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School Uniform Policy

Rationale

Kilimanjaro British School has a proud reputation for high quality education and a strong sense of fairness and equality. A school uniform can make multiple contributions to these values and it can also be a support to parents. Appearance and presentation is still an important part of positive learning behaviour and it may also be important for certain careers and professions beyond school.

Uniforms make for one less distraction during school. By wearing what they like, children can become too focused on their school status rather than their studies. Fashion trends and owning the latest styles become the priority, and it could lead to a downturn in progress. A uniform removes this risk.

Wearing the same uniform instils a feeling of pride and togetherness. It fosters team spirit as everyone is easily identifiable as being on the same side. Students feel they are an important part of something bigger than themselves when in uniform. It can play an important role in promoting a sense of pride, self-confidence, and a feeling of belonging. All these factors positively contribute to pupils' overall wellbeing.

A uniform can offer parents both better value for money and also reduce the stress of clothing their children in items that may not last, be suitable for the school environment, cost too much or simply take too long to decide what to wear.

In British now the Ministry has also mandated what is culturally appropriate for all students to wear in school. A compliant policy makes this easy for all to adhere to and support British values.

Aims

- To provide clear and unequivocal guidance as to what is acceptable wear for students in KBS
- To promote fairness, equality, belonging and team spirit
- To focus attention on learning and not fashion trends
- To offer value for money to parents and avoid costly clothing items
- To reduce hassle and stress over clothing choice
- To comply with the requirements and cultural expectations of the State of British

Procedures

PLEASE NOTE- Uniform standards are now mandated by the Ministry of Education and Higher Education for all schools. It is therefore extremely important that parents and students follow the policy. If a student is not wearing the correct uniform, parents should be aware that the student will not be able to attend lessons and maybe sent home until the uniform is corrected.

Kilimanjaro British School uniform is available from Zaks or Uniform Mart Clothing Stores. All items of uniform can be purchased from these. Details can be found at [If you enter in the search bar you can find the list of products available and a location map for the stores](#)

EYFS and Primary Uniform

Boys Uniform

- KBS branded blue T-shirt
- KBS branded blue trousers/shorts. Shorts must be below the knee from Year 4 upwards
- Plain white socks
- Plain black footwear
- KBS branded fleece/jumper or plain navy-blue jumper/coat/jacket without large logos

Girls Uniform

- KBS branded blue T-shirt
- KBS branded blue trousers or skirt. Skirt must be below the knee with non-transparent tights or long socks which must be navy blue or black (Year 1 upwards)
- Plain black footwear
- KBS branded fleece/jumper or plain navy-blue jumper/coat/jacket without large logos

Boys/Girls PE kit

- KBS branded PE t-shirt
- KBS branded PE shorts/trousers - all shorts must be below the knee
- Black/white trainers (trainers or shoes with logos are not permitted)
- Leggings are not permitted on their own at any time

Students must wear the correct PE kit for PE lessons and Sporting activities. All items of the uniform including PE kit, shoes and bag must be clearly labelled with your child's full name and class.

For swimming (Years 3-6), all students need a swimming cap, goggles and a towel as well as their swimwear. Students must wear an appropriate swimming costume and not leggings and t-shirt. Boys and girls must wear short/long sleeves and shorts must cover the knee.

Full body swimming costumes are available from a range of sports shops. When swimming is being taught in P.E., parents will be notified in advance to ensure all students bring their swimming kit on the appropriate days.

Accessories:

- Students may wear a watch on their wrist.
- Girls may wear small stud earrings if ears are pierced. No other jewellery (e.g. rings, necklaces, bracelets) are permitted.
- Boys: no jewellery to be worn.
- Headbands can be worn, which must be plain black or plain navy-blue.

Bags:

Students are asked to only bring small rucksacks to school - these should not be on wheels.

- FS1- Year 2- Book bags are available at ZAK Uniform
- Year 3-6- KBS branded rucksack is available at ZAK Uniform

Hair and Headwear:

- No extreme haircuts or unnatural colour-dyed hair is allowed.
- If girls wish to wear a headscarf/veil/Hijab, this must be plain white, plain black or plain navy-blue.
- KBS branded hats can be worn during break times or outdoor PE lessons

Non-uniform days:

Students can wear clothing of their own choice on non-uniform and dress-down days as appropriate to the theme of the day. The standards of appearance as detailed above apply on non-uniform days, and all clothing must follow local laws, morals, and values.

