

THE NEW DOWNE HOUSE UNIFORM SEPTEMBER 2018

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

How is the new uniform being phased in?

The timeline for the phasing is as follows:

- **September 2018:** All Remove in full new uniform (including new PE kit, see below)
All girls from LIV to LV to purchase new blazer only
- **September 2019:** All new Remove, new LIV and existing LIV in full new uniform and PE kit
- **September 2020:** All Lower School, all new and existing UIV in full new uniform
(all girls, including LV and UV, must have at least one new kilt and one new blouse for formal occasions)
- **September 2021**:** All Lower and Upper School in new uniform (**no old uniform or PE kit to be in circulation)

I have an older daughter in the School - can she pass on her uniform to her sister?

If your daughter is joining in Remove, she is required to dress in the new uniform to match her year group. If she is joining in LIV, UIV or LV she will need a new uniform blazer but can wear her older sister's skirt, blouses and jumpers.

If my daughter prefers the new uniform, can she wear all or part of it?

The overriding principle is for your daughter to wear the same as the rest of her year group, especially for formal occasions and trips, so please refer to the phased plan above.

Will the new blazer be subsidised?

Parents of all new girls in 2018 will purchase the new blazer at normal retail price. However it will be subsidised for existing Lower Fourth to Lower Fifth girls, as the School has been able to place an advance bulk order and these girls will all need a new blazer. The School recognises that this is an additional expense and will contribute approximately 50% to the overall cost.

Can my daughter switch to black socks and tights?

Your daughter should continue to wear green socks or tights unless she is in Remove.



How is the new PE kit being phased in? (Reviewed June 2019)

Timeline:

- September 2018: All Remove in new PE kit (production of old kit to cease)
*New girls in LIV, UIV and LV are able to purchase either existing PE kit or new PE kit. We would recommend the purchase of the new kit for all girls from September 2018 onwards. Existing PE kit may be purchased to replace items until stock runs out for LIV - UV.
- September 2019: Only new sports kit available to buy for all girls

Can my daughter wear her older sister's PE kit?

Unless she is in Remove, your daughter can wear her older sister's PE kit, but for matches she should wear the same kit as her team.

Are the leotard and footless tights compulsory for the Remove and Lower Fourth?

Yes, these are compulsory items.

Can the girls buy their own swimming costume?

Girls should buy the plain black costume available in the School shop to avoid variations in cut, racer backs and logos, and to engender good team spirit.

What can I do with old uniform that is no longer needed?

You can donate your old blazer to the School to be recycled or donated to one of our international link charities. Collection points will be set-up in September when you return for the new School year.

Further questions? Please email foundation@downehouse.net or pick up one of the uniform lists for your daughter's year group in the School Shop.

