King Edward VI Balaam Wood Academy

Uniform

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Our policy is that all children at King Edward VI Balaam Wood Academy should maintain an appearance that is smart, including sensible hairstyles and clothing that is in keeping with a purposeful learning ethos.

We also believe that certain school activities are facilitated by specialised and appropriate clothing (including organised events outside normal school hours).

Please help us to keep to our high standard of dress by ensuring that you buy the correct uniform for your child and that s/he wears it to school every day.

We reserve the right to confiscate items that do not form part of the school uniform and pupils may be sent home to change if their uniform and/or appearance is unacceptable.



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The wearing of school uniform is something we hope all pupils will take pride in and parents are requested to make every effort to ensure their child(ren) arrive in school dressed accordingly. Our policy is based on the belief that a school uniform:

- promotes a sense of pride in the school
- engenders a feeling of belonging
- is practical and distinctive
- identifies the children with the school
- is not distracting in class (as fashion clothing might be)
- makes children feel equal to one another in terms of appearance
- reflects the sense both of community and of diversity that the school takes pride in
- is regarded as suitable, and good value for money, by most parents.



- Blazer:Black with King Edward VI BalaamWood Academy Logo
- **Jumper**: Grey with blue edging (*jumpers are optional*)
- Shirt: Plain white
 - This will button up to the neck and be suitable for wearing with a tie.
 - Tie: Blue striped
- Black school tailored trousers
 - No turn ups, skinny, leggings, hipsters, black jeans or jeggings
- Black skirt Not tight or mini
- Shoes Black Leather or leather look shoes
 No trainers of any kind





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Examples of Acceptable Trousers



Black school approved, tailored trousers, not fashion trousers or jeans



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Examples of Unacceptable Trousers



No flared trousers, turn ups, skinny, leggings, hipsters, black jeans or jeggings



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Examples of Acceptable Skirts







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Examples of Unacceptable Skirts













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Examples of Acceptable Shoes

Formal black leather or leather look school shoes with a low broad heel *No trainers of any kind No coloured shoes*























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P.E Kit



Sports Shirt



Shorts



Navy Blue Socks



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• **Bag** Must be a suitable size to carry A4 books and equipment

Equipment

 Equipment Planner Pencil case with a minimum of: Black pens Blue pes Pencils **Pencil Sharpener** Eraser Ruler **Glue Stick**





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Uniform Make Up/Nails Jewellery Hair Make Up/Nails

- No excessive makeup, *pupils will be asked to remove any excess make-up*
- no nail varnish, no acrylic or stick on nails
- no false eyelashes
- Jewellery
- No facial piercings/ tongue piercings
- Only one pair of earrings and these must be studs
- No other jewellery is permitted this includes, bracelets, necklaces and rings
- Watches are permitted

• Hair

- Must be smart in appearance no lines or patterns shaved into the hair
- Sensible natural hair colour, no brightly coloured hair, no unnatural hair colours
- No large hair accessories



Pupil noncompliance

DFE School Uniform Guidance Sep 2013

- Teachers can discipline pupils for breaching the school's rules on appearance or uniform. This should be carried out in accordance with the school's published behaviour policy.
- A head teacher, or a person authorised by the head teacher, may ask a pupil to go home briefly to remedy a breach of the school's rules on appearance or uniform.
- When making this decision schools need to consider the child's age and vulnerability, the ease and time it will take, and the availability of the child's parents. This is not an exclusion but an authorised absence. However, if the pupil continues to breach uniform rules in such a way as to be sent home to avoid school, or takes longer than is strictly necessary to effect the change, the pupil's absence may be counted as an unauthorised absence. In either case the pupil's parents must be notified and the absence should be recorded.