



Uniform & Equipment Guide

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Silverdale School Uniform and Equipment Guide

At Silverdale, we want every student to feel a strong sense of pride and belonging. Our uniform is modern, comfortable and designed to give students a clear sense of identity while allowing them to feel comfortable throughout the school day.

We know that getting uniform right can sometimes feel complicated. This guide is designed to make it straightforward for students and families to understand what we want students to wear each day.

Our approach

We want uniform to be something that brings our community together. We ask families to work in partnership with us so that students arrive each day looking smart, feeling comfortable and ready to learn.

Our values

Our uniform is part of how we create a shared sense of belonging at Silverdale. It supports our values:

- **Ambition:** taking pride in ourselves and presenting ourselves positively.
- **Belonging:** being part of the Silverdale community and sharing a common identity.
- **Integrity:** making positive choices and taking responsibility for our appearance and belongings.



A partnership with families

Thank you for supporting us with uniform. If you are unsure whether an item is suitable, please contact the school before purchasing it. We would always rather help you make the right choice than have you spend money on something that cannot be worn.

We also recognise that uniform can be an additional cost for families. Our second-hand uniform scheme offers clean, good-quality items in a range of sizes.

Uniform at a glance

The easiest way to think about the Silverdale uniform is: a smart, comfortable and consistent look that allows students to get on with learning.

Item	What we want
Top	School black polo shirt with Silverdale logo.
Warm layer	Black Silverdale sweatshirt, cardigan or uniform hoodie with the school logo.
Bottom	Plain black full-length trousers, black tailored shorts or a plain black skirt.
Footwear	Plain black, flat shoes or trainers with no white/coloured logos, soles or markings.
Coat	A practical outdoor coat suitable for the weather. It should provide protection from rain and cold. Hoodies are not outer coats.
Bag	A school bag large enough to carry an A4 folder.
Equipment	Planner and the everyday learning equipment listed later in this guide.



A useful rule of thumb

If an item looks like everyday sportswear, leisurewear or clubwear rather than school uniform, it is unlikely to be part of our uniform.

Uniform Expectations

The top half

The school polo shirt is a core part of the Silverdale uniform. Students should wear the school black polo shirt with the Silverdale logo.

For additional warmth, students can add one of the following Silverdale uniform layers:

- Black sweatshirt with the school logo.
- Black cardigan with the school logo.
- Black uniform hoodie with the school logo.
- A plain black, long-sleeved layer can be worn underneath the polo shirt.



Uniform Expectations

The bottom half

Students can choose from three options. We want the fit to be smart, comfortable and suitable for a school environment.

Option 1 — Black full-length trousers

Trousers should be plain black, have a fly-zip and pockets. Denim, jeans, jeggings, leggings and cargo-style trousers are not part of the uniform.

Option 2 — Black tailored shorts

Shorts should be plain black, tailored and professional in appearance. Sports shorts, denim shorts and multi-layered shorts are not part of the uniform.

Option 3 — Plain black skirt

Skirts may be straight, A-line or pleated. Lycra or tight-fitting skirts are not suitable. Skirts should not have ruffles or side slits.

Option 1



Option 2



Option 3



Uniform Expectations

Footwear

We want students to be able to move around school safely and comfortably, including during practical lessons. Footwear should therefore be suitable for school and provide reasonable protection.

- Plain black, flat shoes or trainers.
- No white or coloured logos, soles or markings.
- Footwear should be suitable for practical lessons and normal movement around school.
- Please avoid footwear with heels, coloured sections, white soles or decorative features that make it unsuitable for school.



Coats and bags

Coats

Outdoor coats can be any style or colour, provided they are practical and offer protection from the weather, for example by being water resistant. Hoodies that are Silverdale hoodies are not worn as outdoor coats.



Uniform Expectations

School bags

Every student needs a school bag that is large enough to carry an A4 folder and the equipment they need for learning.



Personal Items

Jewellery and piercings

- Studs may be worn.
- Necklaces should be kept out of sight.
- For health and safety reasons, we may ask for jewellery to be removed if it presents a risk.



