

Columba College students wear their school uniform with pride. With its distinctive Black Watch tartan and dark green blazer trimmed with navy blue and green braid and school crest embroidered on the blazer pocket, it instils a sense of identity and belonging for the wearer as well as an awareness of the College's traditions.

Students are expected to wear the school and sports uniforms correctly, to comply with the College's uniform standards and dress codes at all times and to maintain a high standard of appearance and grooming.

SENIOR AND MIDDLE SCHOOL - YEARS 7 TO 13

SUMMER UNIFORM Terms One and Four

Kilt	Black Watch tartan (worn below the knee - mid-calf).
Blouse	White short-sleeved pointed collar blouse.
Hose	Plain white cotton ankle socks.
Shoes	Black leather lace-up school shoes with plain black laces.

WINTER UNIFORM Terms Two and Three

Hose or Socks	Years 7 to 13: Columbine "Ink" panty-hose or above knee dark navy blue woollen socks.
Kilt	Black Watch tartan (worn below the knee - mid-calf).
Blouse	White long-sleeved pointed collar blouse.
Shoes	Black leather lace-up school shoes with plain black laces. (slip on or buckle shoes are not permitted).
Scarf	Black Watch school scarf. (Optional)

GENERAL

Back-pack	Navy blue back-pack. (Compulsory)
Sunhat	Blue - in Terms one and four. (Optional)
Blazer	Dark green blazer. (compulsory)
Jersey	Navy blue long-sleeved jersey. (Optional)
Tie	Black Watch tie. The Year 13 girls wear a special tie available through the School Office.
Umbrella	Plain black, navy blue or dark green. (Optional)

DRESS UNIFORM

Kilt, white long-sleeved pointed collar blouse, Black Watch or senior tie, Blazer.	
Hose	Years 7 to 13: Columbine "Ink" panty-hose or above knee dark navy blue woollen socks.

SPORTS UNIFORM

COMPULSORY	All girls in Years 7 to 13.
Shorts	Navy blue shorts.
Sports Top	Dri-fit navy blue sports top.
Track-suit	Tracksuit for Years 7 to 13 students inclusive. Optional only for new students in Years 12 and 13 who are not taking NCEA PE or not playing in a school sports team off the school premises. (No mixing old/new styles).
Sports Bag	Blue Columba College sports bag .

Socks	Plain white or blue ankle socks.
Gym shoes	Non-marking soled sports shoe.
Bathing Suit	One piece.
OPTIONAL	
Merino Top	Long-sleeved navy blue Merino top.
Hoodie	Long-sleeved navy blue hoodie.
Rugby Jersey	Navy blue and dark green striped rugby jersey.
Tights	Three-quarter navy tights (skins).
Winter Jackets	Navy blue Columba College (fleece lined or rain jacket)

JUNIOR SCHOOL - Years 1 to 6

GIRLS' SUMMER UNIFORM Terms One and Four	
Pinafore	Black Watch tartan.
Blouse	White short-sleeved pointed collar blouses.
Tie	Black Watch tie.
Shorts and Blouse	Navy tailored shorts and pan collared Black Watch tartan blouse and no tie is required. (Optional)
Jersey	Plain navy blue long sleeve. (Strongly recommended)

Hose	Short, plain white cotton ankle socks.
Shoes	Navy blue T-bar sandals or black leather lace-up school shoes with plain black laces or black or navy blue buckle shoes.

GIRLS' WINTER UNIFORM Terms Two and Three

Pinafore	Black Watch tartan. The kilt is optional from Year 3.
Blouse	White long-sleeved pointed collar blouse.
Jersey	Plain navy blue long sleeve. (Strongly recommended)
Hose	Knee-length dark navy blue woollen socks or plain dark navy blue woollen tights.
Shoes	Black lace-up leather school shoes with plain black laces or black or navy blue buckle shoes.
Tie	Black Watch tie.
Scarf	Black Watch school scarf. (Optional)

GIRLS' DRESS UNIFORM

Pinafore, white long-sleeved pointed collar blouse, Blazer, Black Watch tie, knee-length dark navy blue woollen socks.

BOYS' WINTER UNIFORM Terms Two and Three

Shirt	Grey long-sleeved shirt with pointed collar or 1 white long-sleeved shirt with pointed collar for dress occasions.
Shorts	Plain grey winter weight shorts. Long grey pants may be worn but are optional.

Jersey	Plain navy blue long sleeve. (Strongly recommended)
Socks	Knee-length grey woollen socks with navy blue and green bands. Optional: light grey ankle socks may be worn with long grey pants.
Shoes	Black leather lace-up school shoes with plain black laces.
Tie	Black Watch tartan.

BOYS' SUMMER UNIFORM Terms One and Four

Shirt	White short-sleeved shirt with pointed collar with black watch tartan tie. Optional: Grey short-sleeved shirt with pointed collar and no tie is required.
Shorts	Plain grey summer weight shorts.
Socks	Light grey ankle socks or knee-length grey woollen socks with navy blue and green bands.
Shoes	Black lace-up leather school shoes with plain black laces or black or navy blue buckle shoes.
Tie	No tie is required with summer uniform for the optional grey short-sleeved shirt but it is with the white summer and winter shirts and dress uniform.
Jersey	Plain navy blue long sleeve. (Strongly recommended)

BOYS' DRESS UNIFORM

Winter weight grey shorts, white long-sleeved pointed shirt, Blazer, Black Watch tie, Knee-length grey woollen socks with navy blue and green bands.

