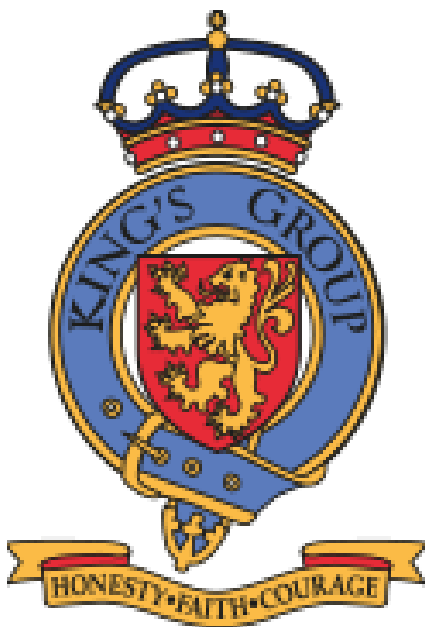


WEEK ENDING 19TH MAY 2023

# KINGS ACADEMY BINFIELD & OAKWOOD SECONDARY NEWSLETTER



## MESSAGE FROM MRS MOORE

Dear Parents and Carers,

Year 11 and Year 2 have all got off to an excellent start to their GCSE exams and KS1 assessments this week. Well done to all our students and, in the words of the Disney character Pooh Bear, my message to students is... "Remember, you are braver than you believe, stronger than you feel and smarter than you think". We continue to wish all our students the very best of luck, we know they can all DARE to be Remarkable.

Kind regards

Mrs Moore

## UNIFORM POLICY REVIEW – UPADTE

Dear Parents and Carers,

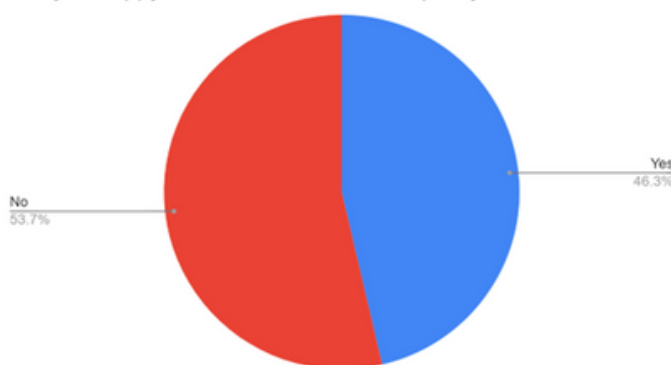
Thank you for the feedback you gave to our uniform policy review, we were delighted to get so many people's feedback, please be assured we have taken this feedback seriously and, as a result, have made changes to the uniform policy from September 2023. I have attached the draft policy to this letter, please remember this is draft and will only come into force from September 2023. The current policy stands until then.

There were 315 responses across both primary and secondary parents.

There were 246 responses across secondary students.

### Parents Response

Are you happy with the current uniform policy?



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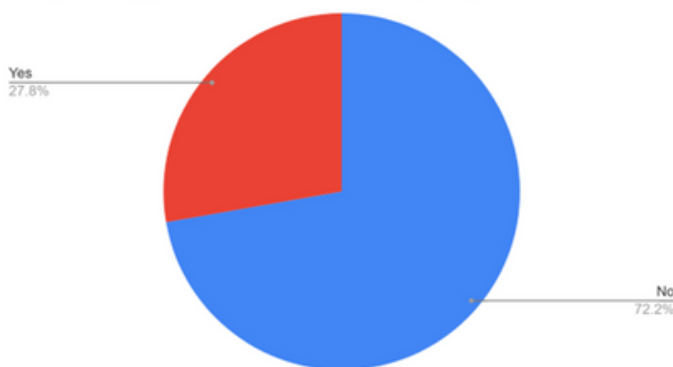


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## Students Response

Are you happy with the current uniform policy?



We are going out to tender for a new uniform supplier, Stevensons remain our uniform supplier currently.

One of the main reasons cited as being the reason for the unhappiness with the uniform policy was the cost, therefore we have negotiated a discount of 20% with Stevensons. This discount is available if you purchase vouchers from school to use to purchase the school uniform.

The discount of 20% applies to all items of uniform that are paid for using vouchers. Vouchers can be purchased through the school. You will be able to purchase a voucher for the value of £50 for the price of £41 and a voucher for the value of £100 for the price of £81.

The vouchers can be purchased through school comms from week beginning 22nd May 2023.

Vouchers must be purchased by Monday 26th June if you wish to purchase these through school.

Stevensons will be in attendance at KAB on Thursday 6th July from 2pm – 7:00pm for a sizing event as their current store is closed, you will also be able to place uniform orders at this time. Uniform can still be ordered through Stevensons' website in the meantime.

