



Uniform Guide 2025-26

Years 7 - 11

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“At Devonport High School for Boys we believe that a smart, tidy and business like appearance is very important for all our pupils. It is our view that a sloppy appearance is the sign of a casual approach and we would like all our pupils and parents to appreciate the part that uniform plays in contributing to the ethos and reputation of a school. We also want our pupils to be ready for the expectation of future employers and the world of work. This is why the wearing of school uniform is compulsory and why we expect all pupils to adhere to our rules.”

School Uniform list

Single-breasted bottle green blazer embroidered with the school badge.	Compulsory	Available to order on MyChildAtSchool. (Also available from The Uniform Company (PL2 3PG) & The Schoolwear Shop (PL1 1SD))
House school tie.	Compulsory	Available to order on MyChildAtSchool.
White shirt. Long or short sleeved.	Compulsory	Widely available.
Charcoal grey trousers of a traditional design (not skinny trousers, jeans or trousers with pockets on the legs).	Compulsory	Widely available.
Plain, dark-coloured socks.	Compulsory	Widely available.
Black polishable shoes (not trainers, boots, skate shoes or shoes designed for leisure wear).	Compulsory	Widely available.
Charcoal grey V-necked jumper (to be worn with the blazer).	Optional	Available to order on MyChildAtSchool / widely available.

Please pay particular note to the style of shoe and trousers that are part of DHSB's uniform as some shops (mainly sports shops) sell items in school uniform sections that are not permissible at this school. Only official DHSB school badges are permitted.

Please make yourself aware of the rules and expectations on the following page. These standards must be strictly adhered to by all students.

All students are expected to wear their uniform correctly and with pride. Ties must be worn at a suitable length with the top shirt button done up and the shirt tucked in. All items of clothing must be clearly marked with the owner's name – please check regularly that the name is still visible.

The school cannot accept any responsibility for loss of property or injury incurred by students having inappropriate dress or footwear.

Students not wearing the correct uniform may be removed from lessons at the discretion of Senior staff until the uniform issue is rectified, usually by the correct item being brought into school for them.

► **Blazers** – The school blazer is to be worn at all times, unless permission is given for it to be removed. We discourage students from wearing any non-uniform clothing such as coats* sweatshirts, hoodies, etc. and if these are worn they must be removed upon entry to the school buildings. *weather permitting.

► **Trousers** – Trousers must be charcoal grey, traditional/ formal style tailored school trousers. Other styles such as skinny trousers, jeans or trousers with pockets on the legs are not permitted. Please ensure that trousers conform to the style required before purchasing. If a belt is worn it should be plain black.

► **Collared Shirt and Tie** – Shirts must be worn tucked in with all the buttons done up right up to the neck underneath the House School tie, which must be tied appropriately.

► **Jumpers** – The school's charcoal grey jumper is an optional item that may be worn in addition to the school blazer. Jumpers not purchased from the school shop are permitted but they must be charcoal grey, V-necked (so that the school tie is visible) and of a tight knit appearance. Round neck jumpers or cardigans are not permitted.

► **Shoes** - Shoes must be completely black, with no white or coloured markings whatsoever and any laces must be black. They must be leather-look/polishable. Trainers, boots, skate shoes, shoes designed for leisure wear, sports branded, suede or canvas shoes are not permitted.

► **Coats** - Outdoor coats must be removed when entering the classroom. Hoodies and round neck jumpers must not be worn instead of a coat.

► **Face and Head Coverings** - For reasons of security and health and safety, no hats, helmets or hoods should be worn in the school buildings (unless with permission of the Head Teacher). Turbans may be worn on religious grounds only and should be black or bottle green in colour.

► **Jewellery** – Jewellery and piercings are not permitted.

► **Hair** - If longer than collar length, hair must be tied back in situations where it could cause a danger to the individual or others, such as in PE and other practical lessons. Extreme fashion hairstyles and colours are not allowed. Hair must be natural colours only.

► **Make-up** - Students may apply 'light touch' make-up if they wish to do so. Students should not wear nail polish of any colour. Ultimate decisions as to the appropriateness of make-up will be determined by a member of the Pastoral Team. Make-up should not be applied during the school day.

► **Specialist Clothing** - Some subjects will require specialist clothing, such as aprons, laboratory coats and goggles. Students are to wear the required specialist clothing when directed by staff.

Shoe guide

Shoes must be completely black, with no white or coloured markings whatsoever and any laces must be black. They must be leather-look/polishable. Trainers, boots, skate shoes, shoes designed for leisure wear, sports branded, suede or canvas shoes are not permitted.

