

## YouGov Survey Results

Sample Size: 2847 GB Adults  
Fieldwork: 19th - 20th June 2011

	Voting intention			2010 Vote			Gender		Age				Social grade		Region				
Total	Con	Lab	Lib Dem	Con	Lab	Lib Dem	Male	Female	18-24	25-39	40-59	60+	ABC1	C2DE	London	Rest of South	Midlands / Wales	North	Scotland
<b>Weighted Sample</b> 2847	824	962	212	867	761	660	1384	1463	344	726	974	803	1623	1224	364	925	609	700	248
Unweighted Sample	817	874	225	861	712	683	1345	1502	213	744	1055	835	1902	945	461	900	581	655	250
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In the United States and European countries such as Italy, France and Germany, school uniforms are not as common in state schools as they are in British state schools. Instead, they often just have a dress code listing unacceptable types of clothing. Which of the following statements, if any, comes closest to your views on uniforms in British schools?

Schools should have compulsory uniforms	<b>67</b>	78	61	59	76	63	62	64	69	63	68	69	64	67	66	69	72	62	62	65
Schools should not have compulsory uniforms, instead they should have a compulsory dress code	<b>26</b>	20	32	32	20	30	29	29	23	22	21	25	33	26	26	24	22	27	29	32
Neither, students should be free to dress however they choose at school	<b>3</b>	2	3	2	2	2	3	4	2	4	4	3	1	2	3	3	1	5	3	1
Don't know	<b>5</b>	1	4	6	2	5	5	4	6	10	7	4	2	4	6	4	4	6	6	2

A student has taken his former Secondary school to court after he was banned from the school on his first day for wearing his hair in cornrows. The hairstyle is traditionally associated with Afro-Caribbean communities, and refers to where the hair is braided very close to the scalp, producing a continuous raised row-hence the name. The school argues that the popular hairstyle breached its uniform policy, which it has in place to help tackle gang culture. However, the student and his family claim that he should not have been banned as the hairstyle is part of his cultural identity. In your opinion, was the school right or wrong to ban the student from attending the school with his hair in cornrows?

Right to ban the student	<b>34</b>	46	29	27	45	31	27	40	27	20	24	38	44	35	32	32	36	31	34	31
Wrong to ban the student	<b>55</b>	45	63	63	46	60	61	48	62	69	65	51	45	54	57	58	53	55	55	61
Don't know	<b>11</b>	9	9	9	9	10	11	11	11	11	12	11	11	11	12	10	10	14	11	9

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Generally speaking, which of the following, if any, do you think a school be able to ban or prohibit under its uniform policy? (Please tick all that apply.)

Facial piercings	<b>78</b>	88	75	77	85	77	79	74	82	59	69	86	86	79	77	75	81	77	80	71
High heels	<b>78</b>	84	75	78	83	75	77	73	82	69	66	81	88	77	78	76	79	79	77	70
Visible underpants	<b>78</b>	85	75	77	85	74	78	76	80	71	75	79	84	81	75	78	81	77	76	82
Visible bras	<b>77</b>	84	74	76	83	73	76	74	79	73	71	77	82	78	75	76	78	76	75	80
Visible tattoos	<b>71</b>	81	66	73	81	63	72	67	75	60	67	75	76	73	69	72	76	69	70	61
Hoodies	<b>66</b>	78	61	63	76	62	61	68	63	45	58	69	78	65	66	68	71	62	61	63
Nail extensions	<b>64</b>	72	61	63	70	63	67	63	65	45	56	68	75	66	61	61	70	61	64	55
Short skirts	<b>63</b>	69	59	59	68	62	60	59	68	61	61	66	64	63	63	67	64	64	58	65
Mohawks (where the sides of the head are shaved, leaving a strip of hair along the centre of the head)	<b>56</b>	71	50	49	71	51	52	54	57	37	42	62	69	57	54	57	61	54	56	43
Make up	<b>50</b>	57	47	50	59	50	46	48	52	23	41	54	66	50	50	48	54	51	52	34
Jewellery	<b>49</b>	58	43	48	57	46	46	46	51	30	37	53	63	49	49	50	50	51	50	34
Fake tan	<b>41</b>	46	40	37	45	42	40	42	41	32	37	45	44	42	41	40	44	36	43	40
Nail varnish	<b>40</b>	51	34	39	51	37	37	37	44	22	33	45	50	41	40	41	45	38	41	25
Trainers	<b>40</b>	49	35	41	48	37	38	44	37	44	44	42	33	41	39	40	43	37	41	36
Colourful socks (outside of school colours)	<b>38</b>	51	30	41	49	30	36	36	39	21	30	41	47	40	35	40	43	35	38	21
Shaved heads	<b>35</b>	46	29	29	47	31	33	32	37	14	18	39	54	36	33	33	41	33	33	26
Hair extensions	<b>33</b>	42	28	32	41	30	32	33	34	22	24	37	42	33	34	32	38	30	34	24
Non-natural hair colours i.e. not blonde, brunette, black or red	<b>32</b>	42	26	30	42	26	30	32	31	29	26	31	39	34	29	31	39	28	31	19
Sandals	<b>32</b>	40	29	31	39	28	30	38	27	41	30	32	31	34	30	38	33	28	34	25
Shorts	<b>31</b>	36	29	25	38	30	29	28	33	21	20	32	44	32	30	29	33	32	29	32
Corncrows (where the hair is braided very close to the scalp, producing a continuous raised row)	<b>30</b>	43	24	25	42	27	26	35	26	14	19	34	43	32	28	27	33	28	33	23
Ear piercings	<b>24</b>	27	21	22	28	24	20	30	18	12	17	26	33	25	22	20	25	23	27	17
None of these	<b>2</b>	1	2	3	1	2	4	3	2	5	3	2	1	2	3	3	2	2	2	3
Don't know	<b>3</b>	1	3	1	1	4	2	4	2	5	5	2	2	3	3	4	2	4	3	2