



DRESS AND APPEARANCE

Pupils at The King's School, Worcester should be smart at all times. There is a formal school uniform for all pupils in Years 7 to 11 (Lower Fourth to Fifth Form). Details of the uniform requirements are set out in this guide. Members of the Sixth Form do not wear uniform but they must conform to the Dress Code which is set out in a separate guide.

PURCHASING SCHOOL UNIFORM AND GAMES KIT

King's old uniform (ex-Schooltogs stock) may be obtained from either the online uniform shop (until the 6th September) or the second hand uniform shop thereafter. Where items are not available new uniform items can be purchased from Schoolbazer. Second hand sports kit is only available via the second hand uniform shop. However new sports kit can be purchased from Tacklebag.

Second Hand Uniform Shop

The Second Hand Uniform Shop is run by King's parents on a voluntary basis to help the school and other parents. The shop is located on the ground floor of 5 Castle Place. Clothes can be collected and sold during term time; exact opening times and dates are published regularly on the school website and in the School Calendar. Items may be purchased by cash or cheque; items sold for parents will be credited to the pupil's termly bill.

UNIFORM RULES

Name Tapes

All clothes, bags and shoes, particularly Games kit, must be clearly marked with the pupil's name. Items which are lost or mislaid have a much better chance of being reunited with their owners if they can be identified.

Hair

Pupils' hair should be well-kept, clean and moderate in style, length and treatment; artificial streaks of colouring that stand out in any way will not be allowed and pupils are liable to be sent home until hair is restored to its natural colour. Girls are expected to tie their hair back; hair may be held in place with a navy or black scrunchy or hair band. Please note that coloured bows or other ornate hair decorations must not be worn with school uniform. Boys should be clean-shaven with no longer than collar-length hair. Very short hair is not allowed and pupils may be asked to return home until it has grown to an acceptable length. Boys' hair should be clean, neat and tidy. Boys' hair should be neatly styled in a manner suitable for a school environment

- No extremes of style, cut or colour are allowed
- Hair should not be dyed
- Boys' hair should cover neither the collar or the eyes
- No part of the hairstyle should be very closely cropped or shaved
- Boys should not wear their hair in a top bun

Jewellery

Up to the end of Fifth Form (Year 11), girls may wear one silver or gold stud in each earlobe, but must be prepared to remove these if they are taking part in any activity where they might be considered unsafe. **No other jewellery is permitted.** Boys may not wear jewellery of any sort.

Make-up and Nail Varnish

No pupil should wear make-up or nail varnish.

Shoes

Pupils' shoes must be **sensible, flat, black, polishable and polished** and without coloured stitching or other coloured accessories. The shoe should give adequate support to the foot; for example, there should always be a back to the shoe and it should be held firmly in place. Boots, high heels, kitten heels, wedged heels, sandals, clogs, mules and trainers are not permitted.

Girls' Socks and Tights

Girls wear navy blue, ankle socks (not trainer socks), opaque navy or black tights or natural tights. From the second half of the Autumn Term until the end of the Spring Term they must wear opaque navy or black tights. Ankle socks and natural tights may only be worn in the Summer Term and the first half of the Autumn Term.

Skirts

Skirts should be worn and should be on the knee and no more than 5 cm above the knee when kneeling (i.e. 5 cm above the midpoint of the knee cap). Parents are requested to supervise their daughter's purchase of a skirt so that it conforms to this rule. A variety of length of skirts are available. Girls wearing a skirt which is too short for them will be asked to replace it with a new, longer skirt.

Girls' Trousers

Girls can wear slim leg or regular fit dark grey trousers in a formal style. These must be in a flannel fabric and full length. Skinny or jeggings style trousers are not permitted.

Boys' Trousers

Boys' trousers should be dark grey (charcoal), straight leg, 'flannel' trousers. Narrow, skinny leg style black trousers are not permitted.

Boys' Shirts and Ties

Boys' shirts must be tucked in properly and ties and top buttons must be done up at all times. At the beginning of the Summer Term until half-term in the Autumn Term, there is the option of a short-sleeved shirt; this must be worn with a tie. A t-shirt should never be visible under the shirt.

Girls' Blouses and Ties

Girls should wear their blouse tucked in and with the top button and tie done up. At the beginning of the Summer Term until half-term in the Autumn Term, there is the option of a short-sleeved blouse; this is worn without a tie. A t-shirt should never be visible under the blouse.

Blazers and Jumpers

Girls and boys must wear the blazer to and from school. If a pullover is worn, it must be under the blazer. The school pullover is plain (unbadged), navy and v-necked so that the tie can be seen. A sleeveless jumper or cardigan, provided that it is plain, navy and v-necked is permitted. A hooded top, whether of school design or not, may not be worn under the blazer instead of a jumper.

Coats

We do not specify a uniform overcoat, raincoat or anorak for those who will be wearing the old uniform. However, we do insist that coats should be of a uniform colour (navy, dark grey or black) and smart. If parents wish to purchase an overcoat, 'Schoolblazer' stock one that is suitable. Brightly coloured, embellished or fur-trimmed jackets/anoraks, hooded sweatshirts, or similar garments with a logo or brand name are not acceptable. Suitable outdoor garments must be worn over the school blazer.

