KING EDWARD VI
SCHOOL LICHFIELD

Uniform Policy and Guidance

2026

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In order to support the School's Code of Conduct, ***'Ready, Respect, Strive',*** students are expected to be dressed appropriately at all times. We believe that this demonstrates pride in one's appearance and the school and sets the tone for a positive learning community built on personal responsibility and respect. At King Edwards school we take pride in our community and expect all students to wear the full uniform, wear it appropriately and that this expectation will be supported by parents. Parents/Carers sign the home school agreement which ensures that students wear the correct uniform. Uniform is also a protective measure from social pressures to dress in a particular way.

The guidance that follows has been developed in consultation with staff, parents and students. It is intentionally detailed in order to avoid any confusion.

All required uniform can be purchased from local school uniform suppliers and a list is at the end of this document. Detailed guidance is published on the school website along with pictures of correct uniform to help support this policy. PowerPoint Presentation Please contact the school if you are unsure about any of the uniform policy or guidance before purchasing. Adaptions can be considered because of race, religion, disability and any other protected characteristic through communication and discussion with the school.

All uniform items should be named.

Uniform Years 7-11

- Black blazer **(sleeves rolled down)** with a school badge
- King Edward VI School Skirt with the school badge. This can be pleated or straight and is available from either WB Schoolwear or Uniform Plus. **(The badge should not be sewn onto another skirt. Stretchy skirts are not school uniform) This skirt must be worn at the length at which it is purchased and no more than 5cm above the knee.**
- Plain black tailored trousers. **(Jeans, jeggings or leggings are not acceptable)**. School trousers do not need to have the school badge on
- Clip-on school tie
- Optional plain black V-neck knitted jumper (with or without school badge). **The school jumper must not be worn as a replacement for the blazer**
- Plain black, white or dark grey ankle socks or plain black or neutral tights
- White school shirt
- Plain black, leather-type shoes **(Sports trainers, hi-tops, canvas shoes, mesh material, shoes with obvious logos/emblems or shoes with high heels or boots are not permitted)**
- Any tags must be removed from shoes
- During the Summer Term, students have the option to wear a blue polo shirt with the school logo embroidered on it, if they wish

Jewellery

- Students may wear a watch. If the watch is a smartwatch, students should not be checking this for notifications. It should therefore be disconnected from their mobile phone during the school day
- Students have permission to wear one small ring, one small pair of earrings (stud) in each ear, one necklace and one bracelet. **Multiple necklaces, earrings and also bracelets are not permitted**
- All jewellery must be removed for PE for health and safety reasons
- Other forms of piercing (including but not limited to: nose/eyebrow/tongue piercings) are not allowed and students will be asked to remove them in line with our uniform policy.
- Jewellery worn for religious reasons should be discussed with the school in advance
- Belts should be plain, black and unbranded

Hair/Make-up/Nails

- Extreme hair styles are not permitted – this includes hair dyed an unnatural colour, or patterns shaved into the hair
- Make-up should be subtle and not excessive
- False eyelashes should be subtle and not obvious
- Acrylic nails are not permitted for school due to health and safety
- Nails should be of a suitable length and of a neutral colour, this includes gel nails

Outdoor Clothing

- Students are permitted to wear a plain, dark outdoor coat over their blazers when the weather is poor. This should be waterproof. Camouflage-style combat clothing, pull over 'hoodies', leather/faux leather and denim are not permitted. (This includes clothing heavily decorated with insignia)
- Wearing of sweatshirt-style zipped jackets is not permitted, as they do not offer adequate protection against cold/wet weather
- Caps/hats should not usually be worn. In conditions of extreme temperatures or cold weather, a plain hat or cap may be worn outdoors
- Headwear worn for cultural/religious reasons should be plain and black

Uniform Sixth Form

- Photo ID Lanyards must be worn at all times.
- A black blazer with a school badge (blazers should be worn at all times when walking around the school site)
- Skirt, jeans or trousers (no leggings) in black or dark grey or a monochrome pattern. Items in fabric effects such as shiny, metallic and leather are not suitable.
- Plain black, grey or neutral tights (no footless tights or leggings)

