

Uniform Policy

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Introduction

School uniform can be purchased from Stevensons who have a uniform shop on the School site. Opening times during term time are below:

Monday, Wednesday, and Friday: 1pm - 4pm

Tuesday: 12pm - 4pm

Thursday: 2pm – 5pm

Stevensons can be contacted either by phone on 01727 814368, or via their website:

https://www.stevensons.co.uk/

Uniform for Years 7-11

Compulsory Uniform (only available from Stevensons)

- School blazer
- School skirt
- School tie

Compulsory Uniform (available from Stevensons or retailer of parents' own choice)

- Charcoal or black trousers
- White collared short or long-sleeved shirt
- Dark tights or dark socks
- Black leather shoes
- Navy blue V neck jumper

General Information for Years 7-11

- Hair must be worn in a conventional, clean and tidy style. Hair must be of natural looking colour but subtle highlights or highlight braids are permitted.
- Jewellery must be discreet and unobtrusive. Necklaces and bracelets should not be visible.
- Nails must be neatly trimmed and short enough for sporting activities. No synthetic nails.
- Facial hair must be neat and closely trimmed.
- Make-up if worn must be natural in appearance.
- All school uniform must be named with a label sewn in or laundry marker on the tag.
- Martineau's or Woodrow's tutor group badges should be sewn on the left lapel

Games Kit for Years 7-8

Compulsory Sports Kit (only available from Stevensons)

- Black games T shirt (Aldenham branded)
- Black storm jacket (Aldenham branded)
- Black trackpants (Aldenham branded)
- Black skort or shorts (Aldenham branded)
- Black and gold socks

Compulsory Sports Kit (available from Stevensons or retailer of parents' own choice)

- Football boots (compulsory for all boys and for female footballers)
- Non-marking trainers
- Gum shield
- Shin pads

Optional Sports Kit (only available from Stevensons)

- Zip mid-layer (Aldenham branded)
- Sports bag (Aldenham branded)
- Sports leggings

Optional Sports Kit (available from Stevensons or retailer of parents' own choice)

Black or white base layer

Games Kit for Years 9-13

Compulsory Sports Kit (only available from Stevensons)

- House-branded sports shirt
- Black storm jacket (Aldenham branded)
- Black trackpants (Aldenham branded)
- Black skort or shorts (Aldenham branded)
- Black and gold socks

Compulsory Sports Kit (available from Stevensons or retailer of parents' own choice)

- House-branded quarter zip mid-layer
- Football boots (compulsory for all boys and for female footballers)
- Non-marking trainers
- Gum shield
- Shin pads

Optional Sports Kit (only available from Stevensons)

- Sports bag (Aldenham branded)
- Sports leggings

Optional Sports Kit (available from Stevensons or retailer of parents' own choice)

Black or white base layer

Kit and Changing Protocol

Only Aldenham Branded Kit is Acceptable

Students may come to school in kit if they have PE or Games period 1-3 on any given day.

Students that come to school in kit will be required to change at the start of break into their full school uniform.

Students that have PE or Games period 4 or 5 will be required to come to school in their uniform, change into their sportswear at break and change back in to uniform at lunch.

Students that have PE or Games period 6 or 7 will be required to change into their sportswear after they have eaten and may travel home in their sports kit directly from school.

For those students that have a sports related activity during Enrichment, they will change once they have eaten, at lunchtime.

For those that have PE or Sports period 4 or 5 and then a sport related enrichment activity after school, they may stay in kit providing their legs are covered (girls and boys) and they are in full, school branded kit.

No student will be allowed entry to the dining hall in sports kit unless their legs are covered, and they are in the correct school sports kit.

If they do not have the correct kit, they will be required to change back into their school uniform for lunch and their afternoon lessons which will then impact on their activity time during enrichment.

Aldenham School Sixth Form Dress Code Policy

As role models and leaders of our student community, Aldenham's Sixth Form students are expected to set an example to the rest of the school through high standards of dress and behaviour. The Sixth Form Dress Code has been designed, in consultation with our students, to allow some flexibility of choice whilst maintaining a professional appearance.

The Sixth Form dress code reflects the standards of a modern professional workplace. **The general rule is that students should be dressed as if they were attending a job interview or a formal meeting.** Although a full suit is no longer compulsory on a daily basis, students must wear a formal outfit that adheres to the expectations outlined below. The Senior Leadership Team, Sixth Form Team, and House Teams will have the final say on whether an outfit is appropriate. Sanctions will be applied when students do not meet expectations and, in cases of ongoing non-compliance, may be required to return to wearing their full suit.

