



# Marden High School

Ref: AS/MS

2 April 2026

Dear Parent/Carer

## Thank you for choosing Marden High School

I am writing to you to offer you and your child a warm welcome to Marden High School.

We look forward to getting to know you over the next five years and hope to provide an academically challenging, positive and caring environment for your child. I am sure that you are keen to work with us in order to achieve this.

To ensure that your child feels comfortable and happy in making the exciting move to Marden High School we are planning some transition events to take place in June/July 2026. More information will be available about this later in the school year.

We will be working with your child's primary school to gather the relevant information we need to ensure we are able to fully support your child in the new school year.

I have included a [link to a Google Form](#) to be completed before the end of **Monday 4 May 2026**, along with some information about our uniform policy and PTA. Information regarding the rental of school lockers, [ParentPay](#) and our online [School Gateway](#) system will be available at the start of the new school year in September.

The **Transition** section and **Life at Marden** section of our [school website](#) have a lot of information for children and parents, including introductions from some members of staff. Also please feel free to see my Headteacher newsletter which appears on the school website every week containing current information about what is going on in school.

Looking forward, we will be holding **two full day sessions on Tuesday 30 June 2026 and Wednesday 1 July 2026**. Students will be in their form classes for these transition days, and during this time they will have the opportunity to make connections with new friends and members of Marden High School staff ahead of the Summer break.

For these transition days, we have made the decision to ask Year 6 pupils to wear their usual **primary school uniforms on Tuesday and their primary PE kits on Wednesday**, and each child will have the option of a **free school lunch**.

In addition to the above, our parents and carers information evening is planned for **Monday 29 June 2026 from 4.30pm until 6pm**, where they will be able to be introduced to key members of staff ahead of their child starting with us in September.

We look forward to working with you in order to help your child reach their potential and enjoy their time at Marden High School.

Starting at Marden will offer many new opportunities for your child, if you have any further queries or if there is anything that you would like to discuss about your child please do not hesitate to contact us by emailing [office@mardenhigh.net](mailto:office@mardenhigh.net)

Yours faithfully

Mr M Snape  
Headteacher



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Dear Parent/Carer

I am delighted to inform you about our **uniform** at Marden High School.

We are very proud of our uniform because:-

- Putting on the uniform is a signal you are going to work hard and learn.
- Uniform and team kits help our students to demonstrate pride in their school.
- Students tell us that if they look “smart”, then they will have more self-belief and achieve more.
- Our uniform gives students a sense of a common identity, enhancing the sense of belonging we strive to achieve.

We would like Year 6 students to be fully prepared for their new school year in September 2026.

I have attached a full uniform and equipment list, and this information is also on our website under [Our Uniform](#).

We have ensured our uniform can be purchased at a number of outlets including supermarkets and value clothing stores, this includes the supplier Emblematic. Uniforms can be ordered directly from Emblematic via their [website](#) or directly from their shop at Unit 26, North Tyne Industrial Estate, NE12 9SZ. There is also the option of purchasing an iron on badge separately to the blazer which may help to reduce costs. Local shops which offer both blazers and badges include Anne Thomas in Whitley Bay, The Embroidery and Printing Shop in Monkseaton, and Emblematic in Benton. Supermarkets such as Morrisons, Tesco and Asda offer blazers too.

Should you ever have any questions regarding our uniform, please do not hesitate to us by emailing [office@mardenhigh.net](mailto:office@mardenhigh.net)

Yours faithfully

Mr M Snape  
Headteacher

## Uniform at Marden High School

**Shirts** - Should be white with top button fastened and tucked into trousers / skirts.

**Tie** - Must be clip on. House colours are incorporated into the design.

Alnwick (yellow), Bamburgh (blue), Dunstanburgh (green), Warkworth (red)

**Trousers, Skirts, Leggings** - Smart, black and unbranded.

**Blazers** - Must have a school badge. They must be worn around school but can be taken off during lessons.

**Jumpers** – Should be black, v-necked and woollen with the school logo.

**Shoes** - Black shoes (some small areas of white are acceptable).

**Socks** - Grey, black or white.

**Tights** – Grey, black or natural.

**Make-up** - Should be minimal with natural colours only. Acrylic nails must not be worn.

**Coats** - A sensible outdoor coat is needed. Hooded sweat tops are not acceptable. We recommend that students rent a locker in which to store outdoor coats.

### **PE Kit (Outdoor)**

Purple rugby shirt

Purple hooded sweatshirt with school badge

Plain black tracksuit bottoms (with school badge)

White socks and training shoes

Black football socks and training shoes

### **PE Kit (Indoor)**

White polo shirt (with school badge)

Plain black shorts

White socks and training shoes

**Please note – Training shoes for Indoor PE should be plain white or black with non-marking soles. Shin pads are strongly recommended for hockey and football as are gum shields for hockey**

### **Mobile Phones**

Students may bring phones to school but they should be switched off. Students using them between normal school hours of 8.45am and 3.15pm, including breaks and lunchtime, will have them confiscated until the end of the day. If you need to contact your child urgently during the day, please ring our reception on 0191 2962771.

### **Jewellery**

Only items of jewellery which cannot be caught should be worn. This is to protect students when in practical subjects.

## **Equipment**

Students should always have the following equipment out on their desk at all times:-

Pen

Pencil

Ruler

Reading Book

## **Calculators**

The calculator we recommend is the Casio fx-83GTCW+ Scientific Calculator Black (UK Version). A link to buy this through Amazon is [here](#) but you can also buy them from all big supermarkets as well as Wilkos for approximately £15.

## **Complaints**

If a parent or carer is dissatisfied with the response made by the school regarding the wearing of school uniform, he/she may make a complaint in accordance with the School Complaints Policy. Requests for long term changes to uniform must be put in writing and sent to the Headteacher.

## **Equal Opportunities**

In implementing this policy all members of staff must take into account the School's Equal Opportunities policy. Staff must ensure that no student involved in any incident of bullying/harassment is disadvantaged on the grounds of gender, race, disability, sexual orientation, age, religion or belief.

## **Monitoring, Evaluation and Review**

This policy will be reviewed at least every two years and its implementation and effectiveness assessed.



## **Marden High School PTA**

Would you like to join our friendly group?

We meet around once every 6 weeks and have a very informal meeting on the future fundraising ideas / events.

We are always keen to welcome new people to the group.

If you would like to find out more,  
please call the school office on **0191 296 2771**.