I attach the draft uniform policy to this newsletter, this is due to be confirmed in the next half term. Key changes are:

- The removal of so many compulsory branded PE items – please see the policy for further details.
- The removal of the branding from the primary school shirts and summer dress
- The addition of black tailored shorts for all year groups
- Gradual fades are now permitted to short hair
- Long hair must be tied back fully for practical subjects only
- Coats can be of any colour but must remain plain and unbranded

These changes do not come into effect until September 2023.



It is important to us that we continue to uphold high standards of appearance in all aspects of school life, so please do ensure that any items you purchase are in line with the clear expectations listed in the school's uniform policy.

We thank you in advance for your support with this moving forwards.

## **FACTSHEET FOR PARENTS/CARERS ABOUT EXAMS THIS SUMMER**

A new [factsheet for parents/carers of students taking exams this summer](#) has been published by the DfE, providing information on exam arrangements and support available for their children.

## **CAREERS WEBINAR – TEXTILES**

Please see page 4 for a poster about the latest Adviza Industry Webinar on Textiles which takes place on Tuesday 23 May 2023 from 6.00 pm to 7.00 pm

Bookings are free and can be made via the [Events](#) page on the Adviza Careers Portal. This webinar is suitable for all year groups and anyone is welcome to join in. If you require any further details, please email: [careersguidance@adviza.org.uk](mailto:careersguidance@adviza.org.uk)



## **ROTARY CLUB – BRACKNELL TOGETHER WALK**

the Rotary Club of Easthampstead. are organising The Bracknell Together Walk. This fun event is a great way for friends, family, students, parents or colleagues to have a good time, get some exercise and raise money for your school or a charity of your choice.

The Walk is accessible to people of all ages and abilities with routes of approx 5km, 7.5km or 10km. You choose the route that suits you. Every walker receives a goody bag, a commemorative certificate to remember the day. And, If you want, you can really enter into the spirit of the day and have your face painted for free! There's also £1000 in cash prizes to be won by the participating groups or individuals that make the most impact on the day.

It's easy and inexpensive to register for the Bracknell Together Walk and all accompanied under 14s go free. No matter how large your group, total registration for all of them will not exceed £20. See poster on page 8 for more details.

## **KABKAO STUDENTS LOCAL DANCE SHOWCASE**

Some of the students from KABKAO will be taking part in the Lynette Stephenson School of Dance showcase at the end of May. Please see the poster on page 4 for details if you would like to attend one of the performances.





## DATES FOR THE DIARY

Friday 26th May	School Closes or Half Term
Monday 5th June	School Reopens (all students in school)
Monday 5th June	GCSE Examination Window Continues



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BRIGHTER FUTURES

### Industry Webinar: Textiles

The textile industry offers careers in creative design and fabric technology. Come along to this webinar to find out if there's something right for you!

Presented by Rebecca Price  
The Textile Institute

**Tuesday 23rd May 2023**

**6 - 7pm**

Please book via the Adviza Portal under 'Events'  
Cost: FREE | Suitable for all ages

For more information please email  
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*Lynnette Stephenson*  
Academy of Dance

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PRESENTS



Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> May 2023 at 6:30 pm  
Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> May 2023 at 2:00 pm & 6:30 pm  
at

The Wilde Theatre, Bracknell

Tickets for DANCE 365 are available from the Box Office:  
[southhillpark.org.uk](http://southhillpark.org.uk) / 01344 484123

Price: £19.00 & £21.00

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# King's Academy Binfield

## School Uniform and Appearance Policy; Years 7 to 11

**King's Academy Binfield** has a strict uniform policy and students are expected to correctly wear their uniform with pride at all times including on their way to and from school. Parents are also expected to uphold our uniform policy and ensure their children attend school neatly turned out and in full uniform.

King's Academy Binfield has an equitable 'uniform policy', an item from the list can be worn by any student.

Students not adhering to any aspect of this uniform policy, will receive sanctions in line with our behaviour and conduct policy.

**All clothing should be clearly named.**

**No branded products may be worn for school.**

### **Coats**

Plain, waterproof topcoats without motifs or writing on them. No denim, leather, suede jackets, tracksuit or hooded tops should be worn.

No outside wear; coats, scarves, gloves, hats etc may be worn in the building and peaked caps may not be worn to school.

### **Jewellery**

**One** pair of small **plain gold or silver studs** (no stones) and one plain, non-fashion watch. Smart watches are not permitted.

Only one **stud** should be worn in the **lobe** of each ear.

All other jewellery is inappropriate for school-wear and must not be worn. Retainers or covering of piercings will not be permitted, they must be removed.

### **Shoes**

School shoes should be plain black, flat and logo-free. They must be leather or leather like (capable of being polished). Canvas shoes are not permitted. Trainers, boots, including ankle boots, toeless or backless shoes, suede and logos are not allowed at school. Shoes that are considered to be trainer-like in appearance are not allowed.

The Executive Principal will be the arbiter of what constitutes appropriate school shoes.

### **Blazer**

KAB navy blue with KAB badge, available only from Stevensons

### **Trousers**

These should be plain black, full-length, smart and tailored in a material appropriate for school wear. The styles available for purchase at Stevensons serve as a guide to acceptable trousers. Stretch jersey, lightweight cotton, skinny or fashion trousers are not acceptable.