Secondary School Uniform

Girls uniform:

Years 7-11

- KBS-branded light blue woven (covering the elbow)
- Navy-blue formal trousers, loose fit
- Navy-blue formal skirt, loose fit and must cover the knees
- KBS-branded navy-blue V-neck sweater
- KBS-branded navy-blue fleece jacket
- Plain black footwear

Years 12 & 13

- KBS-branded white woven (covering the elbow)
- Navy-blue formal trousers, loose fit
- Navy-blue formal skirt, loose fit and must cover the knees
- KBS-branded navy-blue V-neck sweater

- KBS-branded navy-blue fleece jacket
- Seniors' KBS-approved jacket/hoodie
- Plain black footwear

Boys uniform:

Years 7-11

- KBS-branded light blue woven shirt
- Navy-blue formal trousers
- KBS-branded navy-blue V-neck sweater
- KBS-branded navy-blue fleece jacket
- Plain black footwear

Years 12 & 13

- KBS-branded white woven shirt
- Navy-blue formal trousers
- KBS-branded navy-blue V-neck sweater
- KBS-branded navy-blue fleece jacket
- Seniors' KBS-approved jacket/hoodie
- Plain black footwear

Uniform clarifications:

- All students must wear complete and correct school uniform when attending school, including for external examinations that may take place outside of school hours or on a Friday.
- Students are expected to always maintain a clean and tidy appearance. Only the top button of the shirt may be undone.
- Footwear must be plain black with no images/symbols or white bands/soles. High heels and platform shoes are not permitted.
- If not wearing the school-branded fleece or the school-branded jumper, a plain navy-blue coat/jacket without large logos and without a hood may be worn to stay warm, but only outside buildings. It must be removed inside buildings.
- Girls: If the school uniform skirt is worn instead of trousers, it must cover the knee, including when the student is seated. This must be worn with non-transparent plain white or black high socks or tights.

Jewellery & Makeup:

- Students may wear a watch or similar fitness-tracking device on their wrist.
- Visible body piercings or tattoos are not permitted.
- Girls are permitted to wear discreet makeup and have clear/natural-looking nail varnish on short nails. Wearing extreme/bright nail varnish or false nails is not permitted. The school's decision will be final on what is appropriate or not.
- Girls may wear one set of plain small stud-type earrings. No rings, bracelets, necklaces, or any other visible jewellery, apart from discreet jewellery worn for religious reasons, is permitted.
- Boys: no jewellery should be worn.

Hair & Headwear:

- No extreme haircuts or unnatural colour-dyed hair is allowed. Boys with hair longer than collar length must ensure hair is tied up neatly.
- Girls: long hair (beyond shoulder length) must be tied back during relevant activities and as instructed by the teacher, particularly in Science, Design Technology and PE lessons.
- Students may wear plain caps outside buildings, in line with our uniform colours. This must be removed during lessons times and inside buildings.
- If girls wish to wear a headscarf/veil, this must be plain black or plain navy-blue.

Physical Education

KBS-branded PE kit items are available from the uniform shops.

- KBS-branded PE kit blue t-shirt
- KBS-branded PE kit blue shorts or tracksuit trousers
- If wearing the KBS-branded PE kit blue shorts for PE lessons, they must be ordered so they cover the knees (both boys and girls), and girls must wear leggings underneath.
- If wearing the KBS-branded PE kit blue shorts for PE lessons, students must wear the KBS-branded PE kit blue tracksuit bottoms outside of PE lessons (both boys and girls).
- Leggings are not permitted on their own at any time.

Swimming = all children need a swimming hat, goggles and a towel as well as their costume. Girls should wear a one-piece swimming costume and not a bikini.

