

# **The King's CE School**



## **Uniform Policy**

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# **SCHOOL UNIFORM POLICY**

## **Introduction**

At the King's Church of England we believe in setting high standards for all. The purpose of this guidance is to set out our uniform policy which is sensitive to the needs and beliefs of the whole community. In setting this policy we have been mindful of our duty to act fairly and reasonably, according to the Human Rights Act 1998 and anti-discrimination legislation

It has always been our school policy that all children wear school uniform when attending school or when participating in a school-organised event outside normal school hours.

## **Aims**

Our policy is based on the notion that school uniform:

- Promotes a sense of pride in the school in line with our ethos
- Engenders a sense of community and belonging towards the school
- Supports positive behaviour and discipline
- Is practical and smart
- Identifies the children with the school and encourages identity with the school
- Makes children feel equal to their peers in terms of appearance and helps nurture cohesion between different groups of pupils
- Is regarded as suitable wear for school and good value for money by most parents

## **The Uniform**

### **Compulsory**

- Grey Blazer with The King's School badge
- Black Trousers or Skirt (not shorts,  $\frac{3}{4}$  length trousers or mini-skirts)
- White Shirt or Blouse (must be able to button up to the collar)
- School Tie House Specific (clip on only)
- Prefect Tie –Yr 11 (plain grey with logo) awarded by the school
- Black Socks or Tights (not white or coloured socks)
- Black Shoes (No trainers or pumps – no sports logos - shoes need to be black leather type shoes suitable for safety in school and provide a good level of protection in wet weather)

### **Optional**

- Black school jumper with The King's logo.

### **P.E Compulsory**

- Black school t-shirt with logo (available from PE dept)
- Black shorts or jogging bottoms
- White sport socks
- Black swimming costume or trunks
- Trainers
- Towel

### **Additional belongings**

- Hats, caps, scarves and gloves are not allowed in the building
- No outdoor coats to be worn in the building
- Hooded sweatshirts overhead or zipped are not permitted
- Bandanas or colourful hair accessories are not permitted
- Headscarves should be plain black.
- A study bag/rucksack large enough to carry at least an A4 folder, pencil case and school planner

### **Jewellery and Make-up**

- 1 discreet ring
- 1 Pair of Single Studs or Sleepers (No larger than 10mm/1cm worn in the ears **only**) – No facial piercings are permitted
- 1 Kara (Sikh Bracelet)
- No blatant make-up
- No patterns shaved into hair or hair colours other than normal blond, brown and natural red
- Nail varnish and false nails are not permitted

## **PLEASE NOTE:**

### ***No form of facial piercing other than the ear is permitted***

*Body, facial and tongue piercings are actively discouraged at The King's School. A single earring may be worn in each ear. No tongue or facial piercing should be worn inside of the school day.*

### **The Role of Parents**

We expect all parents who send their children to our school to support the school uniform policy. We believe that parents have a duty to send their children to school correctly dressed and ready for their daily schoolwork. One of the responsibilities of parents is to ensure that their child has the correct uniform, and that it is clean and in good repair.

We understand that a minority of students push the boundaries of uniform acceptability and parents can sometimes be left feeling somewhat unsure about the uniform required. We hope that this will confirm in a little more detail the exact requirements that we will be expecting from all students.

It is common practice to challenge students about their compulsory uniform and hope that this will help you to check that your child's uniform is current for The King's School.

Students who do not meet with the standards set out in the policy will be challenged. Tutors are expected to check uniform on a daily basis and students who are not in the correct uniform will be sent to their Head of House for a cover note, students will be placed on a uniform report after 5 cover notes have been issued, not wearing the correct uniform can lead to students being sent home to change or being placed in isolation until any issues can be rectified.

We would also recommend that it is prudent to label each item of clothing with your child's name as this avoids problems of clothing getting mixed up, particularly in PE changing rooms and if mislaid it can be identified and returned quickly.

### **The Role of Governors**

The Governors support the Principal in implementing the school uniform policy. It considers all representations from parents regarding the policy and liaises with the Principal to ensure that the policy is implemented fairly and with sensitivity.

It is the Governors' responsibility to ensure that the school uniform meets all regulations concerning equal opportunities.

Governors ensure that the school uniform policy helps children to dress sensibly in clothing that is hardwearing, safe and practical.

See below for examples of acceptable uniform

## Shoes

The following examples show what types of shoe styles are acceptable and suitable to be worn with school uniform. They should be entirely black and leather or a leather style in appearance. They should not have any logos or writing on them. Canvas shoes, high heels and boots are not permitted.

 	 
 	 
 	 
 	 
 	 
 	 



**Trousers**

Trousers should be smart in appearance. Hipsters, cargo style, skin tight trousers, jean style trousers, jeggings and leggings are not permitted. They must not be denim or have any coloured external labelling.

 	 
 	 
 	 





## Skirts

Skirts should be knee length and certainly no more than 5cm above the knee. They should be loose fitting and plain in design.

 	 
 	 
 	 

### **Please note:**

Nose studs and other facial piercings are **not** permitted. No other visible body piercing is allowed and there should be no visible body art.

We do not allow extremes of hairstyle, skirt length as we do not believe these are appropriate in a school which expects high standards of appearance from all its members.

The Principal reserves the right to decide what is 'extreme' in light of the school's standards and what is appropriate for a busy working community.

### **Water Bottles**

Students are encouraged to bring a water bottle to school. Bottles must be made of clear plastic and contain water only. Students will not be allowed out of lessons to collect water, except in a medical emergency.

Energy drinks and carbonated drinks are strictly prohibited. Hot drinks should not be carried by students around the school at any time.

### **Mobile Phones**

Mobile phones are not allowed in school. If a student chooses, against the school's recommendations to carry a mobile phone to and from school this must be switched off (not on silent). Mobile phones must not be visible at any point in the school day.

Any student found contravening this rule will have the phone confiscated until parent or guardians are available to collect the phone from the school reception.

### **Electrical equipment**

MP3 players, i-pods, tablets and cameras are not allowed in school without a staff signature in the student's planner. Headphones should not be visible in school.

**The school accepts no responsibility for replacing lost,  
stolen or damaged property.**

### **Uniform retailers:**

Uniform can be purchased from Bradsports, 4 Bilbrook Rd, Codsall, Wolverhampton, WV8 1E2

### **Approximate prices**

Blazers	£25
Jumpers	£15
Ties	£6
P.E.	£12.50