



Uniform Guidelines



Introduction

The redesign of our Loreto Normanhurst uniform was an extensive and collaborative process. Beginning in 2022, the School engaged respected Australian designer Jonathan Ward to lead the project. Throughout 2023 and 2024, we consulted widely with students, parents, alumnae, staff, and board members to gather feedback on the current uniform and aspirations for the future.

Jonathan conducted in-depth research into our School's history, colours, and traditions, ensuring the new uniform honoured our heritage while supporting the needs of students today. Multiple prototypes were developed and refined through fittings and viewings with students, ensuring each piece was comfortable, practical, and reflective of our School's values.

The result is a trans-seasonal capsule wardrobe that provides students with flexibility, comfort, and choice, while maintaining a sense of pride and belonging.

We are proud to introduce a uniform that truly reflects the spirit of Loreto Normanhurst and our commitment to forming "Women for our Times".



Timeline

Term 3-4 2025

Uniforms available for ordering (uniforms will be ready for collection at the end of Term 4 2025 to be worn for Term 1 2026).

Term 1 2026

Students may wear either the current uniform or the new uniform, but not a combination of both on the same day. This includes using the school backpack that matches either the current or new uniform.

All students participating in Sport will be required to wear the designated uniform items for their team, particularly the specified team shirt.

2026-2027

A two-year transition phase.

Term 1 2028

Full implementation of the new uniform.



Year 5 to 12 Academic Uniform Guidelines

Wearing the Loreto Normanhurst uniform is a visible reflection of a student's sense of belonging, responsibility, and respect - for themselves and for the School. As representatives of the Loreto Normanhurst community, students are expected to wear the uniform correctly and present themselves in a manner that reflects the School's values.

Staff regularly monitor uniform standards, offering guidance and reminders to support students in meeting expectations.

The new uniform is a trans-seasonal, mix and match capsule wardrobe. This curated collection includes:

- **Core Academic Uniform** – This core academic uniform must be purchased and is required for significant school occasions. It is designed to be trans-seasonal, eliminating the need for separate summer and winter uniforms. Families who prefer not to purchase additional items can rely on this core outfit throughout the entire school year.
- **Optional Academic Uniform Items** – These items offer students the freedom to dress according to weather and daily activities. They are designed to complement the core uniform and provide layering options, but are not required for significant school occasions.

The blazer serves as the outer garment at all times.

Families are encouraged to select the combination of items that best suits their daughter's needs.

Core Academic Uniform Items

All students are required to have the following core academic items:

- Blazer
- Hat
- Skirt
- Long and/or short sleeve shirts
- Short black socks
- Knee high black socks or opaque black tights
- School backpack
- Excursion bag
- Black, plain, lace-up school shoes

Significant School Occasions

Students will be notified in advance of occasions that will require the core academic uniform to be worn.

Significant School occasions include but are not limited to:

- Opening School Mass
- Music Festival
- House Liturgies



- Photo Day
- Academic Awards Assemblies
- Year 12 Thanksgiving Liturgy
- Year 12 Graduation Assembly
- Year 7-11 Awards Assembly

On significant School occasions, students must wear their:

- Blazer
- Skirt
- A long or short sleeve shirt
- Short black socks (as advised)
- Knee high black socks or opaque black tights (as advised)
- Plain, black, lace-up school shoes

Students are not allowed to wear:

- Badges apart from official School leadership badges
- Year 12 jerseys, sport jackets or other non-core academic items

On significant School occasions students may also choose to wear:

- A plain white or black ribbon
- Jumper or cardigan
- Tie with the long or short sleeve shirt

Optional Academic Uniform Items

There are a number of optional items students may choose to wear on all days apart from significant School occasions:

- Dress
- Trousers
- Jumper
- Cardigan
- A plain white or black ribbon
- Plain black gloves
- Scarf
- Tie

Rites of Passage Academic Uniform Items

Students may purchase the following items for the below groups only:

