

Welcome to Brannel School



Welcome to some of our staff



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The School Day

	Mon-Thu	Fri
Building open to students	08.00	08.00
Library open. Breakfast available until 08.45	08.15	08.15
Registration/ tutorial/ assembly	08.55	08.55
Lesson 1	09.20	09.20
Break	10.35	10.20
Lesson 2	10.55	10.40
Lesson 3	12.15	11.45
Lunch	13.30	12.45
Lesson 4	14.00	13.15
End of School Day	15.15	14.20

There are a large number of extra-curricular activities in which students can participate at the end of the school day. All departments will add to a variety of activities to enhance students' time at Brannel School. Information about these will be available from Tutors.

Uniform

Our Uniform and Appearance Policy is intended to ensure that all students are treated the same, regardless of social or economic background. Wearing a school uniform signifies self respect, diligence, pride in the school and a pledge to learn. A smart and distinctive school uniform also helps to reinforce the public perception that a school is high-performing and aspirational.

At Brannel, we are proud of the smart appearance of our students and are very appreciative of the support that parents have given in maintaining the standard of uniform, which has become a feature of the school. We would ask that parents continue to support our drive to improve standards.

Please note that for transition, Year 7 students will not need to wear a tie for the first day of term. These will be provided in their induction packs. Payment for induction packs can be made at the induction evening or in the first week via ParentPay (ParentPay account details will be sent out in September). Students will then be issued with the correct colour tie for their house.

OUTERWEAR



COMPULSORY

Official black school blazer with school logo. This is available from our approved uniform supplier. In inclement weather, students may wear additional weatherproof overcoats.



NOT ALLOWED

Non-school hoodies, sweatshirts or jumpers are not to be worn on the school premises. Our optional school jumper is available from our approved uniform supplier.



NOT ALLOWED

Hats and scarves are not to be worn on the school premises.

SCHOOL SHIRT



COMPULSORY

Plain white, button-up cotton shirt with long or short sleeves and regular collar.

The shirt must be worn tucked in to trousers or skirt waistband.

White slips, t-shirts or vests can be worn under the shirt but should not be visible below the hem of the shirt, at the neck or at the sleeve. Underwear should not be of a colour that shows through the shirt.



NOT ALLOWED

Polo or sports-style shirts or shirts in any colour other than plain white.



SCHOOL TIE

COMPULSORY

Official Brannel School clip-on tie over white shirt with regular collar.



SCHOOL JUMPER

OPTIONAL

Official black, V-neck jumper with red trim – available from Macron.



OPTIONAL

Plain black ~~v-neck~~ cardigan or jumper.



NOT ALLOWED

Hoodies, sweatshirts or jumpers which are not approved school uniform are not to be worn on the school premises.

SCHOOL TROUSERS, SKIRT AND SHORTS



COMPULSORY

EITHER black tailored trousers or black tailored shorts. Trousers must sit smartly at the waist and on the ankle at the shoe line.

OR the pleated plaid Brannel School skirt available from our approved uniform supplier.



NOT ALLOWED

Jeans, jeggings, leggings, tracksuit, drainpipe or skinny-fit trousers, cargo-style trousers, chinos or non-tailored shorts e.g. cut-off jeans.

Trousers should not feature any fashion/designer buttons, belt buckles, zips or studs.

SCHOOL SOCKS



COMPULSORY

Plain black socks or tights. No long socks are to be worn above the knee.



NOT ALLOWED

White or sports-type socks.



NOT ALLOWED

Patterned or coloured socks or tights.

SCHOOL SHOES



COMPULSORY

Smart black, flat, polishable (e.g. leather) shoes. These may be slip-on, buckle, Velcro, or black lace-ups.



NOT ALLOWED

Dr Marten boots or heavy working /walking boots.



NOT ALLOWED

Any plimsolls, baseball- or skate-type canvas shoes or trainers. Any footwear with visible branded labels.



NOT ALLOWED

Any shoes with heels above 2.5cm. Heels must not be stiletto.



NOT ALLOWED

Any sandals, flip flops or open toe shoes or boots.

JEWELLERY AND HAIRSTYLES



ACCEPTABLE

Small, plain gold or silver studs in the **ear lobe**, with a maximum of one stud per ear.



