

the *King's* school

specialising in maths and computing

School Uniform Policy



SCHOOL UNIFORM POLICY

Policy Statement

The School Uniform Policy of The King's School forms part of the overall aims of the school which promote positive behaviour between all members of the school and its community. The King's School has a long tradition in the wearing of school uniform and feels that it has an important function to play in developing a sense of pride and belonging to the School.

We do not believe that 'fashion' should dictate school uniform, or that items of dress, footwear or hairstyles which reflect the social scene out of school or some of the more extreme aspects of the youth culture are appropriate within school.

The School's insistence upon a high standard of personal appearance, self discipline and good manners is considered to be important in developing the sorts of attitudes we believe that parents value and associate with our school.

2 Purpose

To support the King's School Ethos i.e. that all students have the 'Right to be Respected' and the 'Right to be Safe' so that the King's School Aims of 'Providing a happy, purposeful, caring, safe and stimulating environment where success is desirable and achievable' is met.

To try and ensure that every student has the right to be safe and happy at school. They have the right to enjoy their learning and leisure time free from intimidation both in and out of school.

The wearing of uniform removes barriers to the above as much as possible, so that students are all dressed to the same standard. The wearing of a school uniform aims to ensure that there is less competition between students regarding appearance and material belongings that could become an issue between groups of students from different backgrounds and standards of living. The uniform code regarding skirts is designed to ensure that girls do not put themselves at risk and preserve their modesty. It also means that apart from the initial outlay the clothing of students is more affordable, simpler and easier, in the long term, both for the students and their parents.

3 Scope

This policy will be used by all staff in conjunction with the School's Positive Discipline for Learning behaviour management policy and will apply sanctions to all students regardless of age and ability. Reporting of ongoing uniform issues by staff will require liaison with Year Achievement Leaders who will act to resolve the issues and issue further sanctions as necessary.

The Headteacher, acting on behalf of the Governing body, will be the final arbiter and students not conforming to the regulation uniform and not willing to resolve any issues will be sent home to change or will be isolated within school.

4 Responsibility

Wearing of the School Uniform correctly is the responsibility of everyone in the school community - students, parents and staff.

The wearing of school uniform is a requirement at the King's School and should be worn to and from school as well as in and around school.

We expect the full support of parents in maintaining a high standard of dress and presentation.

School and Staff Commitment

As a school and as members of staff we will:

1. Regularly remind students of the School uniform rules and expectations in assemblies, form tutor time and in lessons.
2. Recognise and praise efforts made by students who wear their uniform correctly using the Positive Discipline for Learning and its Rewards system such as Clean Day credits from the form tutors.
3. Recognise and praise efforts made by students who wear their uniform correctly and promote the ethos and high standards of the school by promoting these students into positions such as Buddies, Anti Bullying Mentors and Ambassadors in lower school and Blue Tie Prefects in Upper School.
4. Act as positive role models for students.
5. Be approachable, responsive and alert to any problems at home that could cause difficulties with Uniform and find ways to resolve these.
6. Recognise, correct and issue sanctions for the incorrect wearing of the School Uniform in line with the School's Positive Discipline for Learning Policy.

Student Commitment

As students we will:

1. Wear the correct items of clothing as stated in the School's Uniform list.
2. Wear the School's Uniform correctly eg. shirt tucked in and ties clipped to the collar with the top button fastened. Skirts worn at length in line with School's Uniform list.
3. Wear the appropriate footwear as stated in the School's Uniform list.
4. Wear our hair in a hairstyle and colour which meets the requirements of the Policy and the regular reminders and updates about this in school.
5. Try our best to keep our uniform clean and presentable in school.
6. Where appropriate draw attention to issues and requests for possible changes to the uniform rules and expectations via the Student Leadership Groups.