Games Kit

Items of Games kit are listed on the following pages. If advice is needed before purchasing a particular piece of sports kit or equipment, parents may contact the Foundation Director of Sport, Mr J Mason (jmason@ksw.org.uk), or the Head of Boys' or Head of Girls Games.

As pupils progress up the school, they may choose to pursue a greater variety of sports, each of which has particular kit requirements. They may not need, therefore, to buy everything on the kit list below.

School Functions and Matches

School uniform must be worn, not only when in school, but also when travelling to and from school, to and from matches and when attending school functions, either during or outside school hours, unless permission to the contrary has expressly been given by a member of staff.

School Trips and 'Own Clothes Days'

On certain school trips pupils may be allowed to wear their own clothes. The same is true on non-uniform days which are held to raise money for charity from time to time. In such cases, their dress should be discreet, appropriate to their age and the working environment and should avoid extremes of fashion.

Sanctions

Any member of staff may discipline a pupil who does not follow the rules regarding uniform and appearance. Form staff are informed when a pupil's dress and appearance do not meet the expected standards. Various sanctions are in place for pupils who do not follow the rules on uniform. Pastoral staff will contact parents when pupils repeatedly fail to follow the rules and do not meet our expectations in terms of dress and appearance. Any pupil who arrives at school inappropriately dressed will be required to change into proper school uniform. If this is not possible without the pupil returning home, parents will be contacted at once to arrange this.

GIRLS' UNIFORM

All girls will need the following.

- **School Blazer**
- **Dark grey skirt**, worn no shorter than on or just above the knee
- **Long-sleeved blue and white striped school blouse**
- **Fourth Form tie**
- **Science/Art overall**

All girls will need the following, which may be obtained from any retail outlet

- **Plain navy v-neck pullover or cardigan**
- **Opaque navy or black tights**
- **Black, polishable, sensible, flat shoes**

The following are optional items which, if purchased, must come from 'Schooltogs'

- **School scarf** (a scarf is optional, but, if worn, must be of the school design)
- **Short-sleeved open-necked blue and white striped blouse** (Summer Term/first half of Autumn Term)

The following are optional items which may be obtained from any retail outlet

- **Smart navy, dark grey or black coat or anorak**
- **Navy or black scrunchy**
- **Navy ankle socks** (not trainer socks); **natural tights** (Summer Term/first half of Autumn Term only)

WINTER/SPRING GAMES KIT

All girls will need the following

- **Navy/red polo shirt**
- **Navy/red skort**
- **Navy track suit**
- **Plain navy one-piece swimsuit and hat**
- **Navy long games socks** (for Hockey)

All girls will need the following, which may be obtained from any retail outlet

- **Trainers**
- **Shin pads and gum shield** (for Hockey)
- **Hockey stick**
- **Towel, goggles and swimming kit bag**
- **White ankle socks** (for Netball)

The following are optional items

- **Navy hooded top**
- **Football boots**

SUMMER GAMES KIT

All girls will need the following if they are selected for school team matches, which may be obtained from any retail outlet

- **White shirt or top**
- **White Tennis skirt or white skort**
- **White ankle socks**
- **White sports shoes**

The following are optional items

- **Baseball cap** (if worn, must be of the school design)
- **White sleeveless Tennis top.**

BOYS' UNIFORM

All boys will need the following

- **School Blazer**
- **Fourth Form tie**
- **Science/Art overall**

All boys will need the following, which may be obtained from any retail outlet

- **Dark grey** (charcoal) **straight cut flannel trousers**
- **Long-sleeved white shirt**
- **Plain navy v-neck pullover**
- **Grey, navy or black socks**
- **Black, polishable, sensible, flat shoes**

The following are optional items

- **School scarf** (a scarf is optional, but, if worn, must be of the school design)

The following are optional items which may be obtained from any retail outlet

- **Smart navy, dark grey or black coat or anorak**
- **Short-sleeved white shirt** (Summer Term/first half of Autumn Term)

WINTER/SPRING GAMES KIT

All boys will need the following,

- **Navy/red polo shirt**
- **Navy swimming shorts**
- **Navy/red Rugby jersey**
- **Navy games socks**
- **Navy tracksuit**

All boys will need the following, which may be obtained from any retail outlet

- **Navy PE shorts and an extra pair of Rugby shorts**
- **Trainers and Rugby boots**
- **Shin pads and gum shield**
- **Towel, goggles and swimming bag**

SUMMER GAMES KIT

All boys will need the following, which may be obtained from any retail outlet

- **Navy or white PE shorts**

The following are optional items

- **Baseball cap** (if worn, must be of the school design)

All boys will need the following if they are selected for school team matches, which may be obtained from any retail outlet

- **White Cricket flannels**
- **White Cricket sweater**
- **White socks and white Cricket shoes**