### **Shorts**

These should be plain black, knee-length, smart and tailored in a material appropriate for school wear. Linen, denim or jogging bottom material shorts are not permitted. The styles

available for purchase at Stevensons serve as a guide to acceptable trousers.

### **Skirts**

KAB tartan skirt to be **worn on or below the knee**. Available only from Stevensons.

### **Shirt**

**Plain** white with a plain collar. The top button must be fastened. Long or short sleeved shirts are permitted.

### **Tie**

KAB tie in 'House' colours; correctly tied. **The KAB badge must always sit directly under the knot.** Available only from Stevensons. NB: Students and parents will be informed of their houses in July.

### **Jumper**

Optional KAB navy jumper with the school badge will be the only jumper permitted. To be worn underneath the blazer if required, but never instead of it. Available only from Stevensons.

### **Socks/tights**

Plain black socks or black tights only. Knee length or short socks can be worn. Trainer socks may **not be** worn.

### **Bags**

Bags should be large enough to hold all school equipment, including an A4 file. They should be waterproof, able to be fastened and a **plain, dark colour**. No logos or branding or coloured handbags are permitted. Bags should be a rucksack style - general handbags or tote bags are not permitted.

### **Hairstyles**

No shaved patterns/lines/partings or 'unnatural' colours are permitted. High fashion styles, often influenced by celebrities, are not permitted. For example, the difference in length between the top and the sides should not be in sharp contrast; styles need to be faded in very gradually. Hair which is longer than shoulder length must be tied back for practical subjects using elastic hair bands. Hair bands or slides should be completely plain in the student's hair and be natural hair colours or navy to match the uniform. Bows, flowers, scrunchies or other adornments are not permitted. Again, as with uniform, the support of parents is very much appreciated.

### **Make Up**

Visible make up is not permitted at King's Academy Binfield.

Nail polish and acrylic/gel nails are not permitted and will need to be removed before attending lessons.

False eyelashes are not permitted and will need to be removed before attending lessons.



## **PE Kit**

### **Compulsory PE Items**

**Polo Shirt** (fitted or loose) Navy blue with sky coloured panel with KAB badge

If you choose to wear a PE jumper, it must be the KAB Branded one:

**Sports Training Top** Navy blue with sky coloured panel with KAB badge.

The following items that display the King's Academy Binfield branding are available **from Stevensons**, however other plain navy blue alternatives are acceptable. Visible sports branding such as Nike, Adidas or Reebok are not permitted on any items.

**Sports Shorts** Navy blue with KAB embroidery or plain Navy blue football style shorts

**Sports Skort** Navy blue with KAB embroidery

**Sports Socks** Navy blue with sky turnover

### **Optional PE Items:**

Students may choose to wear the following items. Stevensons stock the following items branded.

**Sports leggings** Navy blue with KAB embroidery. Plain Navy blue sport's material leggings are acceptable, cotton fashion leggings are not permitted. No other sports branding is permitted.

**Tracksuit pants** Navy blue with KAB embroidery. Plain navy blue tracksuit bottoms are acceptable, No other sports branding is permitted

### **Other Essential Items:**

#### **Trainers**

Plain, black or white and small logos only acceptable if unavoidable. Non-marking and suitable for all activities.

#### **Football boots**

Plain, ideally black, small logos only acceptable if unavoidable. For use on the 3G pitch so must be moulded, absolutely no metal studs permitted.

Regular players in the Year 7 football and rugby teams must have boots. It is essential by Year 8 that all have boots for their PE lessons.

#### **Gum shields and shin pads**

Required for many curriculum and after school activities.

Further optional items of sportswear may be introduced in future years.



## BRACKNELL TOGETHER WALK SUNDAY 9 July 2023

**SOUTH HILL PARK, BRACKNELL, RG12 7PA**

Raise money for **YOUR** charity – every penny **YOU** raise goes to the charity of **YOUR** choice

The Rotary Club of Easthampstead invites you to take part in the  
**Bracknell Together Walk 2023**

A fun walk of 5, 7.5 or 10 kms in and around the beautiful grounds of South Hill Park and Swinley Forest - you choose the distance that's right for you.  
A family event suitable for all ages & abilities (with wheelchair friendly paths)

Save time on the day, **register NOW online** at  
**[www.bracknelltogetherwalk.org](http://www.bracknelltogetherwalk.org)**

Entry is **FREE** for all accompanied children under 14

You can boost your charity fundraising with £1,000 cash prizes from Rotary

We thank Duncan Yeardley Estate Agents, Peas and Carrots Ltd  
and the Village Hotel Bracknell for their support'

**Start** anytime between  
**9 am & 12 noon**

**Finish** your walk  
anytime **up to 2 pm**

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**VILLAGE**  
THE HOTEL CLUB

**Welcome pack &  
finishing certificate**

for every participant

**Hot & cold food &  
drinks** served all day