Watches

Students can wear a basic wristwatch. Smart watches are not permitted



Uniform Expectations

Headwear

Plain religious headwear may be worn where applicable. Other headwear is not worn inside the school building. Hats should be removed when entering the building.



Clothing we don't want to see:



has white soles



has a heel



is not completely black



have a logo and are sport shorts



made out of jean material



has a heel and buckles



has a heel



has a heel



has more than one layer



too tight



has a slit up the side



has ruffles

made out jogger material



tight fitting and not plain



are cargo trousers



made out of jean material

PE Kit

Our PE kit is designed to help students take part comfortably and confidently in physical activity. Silverdale PE kit items are available through our school uniform supplier.

- Black Silverdale PE T-shirt.
- Black Silverdale PE shorts, or the approved black alternatives shown by the school.
- Appropriate sports trainers — a separate pair from school shoes is recommended.
- Additional items such as shin pads or a mouth guard where needed for particular activities.



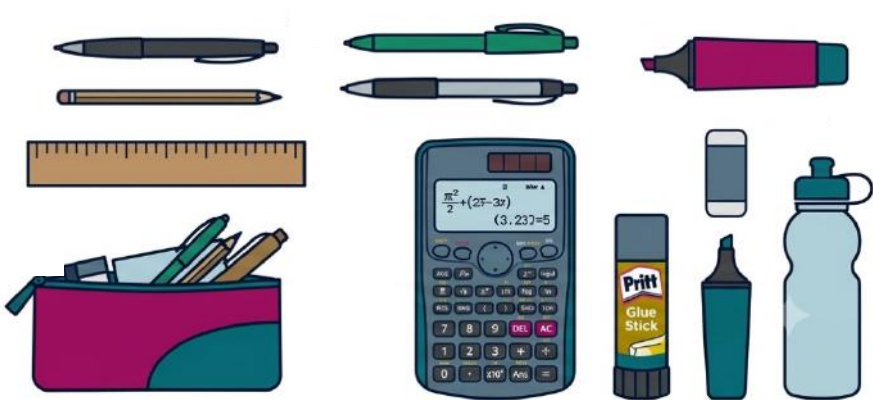
Need help with PE kit?

If you are unsure which item your child needs, please check with the PE department before buying a replacement.

