



## Uniform Policy

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## Introduction

Founded by Royal Charter in 1873, King's College is acclaimed in the United Kingdom for its outstanding academic standards and focus on the needs of the 'whole child'. It was one of the first schools globally to advocate a holistic education – one which prizes each child's identity as an individual as much as their knowledge.

King's College Doha offers boys and girls aged three to eighteen a prestigious all-round education, based on two iconic campuses in Doha, and aspires to becoming the leading British school in the Middle East. We welcome pupils from all over the world to appreciate a first-rate British independent school education that embraces the values, ethos and excellence of our famous sister school, King's College UK.

King's College Doha, sister school to King's UK, was established in 2016 and shares the number one school ranking in Qatar. King's Doha is located at two state-of-the-art campuses: the Al Thumama Campus (for Pre-Prep pupils aged 3-7) and the Mesaimeer Campus (for Prep and Senior School pupils, aged 7-18).

Our holistic curriculum has been refined over 140 years of teaching excellence and is rich in variety, including art, music, drama and sport. Specialist teachers are assigned for each subject to allow optimum learning, which is a unique approach when compared with other schools in Qatar.

We welcome prospective pupils and families to visit our campuses and meet our teachers to learn more about King's Doha.

## Vision

The vision of King's College Doha is to lead education in Qatar and, in time, to set the standard for British international schooling across the Middle East.

We provide a comprehensive professional learning programme for our staff, and are committed to providing ever more opportunities for our people to share ideas with their counterparts at King's College UK. Over the months and years ahead, staff and pupils can anticipate participating in exchange opportunities, digital 'how we do things' conversations, shared House competitions and more.

## Aim

At King's, we believe that a school uniform plays an important role in creating a focused, respectful, and inclusive learning environment. Our uniform policy is designed to promote a sense of unity, reduce distractions, and encourage students to take pride in their appearance and their school.

By wearing a uniform, students represent the values and standards of our school both on and off campus. Together, we can foster a positive school culture where students feel confident, prepared, and ready to learn.

## EYFS Uniform

It is important that children learn to take pride in their school uniform and present themselves neatly, as doing so reflects a positive attitude to school life in general.

The uniform requirements for pupils in Early Years are as follows:

### Girls and Boys

- Sports polo shirt with school crest
- House sports shirt
- Sun hat/baseball cap with school crest

- Plain black shoes (not trainers)
- Swimming kit with school crest (including swimming cap)
- Small School bag (No wheels)

#### Boys Only

- Grey Trousers
- Grey Shorts
- Jumper/Sleeveless jumper with school crest
- White polo shirt

#### Girls Only

- Dress with school crest
- Cardigan with school crest

It is essential that all uniforms and PE kits are clearly labelled with your child's name. It is inevitable that children will misplace some of their belongings, but it will be virtually impossible to find them if they are not correctly labelled.

On the days that children have PE, they should come to school in their PE kit in the morning. When children have swimming, they should also come to school in their PE kit and they will then change for swimming before the start of the lesson.

Children will be asked to wear their House shirts during House events. You will be informed in advance if your child is required to wear this shirt.

### Upper Pre-Prep Uniform

It is important that children learn to take pride in their school uniform and present themselves neatly, as doing so reflects a positive attitude to school life in general.

The uniform requirements for pupils in Upper Pre-Prep are as follows:

#### Girls and Boys

- Sports polo shirt with school crest
- House sports shirt
- Sun hat/baseball cap with school crest
- Plain black shoes (not trainers)
- Swimming kit with school crest (including swimming cap)
- Small School bag (No wheels)

#### Boys Only

- Grey Trousers
- Grey Shorts
- Jumper/Sleeveless jumper with school crest
- White polo shirt

## **Girls Only**

- Dress with school crest
- Cardigan with school crest

It is essential that all uniforms and PE kits are clearly labelled with your child's name. It is inevitable that children will misplace some of their belongings, but it will be virtually impossible to find them if they are not correctly labelled.

On the days that children have PE, they should come to school in their PE kit in the morning. When children have swimming, they should also come to school in their PE kit and they will then change for swimming before the start of the lesson.

Children will be asked to wear their House shirts during House events. You will be informed in advance if your child is required to wear this shirt.

## **Lower School Uniform**

Pupils should come to school dressed smartly in their school uniform each morning. On the days that pupils have PE or swimming, they should arrive to school in their PE kit.

Pupils will be asked to wear their House shirts to school on special occasions such as Sports Days or certain House events. You will be informed in advance if your child is required to wear this shirt.

All school uniform can be purchased at the Uniform Shop, or you can source this elsewhere should you wish. We will be unable to supply the logo.

The uniform requirements for Lower School pupils are as follows:

### **Girls and Boys**

- Prep School tie
- White shirt with school crest
- Blazer with school crest
- Plain black shoes (not trainers)
- Book bag with school crest

### **Boys Only**

- Grey trousers
- Grey shorts
- Jumper/sleeveless jumper with school crest
- Sun hat/baseball cap with school crest
- Large backpack with school crest

### **Girls Only**

- Tartan kilt
- Cardigan with school crest
- Blue/tartan hair scrunchie for tying back long hair

## **PE Kit**

- Sports polo shirt with school crest
- House sports shirt
- PE bag with school crest
- Swimming kit with school crest (including swimming cap)
- Navy shorts for boys (knee length)
- Navy tracksuit bottoms for girls

It is essential that all uniforms and PE kits are clearly labelled with your child's name. It is inevitable that children will misplace some of their belongings, but it will be virtually impossible to find them if they are not correctly labelled.