General Expectations

- Sixth Formers must be smartly dressed at all times while on school premises, as if they were in a professional workplace. They should be able to attend a job interview or formal meeting.
- Clothing must be clean, well-pressed and worn appropriately (e.g. shirts tucked in, trousers at the waist).
- Clothing should fit properly and should be suitable for a working environment not excessively tight or overly loose.
- Sixth Formers are required to follow the dress code throughout the academic year, including during study leave and exam periods.
- All Sixth Formers must have a full suit available for specific events or when requested by a member of staff. These events will be clearly communicated to students in advance. Sixth Formers may also choose to wear their suit on any normal school day. As a general rule, suits should be worn during the following:
 - Induction Day
 - Formal, whole-school events (e.g. Remembrance Service, House Music, Open Mornings)
 - Meetings with parents or external visitors (e.g. when giving tours)
 - School representation at official functions or interviews

Dress Code Guidelines

Colour: Colours should be formal and professional, such as navy, blue, grey, dark green, brown, black, or similar muted tones. Bright, flamboyant, neon, or excessively patterned clothing is not appropriate.

Item	Permitted	Not Permitted
Jacket	Blazers, either as part of a suit or worn separately; smart tailored jackets, including woven or box-cut styles. Jackets may be a different colour to trousers or skirts, both should be formal and colours professional.	Denim/leather jackets, flamboyant colours, visible logos.
Suit	Business-style suit with a blazer and trousers and/or skirt in professional colour and pattern. To be worn with a collared shirt or smart blouse. Ties encouraged with a full male suit. Waistcoats permitted.	Flamboyant or bright colours, inappropriate fit/length of skirt/trouser.
Tie	Any school-issued tie.	No tie with an outfit requiring one (e.g. with a suit).

Trousers	Professional trousers, such as chinos or tailored styles. Wide-legged or flared are acceptable if smart. Smart jumpsuits also permitted.	Jeans, leather trousers, jogging bottoms, tracksuits, shorts, or any casual trousers.
Skirt/Dress	Business-like, appropriate length and fit. Pinafore dresses with a blouse or shirt.	Mini-skirts, inappropriate length, bodycon styles, visible midriff or underwear, sheer/transparent material.
Shirt/Top/Blouse	Collared shirts, fitted shirts, and smart blouses in subtle colours or patterns. Polo shirts are allowed during summer short-sleeve order.	T-shirts, graphic or slogans, low-cut tops, visible midriff or underwear, flamboyant colours or patterns, strapless tops, sheer material.
Jumper/Cardigan	Smart V-neck, round-neck, quarter-zip jumpers/cardigans.	Hoodies, sweatshirts, or any item with a large logo or slogan.
Shoes	Formal shoes or boots. Must be in dark, muted colours. All shoes must be closed-toe and low-heeled. They should be smart in appearance.	Flip-flops/sliders, Uggs, platform shoes, open-toed shoes, or any branded sports footwear.
Other	Smart jumpsuits if professional in appearance and appropriate in fit and length.	Playsuits, casual jumpsuits, denim or jersey fabric outfits. Caps or hats.

Grooming and Presentation

- Hair and facial hair must be of a natural colour and a conventional, clean and tidy style. Beards must be neat and closely trimmed. Subtle highlights or highlight braids are permitted.
- Jewellery must be unobtrusive, undistracting and should not interfere with school activities. It should be removed for Games lessons or physical activities.
- Nails must be neatly trimmed and short enough for sporting activities.
 Synthetic/acrylic nails or nail extensions are not permitted.
- Visible tattoos are not permitted. Facial piercings should be discrete.
- Light, subtle makeup is permitted, including mascara, concealer and light foundation.

Monitoring

Where the expected standards are not met, students may be asked to change and contact home will be made. It may also impact a student's ability to represent the school, participate in formal events or seek positions of responsibility. They may also be required to return to wearing their full suit.

Non-Uniform Days and Other Events

Sixth Formers may be allowed to wear casual dress for non-uniform days, charity events, or school celebrations with staff permission. These events will be clearly communicated in advance. On such days, clothing must still be respectful and suitable for a school environment.

Responsibility and Clarification

Questions from Sixth Formers seeking clarity about these standards will be welcomed by the Sixth Form and House teams.

Our aim is always to encourage professionalism, pride, and a positive learning environment in the Sixth Form. Adherence to the dress code supports the development of personal responsibility and readiness for life beyond school, while setting high standards for the lower year groups, for whom the Sixth Formers are important role models.