- Completely black shoes. Backless, toeless and shoes with high heels, which can be especially dangerous on the schools many staircases, should not be worn. Smart boots can be worn. Sandals are not allowed.
- As an alternative to a black or white shirt and a school tie, Sixth Form students may wear plain or patterned clothing in black, grey or white which would be considered appropriate to be worn under a blazer in a place of work. This clothing may have a small logo.
- Students may wear discreet jewellery which would be considered appropriate for a place of work

Items which would detract from the smart appearance of the workplace and are, therefore, not permitted include:

- Hooded Tops
- Items decorated with large insignia
- T-shirts with designs or pictures on the front and/or back
- Sports tops
- Leggings
- Footless tights
- Sandals
- Cropped tops
- Strappy sleeveless tops

PE Kit

Students require a core bundle of kit to complete their PE lessons. Any items listed under the 'additional' heading are optional items to the basic requirements. We strongly recommend the use of shin pads, appropriate boots and gum shields for activities such as rugby, football and hockey. The branded PE Kit is supplied by **Printable promotions,** however, other non-branded kit, that is a very near match in style/colour (with or without the King Edward VI logo) is acceptable.

Parents/carers and students can visit printable promotions head office to collect/return or try on sizes if necessary. Please be aware that all kit is made to order so can take 10-15 days to be delivered.

Girls PE Kit

- Blue t-shirt (plain or patterned)
- Skort (navy) or shorts (navy)
- Navy long socks only (&7/8/9) – (white ankle socks in summer term only)
- Navy long or white ankle socks (Y10/11)
- Trainers
- Shin pads
- Gum shield

Boys PE Kit

- Blue t-shirt (plain or patterned)
- Shorts (navy)
- Rugby top and shorts
- Navy long socks only (&7/8/9) – (white ankle socks in summer term only)
- Navy long or white ankle socks (Y10/11)
- White ankle or trainer socks
- Trainers
- Shin pads
- Gum shield

Additional Optional PE Kit (Girls and Boys)

- Studded boots
- Zip mid-layer (navy)
- Rain jacket (navy)
- Plain tracksuit bottoms (navy)
- Plain base layer top (navy, black or white)
- Base layer leggings (under shorts/skort)

Uniform Infringements

If uniform is not worn correctly it will result in the following actions:

It will be recorded as a L1 Uniform incorrect/worn incorrectly

The infringement should then be corrected immediately – e.g tuck in shirt

An after-school detention will be served for three repeated incorrect uniform records

School uniform Cost

King Edwards school has implemented the Department for Education cost of School Uniform Guidance when developing the school uniform and PE kit.

Cost of school uniforms - GOV.UK

- We have kept the use of branded items to a minimum
- We have developed a variety of suppliers to give parents choice as to where they purchase school uniform from
- Highlighted pre-loved uniform events in the local community and the Lichfield School Uniform exchange on Facebook.
- Encouraged siblings to pass down uniform to each other and created a uniform bank at school to provide pre-loved uniform. Parents/carers who would like to take advantage of the school uniform bank should contact the school office.
- The school welcomes donations of preloved uniform to help us with this.

Suppliers

WB Schoolwear

Online or in store. School uniform and PE kit.

20 Bells End Lane, Walton on Trent, Derbyshire, DE12 8ND

Uniform Plus

In store only. School uniform and PE kit.

33 Tamworth St, Lichfield, Staffordshire, WS13 6JP Telephone: 01543 414520

Unit 6, Burntwood Town Shopping Centre, Cannock Road, Chase Terrace, Burntwood, Staffordshire, WS7
1JR Telephone: 01543 677068

Myclothing.com

Online selected school uniform items.*

- White PE polo t-shirt – embroidered with school badge
- Summer polo t-shirt (powder blue) – embroidered with school badge
- Boys' and Girls' black Blazers – embroidered with school badge
- Black V-neck knitted jumpers – embroidered with school badge

**This online uniform service does not provide the King Edward VI Skirt. Skirts must be purchased from our other suppliers (above).*

SK School Uniforms

In store/online. Uniform and PE Kit.

46 Chartwell, Riverside, Tamworth, B79 7UG Telephone: 07540 525003

Printable Promotions

for King Edward VI School, Lichfield branded PE kit