- Year 11 and 12 Senior Vest
- Year 12 Jersey

Uniform Guidelines

- All items must be worn with either short black socks, or knee high black socks or opaque black tights. Only Loreto supplied black socks may be worn.
- Students must wear the School hat to and from School year-round, whether walking or using public transport.
- Students must bring their School hat with them each day, even when travelling by car.
- During recess and lunch, students must wear their hat when sitting in direct sunlight. Students without a hat will be asked to sit in shaded or undercover areas.
- The jumper or cardigan may be worn as a layering piece under the blazer but must not be worn as the outer garment outside the School.
- The blazer must be worn as the outer garment in Term 2 and 3 when outside the School.
- Dresses and skirts must be worn at, or immediately below, the kneecap.
- Long and short sleeve shirts must be worn tucked into the skirt or trousers.
- Garments worn under shirts must not be visible through the shirt.
- No other long sleeve tops may be worn if visible under the short sleeve shirt.
- All buttons on the dress must be done up.
- The top button of the shirt may remain undone. If a tie is worn with a shirt, the top button must be fastened.
- School shoes must be black, plain, lace-up and made of leather or a leather-like material. They must have a low, non-chunky heel and be kept polished and in good condition.
- All uniform items must be well maintained and clearly labelled with the student's name.
- Students must use their laptop bag to carry their laptop or essentials at School. No other bags may be used during the school day apart from using the Sport bag to carry PDHPE uniforms to and from PDHPE classes. All other bags must be secured in lockers at all times and not carried around the School or taken to lessons.
- Only the School backpack and School sport bag may be used to carry items to and from School.
- Only the School excursion bag may be used for excursions.

HAIR

- Shoulder length or longer hair must be tied back with a plain neutral coloured hair tie.
- Only black or white ribbons or black hairclips may be worn.
- Hair must be close to the student's natural hair colour and not dyed or cut in an extreme style.

JEWELLERY

Permissible jewellery is:

- A wristwatch.
- A single pair of matching earrings worn in each lower earlobe. Earrings must be:
 - Plain small silver or gold studs (up to 5mm in diameter).
 - Plain white pearls (up to 7mm in diameter).
 - Plain silver or gold sleepers (up to 12mm in diameter and 2mm thick).

Multiple earrings, hoops, dangles, gemstones, plastic coverings, and any nose or tongue piercings are not permitted. Rings, necklaces, and bracelets are also not allowed.

MAKEUP

Makeup is not permitted. This includes:

- Tinted or coloured lip balms.
- Eye makeup such as mascara, eyeshadow, eyeliner, false eyelashes, or eyelash extensions.
- Cheek products including blush, bronzer, or highlighter.

Concealer may be worn but must appear natural.

Tinted or coloured nail polish is not allowed. Enhanced nails, such as acrylic, gel, or similar, are not permitted.

BADGES

Badges are an important part of Loreto Normanhurst's history and culture, symbolising student achievement and involvement. To balance meaningful recognition with the upkeep of the school blazer and requirements for formal photography, the following guidelines apply:

- Only school-issued badges may be worn on the blazer. These include badges for leadership positions, House colours, Loreto Day, Music Festival, and special school events.
- Badges representing external organisations or causes are not permitted.
- For significant School occasions, only school leadership and House colour badges may be worn; all other badges must be removed.

MUFTI DAY GUIDELINES

On mufti days, students are expected to dress appropriately for a school setting. If students are unsure whether an outfit is suitable, it is likely not appropriate. Clothing must be neat, clean and modest. Parents will be contacted if a student is dressed inappropriately.

The following are not permitted:

- Torn or frayed clothing.
- Excessive makeup or jewellery.
- Multiple earrings or body piercings.
- Plunging neck lines, bare shoulders or bare midriffs.
- Visible bras or bra straps (including spaghetti-strap tops or dresses).
- Very short shorts or skirts.
- Clothing with inappropriate writing or graphics.
- Thongs, sandals, Ugg boots, Crocs or slides (fully enclosed shoes must be worn).

Please remember that on mufti days:

- The PDHPE uniform must still be worn for PDHPE classes.
- Drama blacks must be worn for Drama classes.
- Enclosed leather shoes must be worn for all practical lessons in Design and Technology, Hospitality, Food Technology, Textiles, and Science lessons.
- If low-cut trousers are worn, the shirt or top must extend below the waistband.



