

KING HENRY VIII SIXTH FORM DRESS AND APPEARANCE CODE

At the pinnacle of their school career and the strongest ambassadors for our school Sixth Form students are always expected to be well presented with a business-like appearance when representing the school. Suits for this purpose can be purchased from high street retailers but must be bought as a suit and not as individual pieces. The Sixth Form Team and Senior Leadership Team may ask the student to return home if their attire is considered unsuitable.

The Dress and Appearance Code has been drawn up through extensive consultation with students and staff. Their views have helped shape an approach to uniform and appearance which aims to be fair, inclusive, reasonable, and transparent.

This guidance on uniform and appearance has been written with reference to the Department for Education Guidance on School Uniforms (2023). The requirements of the Human Rights Act (1998), the Equality Act (2010) and the guidance provided by the Halo Code for Afro-textured hair have been taken into account.

Consideration has been given to the impact of the policy on pupils who share a protected characteristic, in particular:

- religion or belief
- race (including colour, nationality, ethnic or national origin)
- disability
- gender

Our school uniform must be worn whenever pupils are on site at King Henry VIII School or representing the school elsewhere, this includes the journey to and from School and on school visits, as required. All uniform, games kit and personal possessions must be clearly marked with the owner's name.

Lanyard	Lanyards play a significant role in our school's safeguarding procedures. Lanyards must be always worn around the neck in school unless a member of staff asks students to remove them for safety reasons, such as games or practical lessons.
Jumper	Thin knit jumper in a single colour with V or round neck. A jacket must be worn over this on the main school site.
Hair	Hair must be tidy, of natural colours and appropriate for a school setting. Accessories, including those worn for religious reasons and those worn by those with Afro-textured hair, should be either black or a deep red, or the natural colour of the hair. We embrace the Halo Hair Code for Afro-textured hair.
Facial Hair	Pupils should be clean shaven or have a manicured beard unless worn naturally for religious reasons or specific health issues.
Jewellery	Pupils must wear discreet jewellery, and these must be removed for Games. No piercings, except ear lobes are allowed. Wristwatches are permitted but smart watches should be left at home or turned off.
Makeup/ Cosmetics	Makeup, where worn, should be subtle. False eyelashes and nails may not be worn.
Coats	Coats should be smart and of a dark colour. No suede, leather, denim, or casual style puffer jackets and gilets are not allowed; coats may have a discreet logo. We encourage pupils to purchase a Henry's coat at the uniform shop. Coats/jackets may not be worn inside the school building or classrooms.

Skirt Suit

Skirt or trouser suit in a dark colour. Pinstripes or checks are acceptable. A dress suit is also allowed. All pieces must be made of the same fabric and be designed to be worn together. Skirt length should be closer to the knee than the thigh. Trousers can be ankle length. Stretch fabric and tightfitting skirts or trousers are not allowed.

Blouse with collar or uncollared and sleeves. Plain, pastel colours and moderate patterns. See-through fabrics and sleeveless designs are unacceptable.

Black or dark coloured shoes or ankle boots with heels no higher than 5cm.

The school pin is to be worn on the jacket and can be obtained from the Sixth Form office.

Plain, dark or natural-coloured tights. Socks, patterned tights and bare legs are not permitted.



Trouser Suit

Suit in a dark colour - faint pinstripes or checks are acceptable. All pieces must be made of the same fabric and be designed to be worn together.

Shirt with collar and sleeves. Plain, pastel colours and moderate patterns. Cufflinks are acceptable.

School or Representative tie.

Black or dark coloured shoes or ankle boots worn with socks.

Must be clean shaven or have a manicured beard.

Plain dark coloured socks.

Further Information

If a student or family is experiencing any difficulties caused by our uniform guidance on such bases as religion, race, disability, gender identity or medical issues, they are encouraged to contact the Head of Year to discuss further.

The Head reserves the right in their absolute discretion to refuse entry to the school to any pupil failing to observe any of these dress regulations, and to rule on the acceptability of variations not covered by the regulations.

Please note that failure to comply will lead to a formal warning. Repeated non-compliance will lead to serious sanctions in accordance with the School's Behaviour Policy.

If you are unsure about the uniform, please do get in touch.

PE and Games Kit

All P.E. and Games kit is purchased from the School Shop - Number 57 Schoolwear, details of which are given below. Sixth Formers will need to purchase school kit appropriate for the activity which they are doing, **once they have chosen their Games options.**

VX3 School 6th Form Sports Top (New)
VX3 School Midlayer
VX3 School Trackpants
VX3 School Skort/Shorts
VX3 School Hockey/Rugby Socks

Optional Kit
VX3 School Black Base Layer
VX3 School Leggings
VX3 School Gym Shorties
VX3 School Bench Coat

Other Essential Items

- Sports bag or holdall, large enough to hold complete games kit, preferably black or red, plain or with KHVIII design.
- Towel for showers.
- Hockey stick, tennis, squash or badminton racquet.
- Mouthguards and shin pads for hockey/rugby.

All articles of Games clothing should be clearly marked with the owner's name.

Number 57 Schoolwear

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Opening Hours

These hours will be extended over the summer

Monday - Friday 9.00am – 5.00pm

Saturday 10.00 a.m. - 2.00 p.m.

Sunday/Bank Holidays Closed

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Payment: In cash or major debit/credit card.



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