

WKGS Sixth Form Dress Code

The Sixth Form is a more adult part of the school community, where students are given greater independence and responsibility, including how they choose to present themselves. Students are encouraged to express their identity and personal style whilst maintaining a smart and respectful environment for learning and preparation for life beyond school.

What works well

Students should aim for a smart, well-presented style of dress, similar to what would be appropriate in many workplaces or universities.

This might include items such as:

- Trousers/bottoms, skirts or dresses
- shirts, blouses or smart tops
- knitwear or smart casual clothing

Smart trainers or other suitable footwear are permitted, provided they are clean and appropriate for school.

Clothing should be neat, comfortable and suitable for a day of learning in school, and not overly casual or revealing.

Students must wear their lanyard at all times while on site.

Students studying practical subjects such as Art, Design Technology or Science should ensure their clothing and footwear meet health and safety requirements. Staff will advise where needed.

What doesn't work

Clothing that would normally be considered sportswear, beachwear or very casual leisurewear is not appropriate during the school day. This includes items such as:

- leggings, jeans, hoodies, sports or gym wear (unless required for a specific activity)
- flip flops, crocs or beach-style footwear
- Very oversized, ripped items of clothing
- clothing with offensive language or inappropriate graphics
- clothing with large or prominent brand logos must be avoided so that no student feels pressure to wear particular brands or labels

Representing WKGS at formal events

When representing the school at events such as Open Evenings, interviews or official photographs, students may be asked to wear more formal clothes – usually black and white.

A helpful guide

A useful question when choosing what to wear is:

"Would this be appropriate to wear to a part-time job, workplace or interview?"

If the answer is no, it is unlikely to be suitable for school.

Students are trusted to make sensible choices about their appearance. If a member of staff feels that clothing is not appropriate for school, they will discuss this with the student and ask them to make an alternative choice.

The final decision on whether clothing is appropriate rests with the Sixth Form team