Please use this guide when purchasing school shoes.

Examples of acceptable styles (not an exhaustive list):



Examples of unacceptable styles (not an exhaustive list):



Sports kit

Fortis T-shirt	Compulsory	Available to order on MyChildAtSchool or from www.vx-3.com
Football shorts or Rugby shorts	Compulsory	Available to order on MyChildAtSchool or from www.vx-3.com Available from www.vx-3.com
Long socks (black)	Compulsory	Available to order on MyChildAtSchool or from www.vx-3.com
Mouthguard for Rugby and Hockey	Compulsory	Available to order on MyChildAtSchool / widely available.
Shinpads for Football	Compulsory	Widely available.

Fortis Hoody	Optional	Available from www.vx-3.com
Fortis Half zip sweat top	Optional	Available from www.vx-3.com
Fortis Rain jacket	Optional	Available from www.vx-3.com
Tracksuit trousers (Skinny "Primus" or Tapered "Braca" fit)	Optional	Available from www.vx-3.com
Bobble hat	Optional	Available from www.vx-3.com

DHSB Sports bag	Optional	Available to order on MyChildAtSchool.
Boot bag	Optional	Available from www.vx-3.com

The school's official sports kit supplier is VX3. Items of the school's sports kit are to be ordered online from VX3 www.vx-3.com.

Only official DHSB badged sports kit made by VX3 (or the school's previous sports kit supplier O'Neills) are permitted to be worn in sports lessons or when representing the school at sports fixtures & competitions apart from the following exceptions:

- Long socks not purchased from VX3 may be worn as long as they are entirely black. For indoor or summer sports white (above the ankle) sports socks may be worn.
- Track trousers not purchased from VX3 may be worn as long as they comply with the following guidelines: They must be plain black with no stripes, large logos or text on them. One small logo on the front pocket area is acceptable.
- Pupils may wear baselayers underneath their sports kit which can be of any brand, however they must be black.



Guidance on footwear requirements for school sport facilities

Creekside 3G Artificial Grass Pitch

It is important for safety that shoes worn on the 3G Pitch have suitable grip on the surface to avoid unnecessary slipping. To protect & maintain the high quality playing surface, approved footwear must be worn at all times to minimise the risk of damage.

The only footwear permitted on the 3G Pitch are:

- Football boots with round plastic/rubber moulded studs (No metal studs or blades). Boots specifically designed for artificial grass (usually labelled as “AG”) offer the best performance.
- Astroturf trainers (with a dimpled sole).
- Trainers with suitable grip (Astroturf trainers are safer).

No metal studs, blades of any material or spikes may be worn on the pitch. All footwear must be clean and free of mud and grass before going on to the 3G pitch to avoid contamination of the surface. Any pupil with incorrect footwear will not be able to participate in activities taking place on the 3G pitch.

Examples of suitable footwear for the 3G pitch



Football boots with round plastic moulded studs



Astroturf Trainer (rubber sole with dimpled profile)

Watergate Hockey Pitch

It is important for safety that shoes worn on the Hockey pitch have suitable grip on the surface to avoid unnecessary slipping. To protect & maintain the high quality playing surface, approved footwear must be worn at all times to minimise the risk of damage.

The only footwear permitted on the Hockey pitch are:

- Astroturf trainers (with a dimpled sole).
- Trainers with suitable grip (Astroturf trainers are safer).

No footwear with studs, blades or spikes may be worn on the Hockey pitch. All footwear must be clean and free of mud and grass before going on to the pitch to avoid contamination of the surface. Any pupil with incorrect footwear will not be able to participate in activities taking place on the Hockey pitch.

Example of suitable footwear for the Hockey pitch



Astroturf Trainer (rubber sole with dimpled profile)

Other Footwear required for Sport

- Indoor Sports – Trainers with a non-marking sole.
- Outdoor Sports on natural grass pitches – Football / Rugby boots with studs.

Sports footwear may be any colour.

Purchasing Uniform and Sports kit items

School Uniform

School Uniform (Blazers, Ties, Jumpers, Sports bags, Mouthguards) can be purchased by credit or debit card via your MyChildAtSchool login.

During term time, items ordered by 09:00 each Friday are usually sent out to your child in school by the following Monday.

The Uniform Shop can be contacted by email on: shop@dhsb.org

If you need to return or exchange an item purchased from the Uniform Shop please return it to Student Reception within 28 days of receipt including details of if you require an exchange or refund. Any item must be returned in un-worn, brand new condition with all labels/tags still attached.