Outgoing Academic Uniform Guidelines for 2026-2027

In addition to the general guidelines, students wearing the outgoing uniform must adhere to the following:

- The outgoing uniform is seasonal:
 - Summer uniform is worn in Term 1 and 4.
 - Winter uniform is worn in Term 2 and 3.
- The top button of the summer dress must be done up at all times.
- The summer dress must be worn with plain white socks (not sport socks).
- The winter tunic/winter kilt must be worn with:
 - Opaque black tights
 - White long sleeve school shirt with the top button done up
 - School tie



The New Academic Uniform Items

CORE ITEMS		UNIFORM SHOP ONLY	SELF-PURCHASE
BLAZER		✓	
HAT		✓	
SKIRT		✓	
LONG OR SHORT SLEEVE SHIRT*		✓	
SHORT BLACK SOCKS		✓	
KNEE HIGH BLACK SOCKS**		✓	
OPAQUE BLACK TIGHTS**		✓	✓
SCHOOL BACKPACK		✓	
EXCURSION BAG		✓	
BLACK SCHOOL SHOES			✓

* Long and short sleeve shirt: Either ONE of these is compulsory

** Knee high socks and opaque tights: Either ONE of these is compulsory

OPTIONAL ITEMS	UNIFORM SHOP ONLY	SELF-PURCHASE
DRESS 	✓	
TROUSERS 	✓	
TIE 	✓	
JUMPER OR CARDIGAN 	✓	
SCARF 	✓	
SENIOR VEST (YEAR 11 & 12) 	✓	
BLACK GLOVES		✓
WHITE OR BLACK PLAIN RIBBON	✓	✓
YEAR 12 JERSEY	✓	

Sport & PDHPE Uniform Guidelines

The PDHPE uniform is worn during Personal Development, Health and Physical Education (PDHPE) lessons, combining classroom learning with general physical activity. It is also worn on day excursions or during school activities, and for travel on School trips or tours.

The Sport uniform is worn for competitive or Saturday sport, including weekday training sessions and other related activities. Wherever possible, the Sport uniform has been designed to incorporate elements of the PDHPE uniform. However, some sports may require specialised items that are suitable and appropriate only for that specific sport.

Like the academic uniform, the new PDHPE uniform is designed as a trans-seasonal, mix and match capsule wardrobe. Items may be worn year-round, allowing students and families to choose combinations that best suit individual preferences and needs.

Core PDHPE Uniform Items

All students are required to have the following items for PDHPE lessons in Year 5 to 10, as well as for other occasions where the PDHPE uniform is required:

- Sport Polo
- Sport Shorts
- Sport Jacket
- Sport Track Pants
- Sport Socks
- Swimming Costume
- Swimming Cap
- Sport Cap
- Sneakers
- Year 7-12 House Polo Shirt
- Year 5-6 House Patch (to be sewn on Sport Polo Shirt)
- Sport Bag

On day excursions where the PDHPE uniform is required, only the approved uniform items may be worn. No additional or alternative garments are permitted.

House polo shirts are worn at carnivals and other events. Students will be advised in advance when these are required.

Only sport bags or excursion bags are permitted for use at carnivals; other types of bags are not allowed.



Optional PDHPE Uniform Items

The following items may also be worn during practical PDHPE lessons:

- Medium Length Bike Pants or Long Leggings
- Sport Skort
- Quarter Zip Top
- Short Sleeved Rash Top
- Swim Shorts
- Bucket Hat

Other Occasions

Students will be notified in advance of occasions that require the core PDHPE uniform:

- Overnight School trips such as Immersions, Camps, Mary Ward Connect and the Loreto Rural Partnership.
- Regional, interstate and overseas tours.

For these overnight trips, organising staff will inform students which PDHPE or sport uniform items are appropriate. In some cases, optional or training items may also be worn, as advised.

On Field Items

Where possible, the sport uniform has been designed to align with the PDHPE uniform. However, some sports may require specialised items specific to the activity.

Additional uniform requirements—for example, for students selected in Firsts teams or participating in First Nations rounds—will be communicated as needed.

