



The Kings of Wessex Academy

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UNIFORM POLICY

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For All Students in Years 9, 10 and 11:

- **Black Blazer with embroidered Academy Crown***
Blazers without the regulation embroidered Academy Crown are not acceptable.
Blazer sleeves should not be rolled up.
- **Plain Traditional White Shirt with Collar suitable to wear with a tie**
No fashion fitted shirts, undersized shirts, logos or frills.
Shirts must be tucked in at all times with top buttons and cuffs done up.
Short sleeved shirts are acceptable in appropriate weather.
- **Black Traditional Trousers/Skirts**
Skirts and trousers should be **plain black and of a traditional tailored material**. Skirts should be no higher than 2inches/5cm above the **knee** in length, **OR** a minimum 20inches/60cm in length, whichever is the more demure. Lycra, stretchy or tight pencil skirts are *not acceptable*. Skirts should not 'ride up' significantly when walking or sitting.
Trousers/skirts should not be of stretchy material or have visible fashion zips, buckles, patch pockets or be frayed and must be worn around the waist. Plain black belts are permitted.
Trousers must not be skin tight, jeggings type trousers, **nor are** flares, hipsters, floor scrapers with frayed hems and leggings acceptable. Trousers should not be fitted close to the leg or ankle.
Denim, canvas, corduroy, lycra or similar materials are not permitted.
Trousers must be of a suitable length to cover ankles and the top of the shoe.
- **Plain black Socks or plain black Tights**
- **Plain Black Shoes**
Trainers, daps, sandals, open backed shoes, boots, high heels or platforms are not permitted.
Canvas shoes of any kind are unacceptable. No Velcro.
Sports shoe brands are not acceptable, including sports shoe brands that label their shoes as 'school shoes' i.e. Vans. No labelling or brands should be visible, i.e. Vans, Nike, Lonsdale etc.
Shoes should be leather (or faux leather) and be able to be polished and appropriate to wear with smart work wear (i.e. a suit). Leather trainer style shoes are not acceptable (see uniform photo guidance document).
Black brogue style shoes are the desired style (see uniform photo guidance document).
- **Academy Tie***
Ties are to be worn long with at least 14 bars visible.
- **Jewellery**
Students may wear one small stud earring in each ear lobe plus one small ring on their finger. Rings and studs should be no bigger than 0.5cm Please note that we do not allow any other items of earrings, plugs/spikes, facial jewellery, necklaces, bracelets or bangles/wristbands. Apart from the ear lobe, no other body or facial piercing is allowed; this includes tongue/eyebrow/nose/philtrum or belly button piercings and piercing retainers, this includes any part of the ear other than the lobe. Watches are allowed although smart watches are prohibited during examinations. If students are wearing unacceptable jewellery, items will be confiscated.
- **Make-Up/Nail Varnish**
If worn, make up must be applied discreetly for a natural look. Nail varnish including artificial nails are not allowed. Make up should not be brought into the Academy. If seen being applied, make up will be confiscated.
- **Hairstyles**
Extreme hairstyles (including spiked or shaved heads) and brightly dyed colours are not allowed. Conventional hair colours or highlights are allowed e.g. black, brown or blonde. Nothing shorter than a grade 2 trim is permitted.
- **Coats**
A plain coloured outdoor coat may be worn. Not denim or leather. During the winter students who travel to and from school in the dark should wear fluorescent strips to ensure that they are seen by oncoming traffic. Coats should not be worn indoors, Hoodies are not an acceptable replacement for a coat.

- **Hoodies/Sweat Tops**

Hoodies and sweat tops are not permitted, even when worn under the blazer and will be confiscated if repeatedly asked to be removed.

Please note: Chewing gum is not permitted in the Academy. If a student is seen chewing, they will be asked to dispose of the gum and any remaining on their person will be confiscated.

***These items of uniform can only be bought from our suppliers, Deane & Sons of Cheddar.**

Appropriate shirts, trousers and skirts are also available to purchase from Deane & Sons.

Students are also required to wear the correct uniform on the journey to and from the Academy.

Any student who fails to attend the Academy in the correct uniform or who does not wear their uniform correctly will be subject to disciplinary action. Items of incorrect uniform will be confiscated. Where footwear is incorrect, the school will provide plimsolls for the student to wear. The only exception to this will be on receipt of a Doctors certificate when black trainers may be worn for the recommended period.

Where there are significant and/or persistent infringements of the uniform policy students may be withdrawn from normal lessons pending the correct uniform being worn. The Academy reserves the right to send children home when they are inappropriately dressed to change into the correct uniform.



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Acceptable Items

Unacceptable Items

Trousers (Please note: Items of this style but not limited to these examples)



Shoes (Please note: Items of this style but not limited to these examples)



Skirts (Please note: Items of this style but not limited to these examples)

