

Uniform expectations



Wearing correct school uniform is an essential part of being a student at King Edward VI School. We have high expectations of our students and expect you to dress correctly. No student is allowed into lessons without the correct uniform, unless with a medical note.

To avoid confusion and unnecessary expense, the guidelines below have been written to make clear our uniform requirements. More detailed guidance is available on the school website [here](#).

Questions should be raised with us before buying item(s) which may not conform to our expectations.

Most of our uniform can be purchased from supermarkets. The few branded items required can be purchased from Aubyn Davies in Bury St Edmunds. For those parents/carers preferring purchase online, the same uniform and PE kit is available via their online shop at www.aubyndavies.co.uk. Purchases from supermarkets and department stores must match the school uniform requirements in terms of **style and length**.

Jewellery is not encouraged. Students may, however, wear one small stud (no larger than 1 cm diameter) in each ear. One small 'traditional' metal chain or necklace may be worn, but no other jewellery (including coloured necklaces). No rings or bracelets. No other piercing is allowed (e.g. nose, tongue or eyebrow-studs). Any piercings must take place at the start of the summer holidays and removable by the start of the Autumn Term.

Any t-shirt worn beneath the school shirt must be plain white and must not extend below the shirt.

Hairstyles which are 'extreme' or attract undue attention are not allowed – e.g. shaven styles or dyed hair (unless natural in colour and appearance). It is important to check with a Head of Year before having a hairstyle which may be considered inappropriate.

Hats, caps and other headgear (e.g. large hairbands/bandanas) should not be worn on the school site except out of doors as protection from the sun in summer.

Please name all items of equipment, clothing and shoes.

Requirements	Guidance notes
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The school's black v-neck jumper, with embroidered school crest, must be worn at all times from Autumn Term to Easter. Teacher has to give permission for jumper to be taken off in class. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No other jumper, cardigan or sweatshirt may be worn. Jumpers are compulsory from September to Easter.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> White shirt with embroidered school crest Shirts must always be tucked in 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No polo shirts may be worn.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Plain black (not grey), tailored trousers. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No trousers which are: denim, corduroy, cut away at the bottom, tight-fitting, leggings-style, showing stitched-on pockets or dragging on the floor Belts must be black and in a plain style; no chains If in doubt, send a photo or seek advice before buying.
<p>Optional:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Skirts: which must match the official school skirt: tailored, pleated and is one credit card width above the knee. Shorts: formal, tailored school uniform shorts. Summer Term only. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No other type of skirt may be worn (e.g. ribbed, puffed, body-con or made of stretchy fabric) Skirt must not be rolled up at the waist. If in doubt, please send a photo to the Head of Year for approval before purchasing.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sensible, black shoes with black soles must be worn, along with black or white matching socks. Socks (white or black) or tights (black or neutral) may be worn with a skirt (not both). 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The following are not allowed: plimsolls, trainers; canvas or casual shoes; large/coloured or decorated shoes/boots We expect traditional, well-constructed, weatherproof, leather (or leather-type) shoes, with a low heel and appropriate sole.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Outdoor waterproof coats, with a zip or buttons all the way down, may be worn in public areas of schools, but not in classrooms, the Library, or in assemblies. 	

Compulsory PE kit for all students

Red knee-length sports socks

Red & black King Edward VI polo shirt (short sleeved)

Black shorts

Astro trainers

Shin pads

Optional items of PE kit
Training shoes and/or Football boots
Red & black King Edward VI reversible sports shirt (long sleeved)
Black base layer
Black skort (sport skirt with built in shorts)
Black tracksuit bottoms
Gum shield (highly recommended)
Black King Edward VI sports fleece coat.