



Ramsey Grammar School Uniform Policy – January 2024

Our school uniform plays a valuable role in contributing to the ethos of our school, and promotes a strong, cohesive school identity, supporting the high standards we aspire to. It gives our students a sense of identity.

Students in Years 7–11 are required to wear a school uniform at all times. We hope that parents will understand the reasons for our school uniform and support us. We want our students to be smartly and sensibly dressed, and despite fashion trends, we aim to have a uniform which is practical, comfortable, and fit for purpose, but also reflects the ethos and values of the school. We also want our students to be proud of their uniform and their school. It is widely accepted that a uniform improves a child's attitude to work and allows them to focus on learning, rather than their appearance.

A uniform also helps prepare our students for the world of work, 'dressed for business'; the business being that of learning. Also, a uniform reduces socio-economic differences and instances of bullying based on appearance.

School Uniform

- White-collared shirt with top button that can fasten at the neck, not polo shirts or a blouse. Shirts should be tucked in.
- School tie worn in a small knot that covers the top button – purchased from Top 2 Toe. When the jumper is not worn, the tie must reach the waist in length.
- Black blazer with school badge that can be purchased from the West Office for £5 or from Top 2 Toe. The blazer is to be worn at all times, unless the Headteacher has given permission for the summer uniform to be worn.
- Plain black V-neck wool jumper may be worn underneath the blazer, and must not be tucked in.
- Plain black tailored trousers, black tailored shorts, or black tailored skirt where the minimum length reaches the bottom of the student's fingertips when arms are straight at their sides.
- If a skirt is worn, black opaque tights must also be worn.
- Plain black sensible leather or leather look shoes or trainers with a flat heel. No boots are permitted.
- Plain black, grey or white socks can be worn with trousers. They are not to be worn over tights.
- Year Group colour specific RGS issued lanyards to hold RGS Smart Cards are to be worn each day by each student as a compulsory part of the uniform.

Acceptable Trousers

Trousers must be black and smart, school style only.

Trousers must **not** be skintight, hipster, legging style, jogging bottom style, or jeans style with patch pockets. Material should not be sweatpants, cord, denim, cotton jeans style, and should not contain cargo pockets, jeans style rivets or logo labels, (e.g. a red label at the back).

Acceptable Skirt

Skirts should be black straight or pleated, or identical in cut. Skirts should be knee length and not rolled at the waist.

Skirts should **not** have zips, patches or pockets, and should not cling to the body or ride up whilst walking. Skirts should **not** be bodycon or skater style.

Jewellery

Students may wear a watch, one ring, a short necklace worn under the shirt, gold/silver ear studs – a maximum of two in each ear, worn on the lobule. **No other piercings are allowed.**

All jewellery should be removed when taking part in physical activities.

Makeup

Only discrete makeup is permitted. No false eyelashes or false nails. Nail varnish is to be a pale colour.

Hair

Hair should be neat and tidy. Only natural colours are permitted. For longer hairstyles, it is compulsory to carry an elastic hairband that would allow hair to be tied back when taking part in any activity, where health and safety may be affected by long, loose hair.

PE and Games Kit

All items are available to purchase from Jac Stores, The Ramsey Warehouse, 37 Parliament Street, Ramsey. Telephone: 813092

Compulsory Kit:

- Green collared T-shirt with school logo
- Black shorts and/or skort with school logo
- Green & white school PE socks
- Shin pads
- One-piece swimming costume/trunks, swimming hat for longer hair, and a towel

Girls' Kit:

- Astro boots and trainers

Boys' Kit:

- RGS rugby shirt
- Football boots and trainers

Inter-Sports Hockey Kit

If your child takes part in Inter-School Hockey, mouth guards are a compulsory part of the kit. Though not compulsory for Rugby, mouth guards are advisable.

Additional Optional Kit:

- RGS black track pants with school logo
- RGS black zip-top training top with school logo
- RGS black leggings
- RGS black rugby shorts

Please note, only the approved RGS additional kit to be worn in lessons. Any other variations will not be accepted.

Every item of clothing must be clearly marked with your child's name.