## **Middle School Uniform**

Pupils should come to school dressed smartly in their school uniform each morning. Please note: only Year 5 and Year 6 are permitted to arrive at school in their PE kit on days that they have a PE lesson or a sport-related Co-Curricular Activity, Y7 and above are to use the changing facilities at our Mesaimeer campus.

Pupils will be asked to wear their House shirts to school on the first Thursday of the month and on special occasions such as Sports Days or certain House events. You will be informed in advance if your child is required to wear this shirt.

All school uniforms can be purchased at the Zak's Trading Uniform Shop, which is a short drive from the school, or you can order uniform online.

The uniform requirements for Middle School pupils are as follows:

### **Girls and Boys**

- Prep School tie
- White shirt with school crest
- Blazer with school crest
- Plain black shoes
- Book bag with school crest

### **Boys Only**

- Grey trousers
- Grey shorts
- Jumper/sleeveless jumper with school crest
- Sun hat/baseball cap with school crest
- Large backpack with school crest

### **Girls Only**

- Tartan kilt with tights
- Cardigan with school crest
- Blue/tartan hair scrunchie for tying back long hair

- Black tights or grey school trousers

### **PE Kit**

- Sports polo shirt with school crest
- Navy shorts for boys (knee length)
- Navy tracksuit bottoms for girls
- House sports shirt
- PE bag with school crest
- Swimming kit with school crest (including swimming cap)

It is essential that all uniforms and PE kits are clearly labelled with your child's name. It is inevitable that children will misplace some of their belongings, but it will be virtually impossible to find them if they are not correctly labelled.

## **Upper School Uniform**

Pupils should come to school dressed smartly in their school uniform each morning. Please note: they are no longer required to arrive at school in their PE kit on days that they have a PE lesson or a sport-related Co-Curricular Activity.

Pupils will be asked to wear their House shirts to school on special occasions such as Sports Days or certain House events. You will be informed in advance if your child is required to wear this shirt.

All school uniforms can be purchased at the Uniform Shop, which is a short drive from the school, or you can order uniform online. You are also able to source your uniform elsewhere should you wish.

The uniform requirements for Upper School pupils are as follows:

### **Standard School Uniform**

1. Blue School Shirt
2. Senior School Tie (boys only)
3. Dark Grey Trousers or Dark Grey Skirt (Below the knee)
4. Grey Blazer or Navy Blue Jumper
5. Black tights for girls
6. Plain black shoes

Please note that if our female pupils wear a skirt below the knee, they must also wear tights.

### **PE Kit**

- House sports shirt
- Navy shorts for boys (Knee length)
- Navy tracksuit bottoms or leggings for girls

It is essential that all uniforms and PE kits are clearly labelled with your child's name. It is inevitable that children will misplace some of their belongings, but it will be virtually impossible to find them if they are not correctly labelled.

## Sixth Form Uniform

Pupils should come to school dressed smartly each morning. Please note: they are not allowed to arrive at school in their PE kit on days that they have a PE lesson or a sport-related Co-Curricular Activity.

Pupils will be asked to wear their House shirts to school on special occasions such as Sports Days or certain House events. You will be informed in advance if your child is required to wear this shirt.

The dress code requirements for Sixth Form students are as follows:

### **Gentlemen (Business attire)**

- Smart trousers
- Formal plain shirt
- Smart tie
- Plain pullover (optional)
- Suit jacket (optional)
- Formal polishable shoes

### **Ladies (Business attire but culturally sensitive)**

- Formal trousers or skirt - below the knee
- Formal, non-hooded top - plain or subtle patterns, covered shoulders, of appropriate cut)
- Formal blazer (optional)
- Plain tights if a skirt is worn.
- Formal shoes

### **PE Kit**

- Sports attire suitable for PE or a King's PE T-Shirt
- House sports shirt (optional)
- Optional navy tracksuit trousers

Updated requirements to adhere to the Qatari cultural expectations:

- Adherence to the modest school uniform that aligns with the values of Qatari society.
- Emphasising to female students that the fabric must be non-transparent and not reveal body contours in all types of attire (school uniform, sports attire, swimming attire).
- Adherence to previously issued controls prohibiting mixing between male and female students in swimming lessons starting from the fourth grade of primary school and above.
- The choice between the Qatari national dress (Thobe) and the school uniform is subject to the school's policy.
- The requirements and controls specified in this circular generally apply to private schools that do not adopt a student school uniform, in terms of the specifications for shirt length, skirts, swimming attire, and sports attire.

| Gender          | Males                                                                                    | Females                                                                                  |
|-----------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Formal Attire   | Shirt with long or short sleeves                                                         | Shirt with long or short sleeves                                                         |
|                 |                                                                                          | Shirt with long sleeves (from Grade 7 and above)                                         |
|                 | Trousers or sports shorts (not rising above the knee from Grade 4 and above)             | Trousers or sports shorts (not rising above the knee from Grade 4 and above)             |
|                 |                                                                                          | Trousers or sports shorts (with female socks - bike shorts if not wearing shorts)        |
|                 | Wide-leg trousers (from Grade 4 and above)                                               | Wide-leg trousers (from Grade 4 and above)                                               |
| Sports Attire   | P.E. attire designed for the activity with long/short sleeves, not rising above the knee | P.E. attire designed for the activity with long/short sleeves, not rising above the knee |
| Swimming Attire | Swimming attire designed for swimming with long/short sleeves and not tight-fitting.     | Swimming attire designed for swimming with long/short sleeves and not tight-fitting.     |

Useful links

[Zaks uniform guide.pdf](#)

## Policy History

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