Equipment List

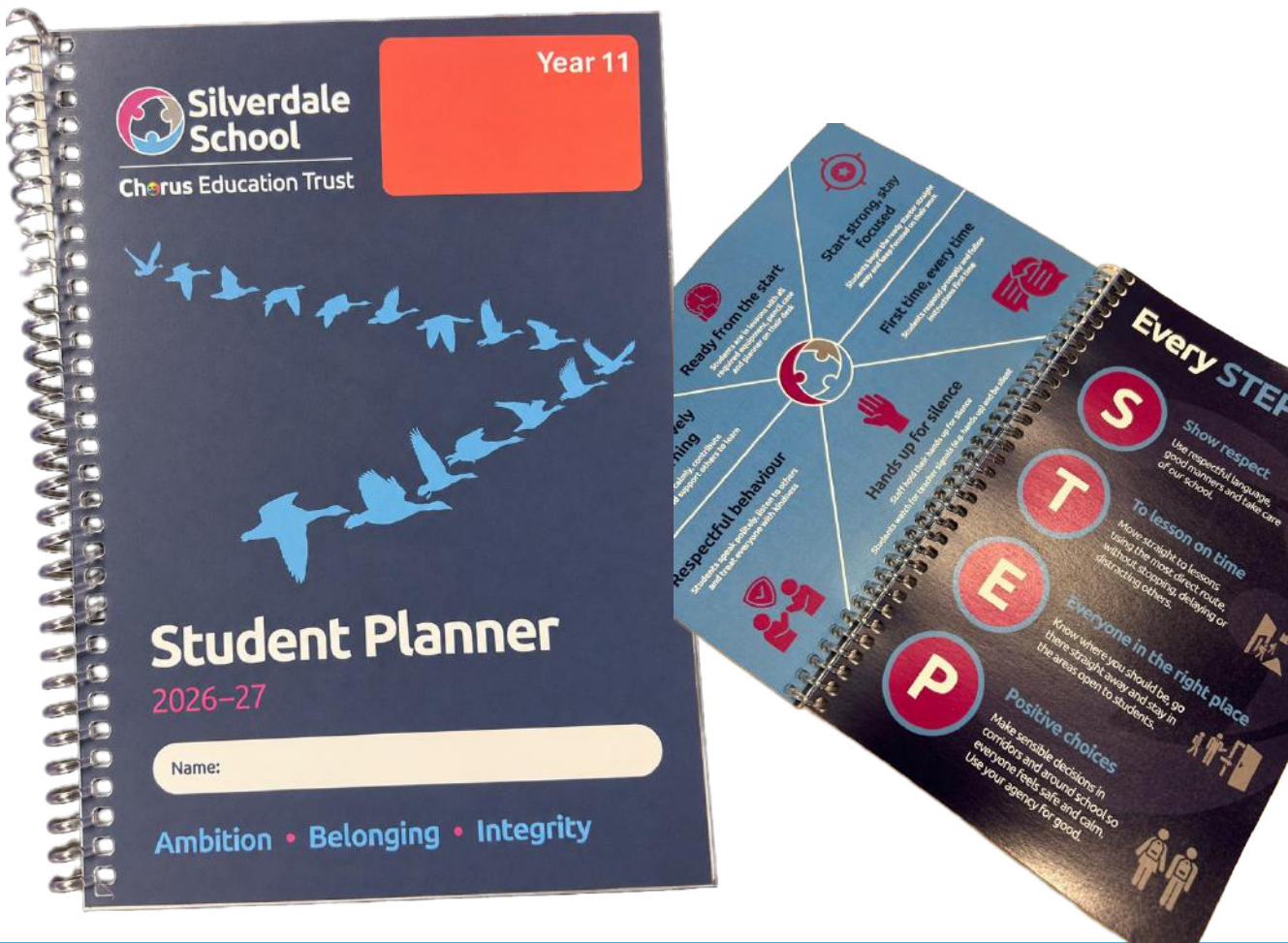
Students are expected to come to school with the correct equipment for learning. Every student must bring to school every day:

- Black or Blue pen
- pencil
- ruler
- pencil case
- green pen
- spare pen
- eraser
- scientific calculator
- glue stick
- Highlighter
- Water Bottle



Student planners

Students are given a Silverdale planner at the start of the year and use it in lessons. Replacement planners can be purchased through ParentPay.



Phone Free Silverdale

At Silverdale, we want our school to be a place where students can learn, connect and belong. For that reason, mobile phones are not part of the school day.

We know that mobile phones are an important part of modern life, and we recognise that they can be useful outside school. However, during the school day, we believe students benefit from having a break from the constant notifications, messages and distractions that phones can bring.

Mobile phones must be turned off and placed in bags upon arrival at school. This must be done at the gate where signs indicate to do so. They must then remain turned off and in bags for the duration of the school day. If a mobile phone is taken out of a bag in lesson time, lesson change over or at social times then it will be confiscated, parents informed, and a behaviour point recorded on MIS. If this is repeated a student will be escalated through the behaviour policy.



At Silverdale, our expectations are built around Ambition, Belonging and Integrity. Putting our phones away is a simple way of showing respect for ourselves, for others and for the learning environment we share.

Phones can wait. Learning, friendships and being part of our community can't.

Where to buy our uniform

Where to buy uniform

New Silverdale school uniform can be purchased through our uniform supplier, The Stitch Factory.

Supplier: <https://schools.stitchfactory.co.uk/silverdale>

Scan the QR code below to go to the supplier's website



Second-hand uniform

We are proud to offer a second-hand uniform and PE kit scheme through school. Items are clean, in excellent condition and available in a range of sizes.

To ask about available items, please contact Angela Jones via the school reception: ajones@chorustrust.org.

Thank you for your partnership

We know that families have different circumstances and that buying uniform can be a significant cost. If you need advice about uniform, sizing or second-hand options, please get in touch. We are happy to help.