Parental Commitment

As parents/carers we will:

1. Give our full support in maintaining a high standard of dress and presentation and the correct wearing of school uniform to and from school as well as in and around school.
2. Alert the student's Form Tutor or Year Achievement Leader if a child has difficulty meeting the School Uniform requirements.
3. Provide medical information or a letter from the GP if there are any medical reasons why the wearing of the School Uniform is difficult or needs modifying to meet that individual's needs.
4. Provide students with the correct items of clothing for their School Uniform and restrict them from buying incorrect or inappropriate items.

5. Restrict hairstyles to those that are accepted by the school and check with the Year Achievement Leader and/or the Uniform Guidance section in the Student's Planner, if unsure before agreeing to something different (if what your child is requesting seems unusual, fashioned or extreme it is probably not allowed).
6. Help the child to maintain a clean and tidy appearance with their uniform and personal hygiene

5 Publicity

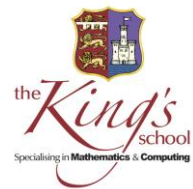
A statement regarding Uniform Policy will be made on all publicity materials, all new staff and students recruited to the School will be made aware of it. The policy will be posted on the Shared (G) drive of the school IT network and on the school website.

GUIDANCE/PROCEDURES

Please see Uniform List:-

SCHOOL UNIFORM

SCHOOL UNIFORM MUST BE WORN CORRECTLY TO, FROM, IN AND AROUND SCHOOL



UNIFORM	NOTES
BLAZER Navy Blue with School Badge	Worn by all students in, around and on the way to and from school.
SHIRT Light Blue, White or Light Grey	Tucked inside the skirt or trousers.
JUMPER/CARDIGAN Plain Grey/Navy Blue "V"-neck (waist length)	No sweatshirts or hoodies.
SCHOOL TIE Lower or Upper School - Clip-on	Students selected for the Year 11 Leadership Team will be presented with a different tie.
SHOES Black	Boots, trainers, sandals, pumps and high heeled shoes are not allowed.
SOCKS Black, Grey or Navy	
TIGHTS Plain Black, Grey or Navy	
TROUSERS Dark Grey/Black or Navy Blue tailored trousers	Trousers should be " fit for purpose ", of a formal style and suitable for school. Not skinny leg, stretchy, patterned, decorated, jeans, flares, boot-legged, tracksuit bottoms or leggings. No decorative buttons, buckles or fashion belts.
SKIRTS (Girls) Plain Navy Blue or Black Tailored	Skirts should be of a reasonable length (no more than 3cm above/below the knee), a formal style and suitable for school, not wrap-over or stretch material.
PE KIT Plain Navy Shorts/Skort Long Plain Navy Blue Socks School PE Shirt Football/Rugby/Hockey Boots Clean trainers for inside PE	Optional: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Plain Dark Blue Tracksuit Bottoms • Summer Sports Shirt
APRON FOOD TECHNOLOGY	Current design Blue and Red chequered
APRON ART AND RESISTANT MATERIALS	Navy Blue school apron with pocket
SCHOOL BAGS	Should be an appropriate size and style for carrying all school books, folders and equipment.
<p>JEWELLERY Students should not wear jewellery in school other than a wrist watch and one pair (<u>one in each ear lobe</u>) of small plain stud earrings.</p> <p>Students wearing rings, necklaces, bracelets etc. will be required to remove them and they will be kept securely to be collected at the end of the day from Student Services.</p> <p>Other piercings or tattoos are not appropriate for school.</p> <p>Where students choose to have their ears pierced, we would request that this is done at the beginning of the summer vacation so that it does not affect participation in PE where safety regulations require all earrings to be removed.</p> <p>No obvious signs of make-up and nail varnish are allowed. Nails should be of a safe, reasonable length.</p>	
HAIR	Grade 2 is the minimum length acceptable to the school. Extreme fashion styles are not acceptable, this includes obvious unnatural colours and patterns including shaved lines/areas/patches.
MOBILE PHONES	Should not be visible in or around the School site. These may be used for specific learning tasks in lessons with staff permission only.