John Mason School
OPPORTUNITY | RESPECT | DETERMINATION

Uniform Policy

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Introduction

At John Mason School, our uniform supports our core values of Opportunity, Respect and Determination. By ensuring all students are dressed appropriately for school, we create a positive and focused environment where every student has the opportunity to succeed.

Wearing our uniform with pride demonstrates respect for our school community and helps promote a sense of belonging and equality among students. It also reflects the determination we expect from all students to be ready to learn and represent the school positively.

Our uniform also plays an important role in preparing students for life beyond school, helping to develop standards of personal presentation, responsibility and professionalism that are expected in further education and the workplace.

We aim to ensure that our uniform is practical, inclusive and offers good value for money, whilst maintaining high standards for all.

Pre-loved Uniform

In addition to purchasing school uniform from Price & Buckland, families can buy good-quality pre-loved branded uniform items from the school for **£3 per item**. Pre-loved uniform sales are held **three times per year, once each term**, and items can also be purchased throughout the year via Reception or by contacting the school office at **office@johnmason.school**. This service supports affordability and sustainability by providing families with a low-cost alternative for obtaining school uniform.

School Uniform – Inside & Outside the School Buildings

Plain white collared **shirt** buttoned to the neck; A plain white T-shirt may be worn underneath the shirt; Other than a fitted blouse, all shirts must be tucked in at all times and fastened to the neck line. **Summer Uniform –** white polo shirt with JMS logo.
The school **tie** must be knotted and hide the top button It needs to be of a reasonable length (covering at least four buttons) and look smart; A tie is to be worn on all occasions, except if the student wears a polo shirt in the summer.
John Mason School **jumper**, to be worn except when given permission by a member of staff; No jumper required when summer uniform commences.
Plain formal black **skirt** of knee length or black tailored **trousers**. No jean/denim, tracksuit or legging material. A small/ thin black **belt** may be worn only if the trousers/ skirt are fitted with the appropriate loops. Trousers are not to be worn rolled up at the ankle. In the summer term (After Easter), students may wear suitable length black tailored shorts. No sports shorts or jean/denim material allowed. Shorts should be of a suitable length that protect modesty (discretion of SLT)
Plain black low heeled **shoes** or plain black trainers with black laces with no logos /coloured laces/ coloured soles
Plain black or dark grey plain **socks** or black or natural **tights** (orange PE socks may only be work during PE lessons).

Jewellery	Coats & Jackets	Make up / Hair / Nails
In the interests of safety and security jewellery must be kept to a minimum and not exceed the following: **Watch** – all students are recommended to wear a watch every day. **Earrings** – one simple metal, non -jewel plain stud may be worn but only in the ear lobe of each ear. No other jewellery or body piercing is allowed. Inappropriate jewellery and plastic retainers must be taken out, NOT covered with a plaster. All jewellery is to be removed when taking part in PE.	Hooded fleece jackets (hoodie) are not allowed to be worn and coats must not have large writing on them. No denim jackets. Only hoods attached to raincoats may be worn. Hats/caps are not allowed and may only be worn for specific events during the height of the summer or winter.	Make up, if worn, should be minimal and discreet. Hair should be within the natural range of colours. No extreme hair styles are allowed e.g. shaved head, shaved patterns. Colour nail varnish is NOT allowed.

PLEASE LABEL/NAME ALL ITEMS OF SCHOOL UNIFORM

Parents are asked to support the school by ensuring that that their student has all the above uniform and that it is named and worn correctly
Parents accept responsibility if injury comes as a result of inadequate footwear in Technology classes.
Students are expected to follow all reasonable requests in regard to their uniform.
Failure to do so will result in sanctions for defiance or refusal to follow instructions.

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Top half - school house polo shirt or GCSE Polo shirt (From Year 10) if undertaking GCSE PE course.



House polo shirt



GCSE Polo shirt

Outdoor top - When weather is cold the school outdoor top with buttons, or the school outdoor top with zip can be worn. Compression/thermal/skin tops can also be worn underneath these tops and the polo shirts.



School outdoor top with buttons



Compression / Thermal top



School outdoor top With zip

Bottom half – A number of different items can be worn on the bottom half of the body, such as black tracksuit bottoms, black sports leggings (not normal leggings), black shorts, or skorts (sports skirt with shorts embedded in them).
Black athletics shorts must be a minimum length of **7 inches or longer**. If they are too short students will be told they are not allowed to wear them, and to purchase a new longer pair.



Tracksuit Bottoms



Sports Leggings



Sports Shorts



Athletic Shorts
(7 inch length)



Skort

Trainers – any colour can be worn, but not school shoes.



Studded Boots – For autumn, winter and spring terms when it is normally wet and muddy, boots should be worn as a matter of safety.



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Hats & gloves- Beanie hats and sports gloves can be worn when the weather is cold, but the PE staff decide when it's appropriate for them to be worn. In the summer baseball caps can be worn.



Beanie hat



Sports gloves



Baseball cap

Socks – Orange or black long socks should be worn in the autumn, winter and spring terms. In the summer term and in indoor lessons ankle socks or normal length socks of any colour should be worn.



Black knee length socks



Orange knee length socks



Ankle socks



normal

PE Kit Policy

Ill or injured students

If students are ill or injured they must bring a note, and bring their PE kit and wear it. Students will not take part practically in the lessons, but will help out in other roles. The only exceptions to this rule is if the student is unable to get changed due to having a cast on, or it has just been removed, or they have a bad back or neck.

Lost PE Kit

If the student has lost their PE kit, they are required to bring an alternative kit and a note from home explaining about their kit.

Forgotten kit

If the student forgets their PE kit they get a kit mark which is a warning (C2). If they forget their kit again they will receive a 1 hour after school detention (C3), and this will be the same sanction every time they forget their kit after that. **These correctives run from September to July and are not reset every term**.

Jewellery

Jewellery should be removed to avoid injury to the student and others. Sports watches should only be worn during fitness, cross country and athletics lessons.

Valuables

Valuables e.g. wallets, purses, watches and phones should be handed into the PE staff where they will be placed in the PE office. Students must not leave their valuables in the changing rooms as we cannot guarantee they will always be locked due to a number of reasons.