



## School Uniform and Presentation

At Taihape Area School, we value the role of a school uniform in encouraging a sense of belonging and school pride.

Our uniform is:

1. compulsory for all students, and wearing it appropriately is a condition of enrolment.
2. the same for all year levels, is gender neutral, and for all seasons.
3. flexible, practical and affordable.

Students are expected to take pride in the presentation of their uniform and to wear it as required. It should be kept clean and tidy. Correct uniform is expected when travelling between home and school, while at school, and when representing our kura at events away from school.

If there is a reason why the uniform cannot be worn correctly, a note explaining this should be given to their Te Whare Hāpai kaiako or member of the Senior Leadership Team, and, if approved, a replacement uniform may be issued for the day. In cases of genuine need, the school can provide some uniform items for students.

We strongly encourage all uniform items to be clearly named so they can be easily returned if misplaced.

Specific uniform items are available from Anna's Home Store and Gifts on Hautapu Street in Taihape. Some stock is also available for purchase from the school office during the year.

Do note that the Board is currently investigating optional alternatives and additions to our current uniform.

### Presentation

*Students are expected to present themselves tidily at all times.*

1. Hair must be clean and tidy. No obviously unnatural hair colours are permitted (eg. pink, green, purple)
  2. Facial hair should be tidy and well-groomed
  3. Small sleepers or studs may be worn in either ear. *Larger earrings are not allowed.*
  4. One small nose stud is permitted. *Nose rings or hoops are not allowed.*
  5. Sunglasses are permitted when outside.
  6. One necklace may be worn as long as safety requirements are met.
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## Day to Day School Uniform

Select preferred items from the following.

<b>Skirt</b>	Tartan single pleat - must be knee length or longer
<b>Trousers</b>	Either: a. Plain completely black trousers that are able to be worn with a belt or b. Navy or black track pants (no large logos, images or branding)
<b>Shorts</b>	Plain completely black school shorts (eg. no jeans, 'trackies', sportswear, faded shorts etc)
<b>Shirt</b>	Either: a. Navy blue polo or b. School PE top
<b>Jersey</b>	Navy blue, V-neck wool
<b>Sweatshirt Polo Fleece</b>	Either: a. Navy blue crew neck sweatshirt or b. School official sports team logoed attire or c. Navy blue polo fleece
<b>Socks</b>	Plain black or white
<b>Footwear</b>	Either a. Plain completely black shoes that cover the whole foot (no 'dance'-types shoes, flip-flops, jandals, no obvious branding), or b. Black sandals or crocs with back strap (without socks). Note that sandals or chocs cannot be worn in technology classes or Science labs
<b>PE gear</b>	School PE top (purchased from the kura) Appropriate black or navy PE gear bottoms to change into and out of - PE classes only
<b>Jacket</b>	Either: a. School Navy Jackets (purchased from School) b. Any plain black or navy blue warm, weather-resistant jacket (no large logos, images and/or branding.)
<b>Scarf</b>	Either: a. Plain black scarf, or b. Woollen navy blue scarf
<b>Headwear</b>	Either: a. Plain black or navy blue hat, cap, beanie or b. Taihape Area School cap or beanie (purchase from School)
<b>Thermals</b>	Either black or navy blue

## Dress Uniform (Number Ones')

*Optional day-to-day for Year 12-13 students, or required when representing the school as requested.  
The Dress Uniform must be worn complete.*

The 'Dress Uniform is to be worn as follows:

1. Skirt or long black trousers
  2. Formal white shirt
  3. School tie (borrowed or purchased from the school office)
  4. School jersey
  5. School blazer (from the school office - can also be hired for the year)
  6. Formal black shoes
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