ADDITIONAL SPORT UNIFORM REQUIREMENTS

The lists below outline the required LN uniform items for each sport:

SPORT	UNIFORM ITEMS
AFL	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AFL Guernsey (supplied by Sport staff for season duration) • Multi-Purpose Sport Shorts • Competition Socks (long)
ATHLETICS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Racer Back Singlet (supplied by Sport staff for carnivals only) • Sport Shorts or Bike Pants (any length) or Leggings • Sport Socks
BADMINTON	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Multi-Purpose Sport Tee • Sport Shorts • Sport Socks
BASKETBALL	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Multi-Purpose Sport Singlet with Velcro • Sport Shorts or Skort • Sport Socks
EQUESTRIAN	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sport Polo
FOOTBALL (SOCCER)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Multi-Purpose Sport Tee • Sport Shorts • Competition Socks (long)
HOCKEY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Multi-Purpose Sport Tee • Sport Shorts or Skort • Competition Socks (long)
NETBALL	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Multi-Purpose Sport Singlet with Velcro • Sport Shorts or Skort • Sport Socks
ROWING	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Racing Zootie • Black Training Zootie • Rowing Rash Top • Yellow Rowing Cap (Juniors) or Visor (Inters and Opens)
RUGBY 7s	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rugby Jersey (supplied by Sport staff for season duration) • Multi-Purpose Sport Shorts • Competition Socks (long)
SWIMMING	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Swimming Costume • Swimming Cap
TENNIS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Multi-Purpose Sport Tee • Sport Shorts or Skort • Sport Cap or Visor • Sport Socks
TOUCH FOOTBALL	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Multi-Purpose Sport Singlet with Velcro • Sport Shorts • Bike Pants (short) • Sport Socks
WATER POLO	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Water Polo Swimsuit • Swimming Cap • Water Polo Cap (supplied by Sport staff for season duration)

SPORT TRAINING UNIFORM (UNLESS SPECIFIED DIFFERENTLY FOR INDIVIDUAL SPORTS)

Students may select from the following uniform items for sport training sessions:

- Sport Polo
- Multi-Purpose Sport Tee
- Multi-Purpose Sport Singlet with Velcro
- Sport Shorts
- Sport Skort
- Multi-Purpose Sport Shorts
- Leggings (long)
- Bike Pants (medium)
- Bike Pants (short)
- Sport Track Pants
- Sport Jacket
- Quarter Zip Top
- Sport Socks
- Competition Socks (long)
- Swimming Costume
- Swimming Cap
- Racing or Training Zootie



On Field Uniform Transition Guidelines for Term 4 2025 - 2027

TERM 4 2025

The following new sport uniform items are required for the sports listed:

Rowing

- Racing Zootie
- Black Training Zootie
- Yellow Rowing Cap (Juniors only)
- Yellow Rowing Visor (Inters and Opens only)

Tennis

- Multi-Purpose Sport Tee

Water Polo

- Water Polo Swimsuit

TERM 1 2026

In 2026, all students participating in Sport will be required to wear the designated uniform items for their team, particularly the specified team shirt. This ensures consistent attire across all players which is essential for team identification, cohesion, and compliance with competition guidelines. Uniformity on the field also reflects school pride and maintains the professional standards expected in inter-school sport.

All students in Year 5–11 who participate in the following sports are required to own the designated new sport uniform items:

- Multi-Purpose Sport Tee (Badminton, Football, Hockey, Tennis)
- Multi-Purpose Sport Singlet with Velcro (Basketball, Netball, Touch Football)
- Multi-Purpose Sport Shorts (Rugby 7's & AFL)
- Competition Socks (AFL, Football, Hockey, Rugby 7's)

Students in Year 12 2026 will continue to wear the outgoing sport uniform with the following exceptions:

Rugby & AFL

- Team sets for Rugby & AFL Jerseys are supplied by the Sport department.
- Students are required to purchase the Multi-Purpose Sport Shorts from 2026.
- White shorts will not be permitted in 2026 and beyond.

Water Polo

- All players will need to purchase the new water polo swimsuit for 2026.

Note, Year 12 2026 students will be provided with a shirt for all sports if they do not purchase their own.

2027

No outgoing uniform items are permitted to be worn for Saturday sport from 2027 onwards. Outgoing uniform items are permitted for training.

