

Uniform Policy

For Joseph Clarke School

Key Elements

This policy sets out the expectations for pupils to wear and purchase the correct uniform representing the school. It includes our aims and details uniform items.

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Introduction

Pupils at Joseph Clarke School are expected to wear the uniform in its entirety on all occasions, unless there has been official notification of a non-uniform event that may be running at the school. Joseph Clarke School uniform is an important part of collective identity and sense of community. It is important that students present themselves as ambassadors of the school at all times including when they are in public places or travelling to and from Joseph Clarke School.

All students are expected to wear the uniform detailed below. This uniform will be checked on a daily basis by staff, and parents will be informed if the uniform code is breached.

If preferred, you have the option of purchasing non-branded items as set out below.

Aims

This policy aims to:

- encourage self-respect and pride in Joseph Clarke School.
- help promote the academic ethos of the school as a well-ordered disciplined environment in which to learn.
- ensure that students are well presented and smart.

Uniform

The school no longer supplies uniform items or processes uniform orders. Parents/Carers should order and pay for uniform items directly through Speed Stitch.

All school uniform items are available to purchase directly from Speed Stitch or supermarkets.

To purchase uniform via Speed Stitch, please click the link below, or alternatively scan the QR code:

<https://speedstitch.co.uk/product-category/schools/joseph-clarke/>



For further information regarding available items, sizing, pricing, and delivery arrangements, please contact Speed Stitch directly.

Second-hand Uniform:

Joseph Clarke School recognises the importance of keeping the cost of school uniform affordable for families.

To support this initiative, a selection of good quality second-hand uniform is available, free of purchase, to parents and carers. Families, including prospective parents, are welcome to contact the school office for more information about current availability and how to access these second-hand items.

Where possible, second-hand uniform stands, known as our 'Swap Shop' will be available at some of our school events.

If you would like to donate second-hand uniform, you can drop these items off at Reception. Please ensure that the uniform is clean, washed and in a good, wearable and usable condition e.g. no stains/marks, holes, signs of heavy wear or heavy fading etc. Zippers and button holes must also be functional.

Due to allergies, we are unable to accept items from homes with pets.



The uniform is:	<u>Nursery to Year 11</u> Branded items: ● Red polo shirt ● Grey sweatshirt Non-branded items: ● Light grey sweatshirt ● Red polo shirt ● Grey trousers/grey skirt/grey shorts ● Red checked pinafore ● Black shoes
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	P.E. (<i>Early years and primary pupils can come to school dressed in their PE kit for the lesson</i>). Non-branded items: ● White polo shirt ● Black tracksuit bottoms or shorts ● Black jumper (optional) ● Trainers or plimsoles ● P.E. Bag
	Sixth Form Non-branded items: ● White blouse/white shirt/white polo shirt ● Black skirt or trousers ● Black jumper ● Black shoes (smart trainers allowed)

	Jewellery and Hair: No jewellery is to be worn except for one small, discreet gold or silver ear stud in the lower lobe of each ear. Watches and jewellery of religious significance is acceptable. Hair must be worn in a style appropriate to a school environment. Bright hair colours are not allowed. We hold no responsibility for any items lost.
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**Highams Park Students:****Branded items:**

- Black blazer with emblem
- Tie (*also available to purchase from Highams Park School Reception*)

Non-branded items:

- White shirt or blouse
- Grey skirt or trousers
- Grey jumper (optional)

Branded items available to purchase from:

Speed Stitch
Unit 32, Walthamstow Business
Centre Clifford Road
Walthamstow
London E17
4SX

Tel: 020 8531 4800

Email: shop@speedstitch.co.uk

Website: <http://shop.speedstitch.co.uk>



Guidelines

- Collars must be visible when a jumper is worn.
- Trousers are to be of a formal, not casual type.
- Jewellery should be kept to a minimum as set out above.

The following should **not** be worn:

- Denim of any kind.
- Suede or furry boots e.g. Uggs
- Flip flops or similar backless footwear.
- Open-toed sandals.
- T-shirts with large logos or slogans.
- 'Hoody' tops.

Monitoring, Evaluation and Review

The board of Trustees will review this policy at least every two years and assess its implementation and effectiveness. The policy will be promoted and implemented throughout Joseph Clarke School.