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Dear Parents/Guardians,

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We would like to take this opportunity to write to you about King's Meadow School's agreed dress code to aid with the purchasing of new uniform over the summer holidays. There appears to be some confusion amongst some pupils about what is appropriate school uniform, therefore we felt that it would be helpful if we clarified some areas.

King's Meadow School uniform consists of:

A pair of sensible black school shoes

A white polo shirt / white blouse / button-up shirt

A navy blue sweatshirt (logo optional) or cardigan

Black or dark grey trousers, skirt or tailored shorts (smart culottes are also acceptable) or pinafore dress

Plain tights (grey, navy or black)

A Navy/blue 'gingham' summer dress

School fleece (optional)

A coat or waterproof jacket

Polo shirts, sweatshirts and cardigans which are manufactured with the school logo embroidered on the front can be purchased from Price & Buckland (our uniform provider). The PTA also run a second-hand uniform shop, which stocks a range of good quality used items.

Please be aware – It is not compulsory for school uniform to carry the school logo. However, uniform containing the school logo does increase a sense of pupil identity with the school and can make it easier for parents to decide what is/is not appropriate for school uniform.

The following items of clothing are **not** appropriate school uniform:

Jeans or skinny jean like trousers

Patterned tights Leggings (either instead of trousers or instead of tights)

Tracksuit bottoms

Hooded tops (either worn instead of school jumpers or as coats)

Flip flops

Shoes with high heels or wedges

Slippers

Trainers





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PE Kit

A plain white T-shirt or navy KMS Sports Team Top
Blue or black shorts
Plimsolls for indoor use
Training shoes for outdoor games
Tracksuit trousers and warm top for outdoor games.

These items should preferably be kept in a drawstring bag, or smaller shoulder bag that does not take up too much cloakroom space and should be in school all week. We often have issues with pupils saying that their kit is at home because they 'didn't think PE was on that day.' Children should not wear any of the same clothes for PE that they have worn for the rest of the day.

The following items of clothing are **not** appropriate to wear as PE kit:

Replica football kits
T-shirts with large logos
Hi-top trainers

Please be aware – You may now purchase a King's Meadow School sports T-shirt, which can be worn for PE lessons and when representing school teams.

Swimming

Children in Years 3 to 6 also require a swimming kit which should include:

A one-piece swimming costume for girls
Swimming trunks or shorts for boys (long shorts are not suitable as these make it more difficult for children learning to swim)
A towel
A swimming hat

Please be aware that, should swimming goggles be needed, a letter from parents/carers is required. This will be explained in the start of year swimming letter.

We also ask that all items of clothing or footwear are clearly marked with the child's name.





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Jewellery

The only jewellery that is permitted at school is one pair of simple stud earrings and/or a wrist watch. Children wearing necklaces, wrist bands, bracelets etc. will be asked to remove them.

An LA regulation also forbids the wearing of jewellery in schools for physical activities, including PE and games lessons and also swimming. If your child has recently had their ears pierced, then please provide 'micropore' tape for them to cover their earrings whilst participating in PE lessons.

Make Up

Make-up of any kind (including nail varnish) is not permitted.

Hair accessories

We would ask you to keep hair accessories simple and avoid items like large bands, bows, flowers and bandanas.

* Please note that long hair should be tied back, so that it is not a distraction in the classroom or a safety hazard during PE sessions. This will also help with avoiding the spread of headlice.

Although this may seem like a list of 'do not's', we felt that, as parents, you would appreciate clear guidelines when discussing school uniform or shopping for new items with your children. We also feel that, for the vast majority of pupils and parents who adhere to the guidelines, it is fair that these are enforced properly across the school and that incorrect uniform is addressed. If you have any questions or comments, please do not hesitate to contact either of us.

We thank you for your continued backing with our school uniform and, as a result, with your help in maintaining the high standards that we hope are associated with all aspects of the school.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs L Daulton
Headteacher