2028

Only new uniform items will be permitted for all Saturday sport and sport training from 2028 onwards.



General Sport & PDHPE Uniform Guidelines

All students from Year 5 to 12 are required to wear the designated uniform for their selected sport. Please check the sport-specific page on Canvas for detailed uniform requirements. All standard uniform items are available from the Uniform Shop.

For training sessions, students may wear either their designated sport uniform or approved training uniform.

General Requirements

- All sport-specific compulsory protective equipment (e.g. mouthguards, shinpads) must be worn during training and games.
- Appropriate footwear is required for each sport (e.g. football boots for football).
- For PDHPE lessons and sports requiring sneakers, white sport shoes (sneakers) with a leather upper are preferred. Casual or skate shoes are not suitable.
- The Loreto Normanhurst sport cap must be worn during all PDHPE practical lessons and sport training, unless the class teacher or coach advises otherwise for safety or other reasons.
- Students may wear the bucket hat if specifically permitted by staff.

Uniform Boundaries

- No part of the PDHPE or sport uniform is to be worn with the academic uniform. This includes the sport jacket.
- Tote bags or other alternatives are not to be used to carry sport or PDHPE uniforms. Only the School sport bag may be used.

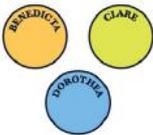
Changing and Travel Guidelines

- All changing for PDHPE lessons and sport training must take place in the gymnasium change rooms.
- Students attending early morning training (e.g. 6:30am or 6:45am start) may arrive at school wearing their Loreto Normanhurst sport uniform but must bring their full academic uniform to change into for the start of the school day.
- If leaving school before 4:00pm, students must change back into their academic uniform before departure, unless they are on an excursion requiring alternative attire.
- Students whose training or activities finish after 4:00pm may travel home in their Loreto Normanhurst sport uniform; however, this must be the core sport uniform, which includes:
 - Track pants and Sport Jacket.
 - Sport shorts or skort with the Sport Polo or Multi-Purpose Sport Tee (Sport Jacket or Quarter Zip Top must be worn over a singlet or crop top).
 - Singlets, crop tops, bike pants, leggings (unless under shorts/skort), or other non-core items are not permitted to be worn as outerwear when travelling to or from School.
- All sport and academic uniform items worn to and from School must be official Loreto Normanhurst uniform items.



The New PDHPE & Sport Uniform Items

CORE ITEMS		UNIFORM SHOP ONLY	SELF-PURCHASE
SPORT POLO		✓	
SPORT SHORTS		✓	
SPORT JACKET		✓	
SPORT TRACK PANTS		✓	
SPORT SOCKS		✓	
SWIMMING COSTUME		✓	
SWIMMING CAP		✓	
SNEAKERS			✓
SPORT BAG		✓	
HOUSE POLO YEAR 7-12		✓	

CORE ITEMS		UNIFORM SHOP ONLY	SELF-PURCHASE
HOUSE PATCH YEAR 5 & 6		✓	
SPORT CAP		✓	

OPTIONAL ITEMS		PDHPE OPTIONAL	SPORT SPECIFIC	UNIFORM SHOP ONLY
QUARTER ZIP TOP		✓		✓
SPORT SKORT		✓		✓
BIKE PANTS (SHORT & MEDIUM)		✓ Medium length only		✓
LEGGINGS (LONG)		✓		✓
BUCKET HAT		✓		✓
SHORT SLEEVE RASH TOP		✓		✓
MULTI-PURPOSE SPORT TEE			✓	✓
MULTI-PURPOSE SPORT SINGLET WITH VELCRO			✓	✓
MULTI-PURPOSE SPORT SHORTS			✓	✓

OPTIONAL ITEMS	PDHPE OPTIONAL	SPORT SPECIFIC	UNIFORM SHOP ONLY
WATER POLO SWIMSUIT 		✓	✓
RACING ZOOTIE 		✓	✓
BLACK TRAINING ZOOTIE 		✓	✓
ROWING RASH TOP 		✓	✓
YELLOW ROWING CAP (JUNIORS) 		✓	✓
YELLOW ROWING VISOR (INTERS & OPENS ONLY) 		✓	✓



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