves while in uniform reflects significantly on the public image of Comeragh College. Therefore, students wearing our uniform should always be conscious that they represent the entire school community, and as such, their conduct, attitude and manners should reflect our school principles and values (school ethos).

There are many advantages of school uniforms, for example:

- A school uniform instils pride, a sense of belonging and a community feeling in our school.
- It makes it much easier for staff and the public to recognise a student belonging to Comeragh College also to recognise others who do not belong on our school campus.
- Wearing the school uniform reduces social snobbery and peer pressure in school.
- It removes the incidence of inappropriate dress in school.
- It helps our students to learn better as it removes a major source of distraction.

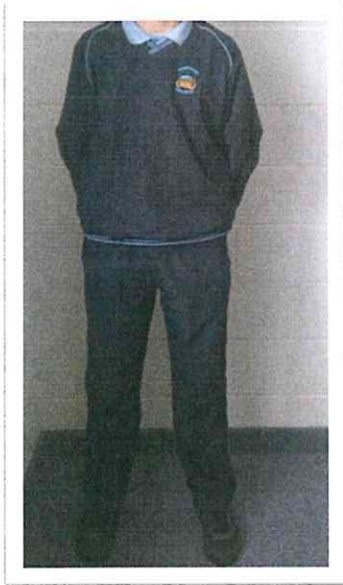
A lot of hard work, research, time and collaboration have gone into choosing the uniform for Comeragh College Parents and guardians are asked to show their support for Comeragh College by fully co-operating with the school in ensuring that all students **wear the full school uniform to and from school every day.**

Below is the current school uniform for Comeragh College, which is compulsory for all students attending our school:

<i>PE Uniform</i>	<i>School Uniform</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>✓ School tracksuit and runners- new 2018/19.</li><li>✓ School tracksuit and runners- older version 2017</li><li>✓ Own PE clothes for PE class only</li><li>✓ Proper sports runners for PE. White Sole compulsory (no casual runners, runner boots...etc.)</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>✓ Light Blue shirts</li><li>✓ Navy Blue, crested V-Neck jumper</li><li>✓ Navy straight leg trousers</li><li>✓ School Tie</li><li>✓ Navy/black 'Dubarry' style shoes (boys &amp; girls) (see pictures on following pages)</li><li>✓ Plain black/navy leather shoes (for boys)</li></ul>

**PE Uniform:** (Items shown are samples with the Comeragh College crest)

1. Existing tracksuit can be worn for 2018/19
2. New O'Neill tracksuit will be available for 2018/19
3. Students also have the option to wear school uniform and change into their own pe clothes for PE class only.



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**Footwear**

Please check the following pictures of shoes that will or will not be allowed to be worn with the uniform. Parents/guardians are advised to check with the school if they are unsure BEFORE purchasing any footwear. On days where students are wearing a tracksuit to school. They must wear School leather shoes for all practical subjects for health and safety grounds.

The following types of shoes are permitted to be worn by students:

**Navy 'Dubarry' Style deck shoes for girls (also optional for boys)**



**Plain black leather shoes for boys**



**The following types of shoes are NOT permitted to be worn by students:**



**The above list of shoes is not exhaustive. Please contact the school if you  
Are unsure before purchasing footwear.**

### **Suppliers of the official School Uniform:**

Alternative brands to *Dubarry* are allowed provided that they are a similar in style. *Dubarry* are simply cited as an example of the style of shoe.

## **Uniform Code**

The school uniform is hugely important in Comeragh College and **can** be inspected every morning. Please read the following very carefully. This uniform code will be implemented in the context of our Code of Conduct.

- ✓ All students are required to wear the full school uniform (as described in this document) **to, from and during** school every day. This includes the correct school footwear and official school tie.
- ✓ Students should change out of their school uniform as soon as they get home in the evening in order to preserve the quality of the uniform.
- ✓ Students should always be aware that they represent our school when wearing the school uniform (even outside of normal school hours). Any poor conduct whilst wearing our school uniform has a potential impact on the image of Comeragh College and **may** result in disciplinary consequences (in accordance with our Code of Conduct).
- ✓ It is expected that the uniform is kept clean and maintained to the highest standards and that students wear it with pride.
- ✓ Students should also maintain high standards of personal hygiene at all times.
- ✓ All students are required to wear the full school uniform when representing the school on school trips/activities. Any student who is does not present in the appropriate uniform will not be permitted to represent the school or go on the school trip/outing.

- ✓ On occasion, the P.E. uniform **may** be permitted for sporting outings. Parents will be informed in advance when this is deemed necessary. Once again, students who are not dressed in the appropriate school P.E. uniform/ school uniform will not be permitted to travel.
- ✓ Shoes must be kept clean and polished.
- ✓ Any T-shirts worn must not be visible under the school uniform. Shirts must be buttoned up to the collar. The school tie must be worn at all times.
- ✓ During the school day, Non-uniform items of clothing must be stored in the locker. Such items can be confiscated and parents/guardians will be contacted to arrange a meeting to return the confiscated item.
- ✓ Facial piercings are not allowed.
- ✓ The wearing of jewellery for all students is limited to a wristwatch, a small ring on one hand, and a small pair of stud earrings. Health and safety regulations mean that jewellery is prohibited in certain lessons e.g. Home Economics, Material Technology Wood, P.E., etc., as it constitutes a risk. Students should not wear jewellery on days when they have these subjects as there is no facility in the school for staff to 'mind' jewellery.
- ✓ It is the responsibility of each parent/guardian to ensure that each item of their son/daughter's uniform is labelled clearly with their name. A waterproof marker should be used.
- ✓ Students are responsible for their own property.

### **Important Notes:**

1. It is imperative that all students comply fully with our uniform code. On the occurrence of an isolated incidence where a student is unable to wear their correct uniform, parents/guardians should write an explanatory note in the notes section of the student's diary. The student should present this note to their Year Head before their first morning class. In the case where the school has a stock of the missing item of uniform, the student will be loaned the item for the day.
2. The school will send a maximum of 2 letters to parents/guardians to inform them if their son/daughter is not complying fully with the uniform code. This gives parents/guardians an opportunity to address the issue. Persistent infraction of the uniform code will result in the parent/guardian being contacted to come and take the student home until they comply fully.
3. Parents/guardians should contact the school if they are experiencing difficulty in acquiring the uniform.