Sports Kit

The school does try to keep a stock of the compulsory items of sports kit ie. T-shirts, shorts and socks which are available on MCAS (if we have them in stock). We do not keep stock of any of the other optional VX3 items (eg. hoodies, track trousers etc) so you will need to order these items directly from VX3 as per the details below. If the compulsory item you require isn't shown as being available on MCAS then please order it directly from VX3 as they hold far greater stock levels than the school, so this will be the quickest way to get the item you require.

Sports kit can be purchased directly from the VX3 online shop. Go to www.vx-3.com, select "Club shops" at the top of the page, then "Education clubshops" and then find the Devonport High School for Boys section or click on the link below.

<https://vx-3.com/collections/devonport-high-school-for-boys>

Please be aware that VX3 operate a no returns or exchanges policy as all of our items are embroidered to order for you. Size guidance for VX3 kit is included further down this document. The school's Uniform Shop is separate to VX3 and cannot accept any returns or exchanges of VX3 items ordered from the VX3 website.

Compulsory items of uniform



Green blazer
£37.50 / £44



House tie
£7.50

Optional item of uniform



School jumper with embroidered badge
£19 / £21

Prices may be subject to change without notice

Blazer measuring guide

How to measure your chest

Measure around the fullest part of the chest, making sure that the tape is level under the arms and across the shoulder blades. Make sure you are relaxed when measuring to get a true measurement. If you measure as 30" (or 76cm) then your blazer size will be a size 30".

Find the correct length

Measure from the top of the shoulder (highest point) to where you feel the blazer would sit when worn.

How to measure the sleeve length

Start from the shoulder point to where the sleeve would normally fit.



TO FIT CHEST (Inches)	26"	28"	30"	32"	34"	36"	38"	40"	42"	44"
Chest (cm)	66	71	76	79	86.5	91.5	96.5	102	107	112
Sleeve (Crown to cuff)	47.5	52	56.5	58.5	62	63.5	65	65.5	66	66.5
Length (cm)	54	59	64	66.5	73	75	77	78.5	79.5	80

School jumpers

In our experience students require one or two sizes up from their blazer size as the jumpers are quite slim fitting, ie. If you are ordering a 30" blazer we would recommend ordering a 32" or 34" jumper.

Compulsory items of sports kit



T-shirt
£17 / £20



Football shorts
£11 / £14

or



Rugby shorts
£17 / £20



Sports socks
£5 / £6



Opro Silver mouthguard
*(A mouthguard can be purchased
from elsewhere)*
£12

Optional items of sports kit



Half zip top
£27 / £32



Hoody
£27 / £32



Rain jacket
£27 / £32



Primus skinny track trousers
£21 / £27



Braca tapered fit track trousers
£28 / £34



DHSB sports bag
£35



Boot bag
£10



Bobble hat
£17

Prices may be subject to change without notice

VX3 sports kit size guide

Please be aware that Youth sized items (SY, XLY, MY, LY) are measured by height. Adult sized items (XS, S, M, L, XL, 2XL, 3XL, 4XL) are based on chest and waist measurements.

YOUTH SIZES

SIZE	CHEST		HEIGHT	
	<i>cm</i>	<i>inch</i>	<i>cm</i>	<i>feet</i>
LY	73 - 77 cm	29 - 30"	138 - 144 cm	4'6" - 4'9"
XLY	78 - 82 cm	31 - 32"	145 - 158 cm	4'9" - 5'2"

ADULT SIZES

SIZE	CHEST		WAIST	
	<i>cm</i>	<i>inch</i>	<i>cm</i>	<i>inch</i>
XS	64 - 84 cm	25 - 33"	57 - 68 cm	22 - 27"
S	85 - 93 cm	33 - 37"	69 - 80 cm	27 - 31"
M	94 - 101 cm	37 - 40"	81 - 92 cm	32 - 36"
L	102 - 110 cm	40 - 43"	93 - 100 cm	37 - 39"
XL	111 - 120 cm	44 - 47"	101 - 112 cm	40 - 44"
2XL	121 - 132 cm	48 - 52"	113 - 124 cm	44 - 49"
3XL	133 - 145 cm	52 - 57"	125 - 133 cm	49 - 52"
4XL	146 - 159 cm	57 - 63"	134 - 145 cm	53 - 57"

Second-hand uniform

Second hand uniform is available from [Uniform Store Plymouth](#) which is located at:

93 New George Street, Plymouth City Centre, PL1 1RQ

We would encourage parents to make donations of any uniform which your child no longer needs to Uniform Store Plymouth, who have donation drop-off points at various places around Plymouth. More information on drop-off locations is available on their website.