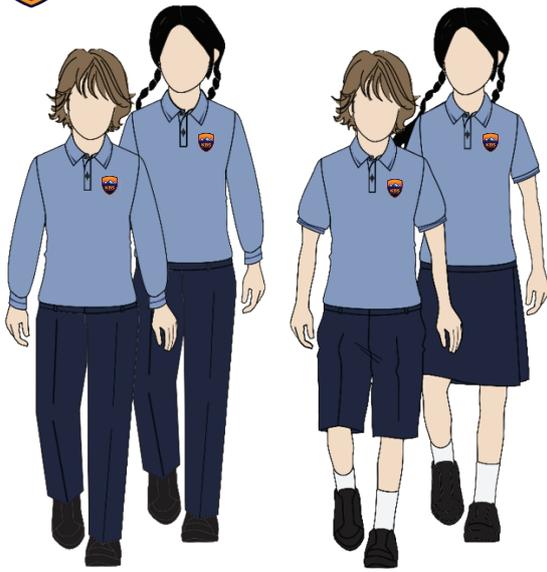
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- Clothes must cover shoulders, chest, and abdomens, and skirts/dresses or shorts must cover the knee, including when the student is seated.
- Flip-flops or sliders are not permitted to be worn.
- No offensive, rude or inappropriate language or logos should be worn.



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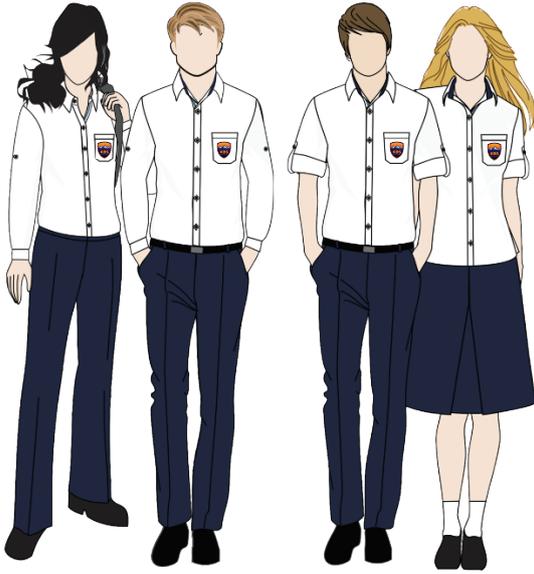


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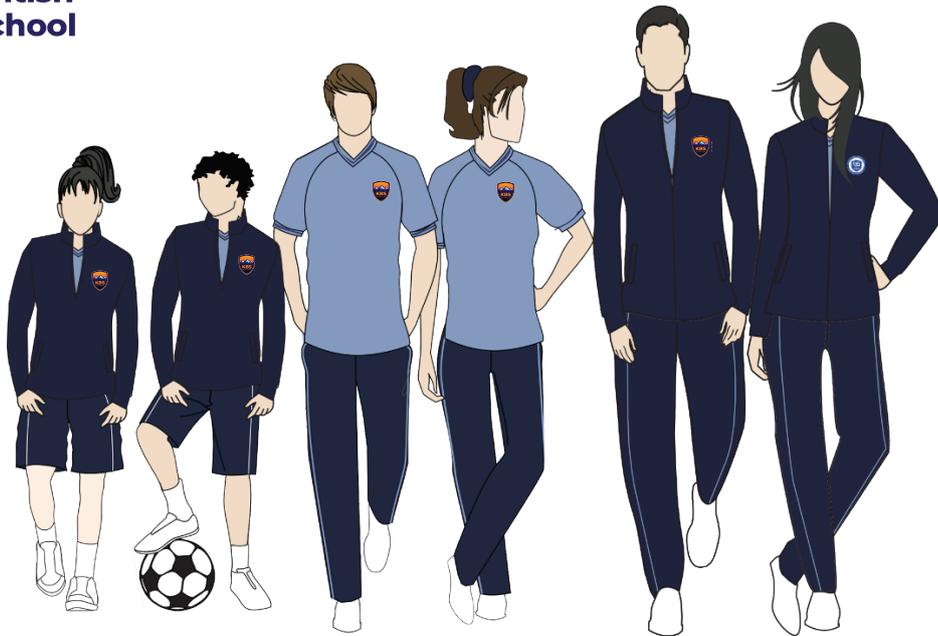


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