NOT ALLOWED

Rings, bracelets and necklaces are not to be worn in school for Health and Safety reasons.



NOT ALLOWED

Spiked studs, nose studs, ear stretchers, body piercings and any other related jewellery.

It is not acceptable for pupils to conceal piercings with plasters. The wearing of a retainer in a piercing is not acceptable.



NOT ALLOWED

Highlights, dyes or ombre which are not a natural colour. Hair accessories must be sensible and black. Shaved heads, 'tram-lines' or decorated scalps. Eyebrow shavings.



NOT ALLOWED

Coloured nail varnishes and false nails.



NOT ALLOWED

Heavy make-up and false eyelashes.

PE Kit – Essential Items
Available from our approved uniform supplier



OR



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PE Kit – Optional Items
Available from our approved uniform supplier



Equipment

Required for the first day

- **Fantastic Futures Passport to return to tutors**
- **Water bottle**
- **PE kit in a named PE bag**
- **Bus pass (issued by Cornwall Council over the Summer)**

Provided in September

- **Induction Pack including: black pens, purple pen, red pen, pencil, ruler, eraser, scientific calculator, independent learning folder and exercise book.**
- **Proximity Card**
- **Timetable**

Your child may also wish to bring additional stationery, such as highlighters, glue sticks and colouring pencils.

[Any Questions?](#)

On the following page is a list of frequently asked questions. If you still can't find the answer to a question that you have, you may want to refer to the school website.

Alternatively, our main office deals with all our enquiries. Mrs May Matthews is our Office Manager and along with her team will be able to support you. Please email enquiries@brannel.com should you require assistance. We would be delighted to hear from you.

Frequently asked questions moving from Year 6 to Year 7.

Q: Will I be with my friends?

A: You will **find out your tutor group on Transition Day**, but we always put you in a tutor group with someone your Year 6 teacher says you want to be with. You are likely to be with people you know from your school in lessons, but these may not be your best friends.

Q: What happens if I forget my PE kit?

A: You can borrow kit from the sports hub. At break or lunch, you can go to reception and call home to see if someone can bring it in for you. You can get a locker from reception, for £5 per year, to keep coats and PE kits in.

Q: Is Brannel school strict on uniform?

A: Yes, we expect all students to be in correct full school uniform. If you do forget anything your tutor can give you a uniform card for the day. You will get your house tie as part of your induction pack.

Q: The school is big, what happens if I get lost?

A: In September, there will be **staff to meet and greet you** and show you where to go and you will be given a tour by your tutor. On our website there are 360-degree photos of each wing to help you find your way around; each wing has a colour and a subject. The school is easy to get back to reception and all rooms have their room number on. If you are unsure of where you are, ask someone to help you.

Q: How do I know about homework?

A: All homework is set through Satchel and Teams. Students will be shown how to use these programmes in IT lessons. They can be downloaded as an app for quick checking. Parents can also download the parent version of Satchel to keep an eye on what their child is being set. If you ever forget homework you need to see that teacher as soon as possible and they will discuss with you.

Q: What if I'm/my child is upset at school?

A: They can talk to their tutor or teacher. Pastoral staff are available in the Discover wing and are happy to support all children. We ask for children to see pastoral at break and lunchtimes where possible however, the pastoral team are happy to see a child during lesson time if a child is distressed.

Q: What if another child is unkind to me/ my child?

A: Students should see their tutor, head of year or pastoral team. We will support the students to get this resolved as fast as we can. It is important for pupils to talk to staff about any problems they might have.

Q: When will I find out about my transport to school?

A: Parents will receive a letter from County Transport that tells them where you will catch the bus from each day and what time. Pupils will also be sent a bus pass with this information on it. These should be carried at all times.

Q: How do I pay for my food at school?

A: Hot food is available at break and lunchtimes. In the first week, there will be an early lunch for Year 7. By the end of the first week, you will be given a proximity card which is used to pay for food. Any purchases made before you receive your card will be deducted from your account. Money can be loaded on this via ParentPay or at school. There is a link to ParentPay on the school website. Free School Meals money will be added automatically. To check whether you are eligible for free school meals, please visit www.cornwall.gov.uk/schoolmeals