

## Getting ready for September

We are immensely proud of our Shimna identity, which includes our uniform. Necessarily, rules were relaxed during the pandemic for health and safety reasons. However, from September, we will be reverting to the [College Policy](#) and expect our students to wear the official College uniform at all times during school hours, on journeys to and from school and at school functions. It also includes returning to the practice of requiring students to change into PE kit before and after timetabled lessons.

Our uniform was designed by the founding parents. It is gender neutral, offering a degree of choice within an identifiable uniform, as set out in these pictures:



Please note:

- Plain black shoes should be worn
- Grey (KS3 and KS4 ) or navy blue (KS5) jumpers or cardigans can be worn but hoodies are not permitted
- Plain navy leggings or tracksuit bottoms should be worn for PE
- School skirts should be grey and pleated or straight
- In regards to jewellery, students should wear no more than one stud earring per ear and no more than one ring per hand
- In line with health & safety guidelines, facial piercing items and nail extensions should not be worn in school

Supplies of our uniform can be purchased at Bingham's of Newcastle, Rhoda Stewart of Ballynahinch and Holmes of Kilkeel. We also have a reserve stock of used uniform items, which are in good condition. In keeping with our commitment to recycling, we would gladly accept donations of uniform items which are no longer required.

If you have any questions or require assistance, including financial support, please contact the College at [info@shimna.newcastle.ni.sch.uk](mailto:info@shimna.newcastle.ni.sch.uk)