GENERAL	
Backpack	Columba College back-pack. (Compulsory)
Sunhat	Blue. Compulsory in Terms one and four.
Blazer	Dark green blazer. (Compulsory) Blazer must be worn to and from school with any of the uniform options.
Jersey	Navy blue long-sleeved jersey. (Strongly recommended)
Tie	Black Watch tie. (Compulsory)

SPORTS UNIFORM (Girls and Boys)	
COMPULSORY	
Track-suit	Navy/Green tracksuit. (No mixing old/new styles).
Sports Gear	Navy blue short-sleeved sports top and navy blue shorts.
Sports Bag	Blue Columba College sports bag.
Sports Gear	Plain white ankle socks and gym shoes.
OPTIONAL	
Rugby Jersey	Navy blue and dark green striped rugby jersey.
Merino Top	Long-sleeved navy blue Merino top.
Hoodie	Long-sleeved navy blue hoodie.

General Guidelines

1. Students are expected to wear the correct uniform at all times, including moving to and from school and during school trips when required. Wearing the regulation uniform correctly is a condition of enrolment at Columba College.
2. The uniform is to be clean, tidy and well pressed, with clean and polished shoes. Kilts are to be below the knee - mid-calf is ideal.
3. Uniform is either all summer or all winter; not a mixture of both. Students will comply with direction as to when winter or summer uniform is to be worn.
4. Jerseys and v-necked vests must not be worn on formal occasions or on the street except under blazers.
5. On the street (beyond Oban Street) and in public blazers must be worn buttoned up.
6. Regulation Columba school bags and sports bags only may be brought to school. Bags are stored in locker bays, not carried about the campus, unless authorised by the principal.
7. Occasionally a non-uniform day may be held at school. Clothing suitable and appropriate for school activity must be worn, and guidelines will be given prior to the event.
8. Students may not come to school in sports uniform. Students may not wear sports uniforms in classes other than PE. In some circumstances the principal may authorize the wearing of the school tracksuit and Junior School students must wear full tracksuits, with sports uniforms under this, to and from school on their timetabled sports days.
9. Regulation PE uniform is compulsory for Years 1 to 11. Students in Year 12 and 13 NCEA PE classes must wear the regulation PE uniform. Students in the Year 12 and 13 PE unit (one period per week) may wear non-regulation, but appropriate, clothing.
10. Students who are members of sports teams or groups are expected to wear the uniform presented for each particular group or team.

11. Students travelling for school events must wear either full and correct school uniform, or full and correct tracksuit.
12. Occasionally teams may request to add items of uniform to the standard sports uniform. This will be considered for 'A' teams and those travelling to South Island or National tournaments. Such requests are to come to the principal, in writing using a pro forma template, at least two months in advance. Permitted items are:
 - a. Warm-up tops
 - b. Names printed on the back are to be surname only.
 - c. 'A' teams may have the name of the sport on the arm of long-sleeved tops
 - d. Standard navy jacket for warm up and training (not to be worn as part of school or travelling uniform)
 - e. Accessories may be considered, if they are relevant to the sport and cost-effective. Examples are: Navy backpack suitable for sports gear with the name of the tournament/team and girls' initials; navy cap, navy towel or blanket with monogram.
13. Fingernails are to be kept clean, tidy and free of any polish (including clear polish).
14. Makeup may not be worn with school or sports uniform. This includes eye make-up, tinted moisturiser, and coloured lip gloss.
15. No jewellery may be worn with school or sports uniform. This includes badges (other than school badges), earrings, studs, tongue studs, nose rings, nose studs. It is not permitted to wear plasters over piercings, but one set of clear plastic keepers in the ear lobe is permitted.
16. The College is aware that some students may wish to observe particular religious and cultural requirements while also complying with the school dress code. The Principal or Dean should discuss these requirements with the students and parents to ascertain their cultural and religious significance.
 - i. For example, a taonga or religious pendant may be worn on a chain around the neck, beneath the uniform, and must be removed for sport and PE for health and safety reasons. Any such item will be brought to school at the wearer's own risk. If a Hajib is worn it must be a block colour, preferably navy blue or black.

17. Hair is to be worn in a clean, tidy style, above the collar. If hair is long it must be tied back with hair ties that match hair colour, or navy or green hair ties, or navy blue or Black Watch hair ribbons. Optional Black Watch hairbands and scrunchies are available at the College office. Any other clips or combs must be plain brown or tortoiseshell.
18. Dyeing of hair an extreme colour is not permitted.
19. Procedures for dealing with students who fail to comply with the College guidelines on uniform will be implemented by staff. These may include in the first instance: removal of nail polish and make up; providing hair ties; assistance with sewing hems and buttons; a request that hair be re-dyed to its natural colour.
20. New items of uniform are available from Uniform Group. Second-hand uniform is available through the Uniform Exchange. Some sports uniforms are available on loan; others must be purchased.
21. It is recommended that all items of uniform are clearly labelled, preferably with commercially printed name tags.