

Queen Mary's Grammar School Walsall

School Uniform and Sportswear

New Year 7 pupils starting in September 2016

UNIFORM

All School Uniform should be bought from Clive Mark in Walsall. The address is 19 Park Place Shopping Centre, Park Street, Walsall, WS1 1NP. Telephone number 01922 622556. Clive Mark will also have a limited amount of stock in their Wylde Green (Sutton Coldfield) store. If you wish to buy from Wylde Green we would suggest you telephone ahead (0121 384 4186) to check if they have stock in your son's size. Clive Mark will also be attending the School's pre term sale days – see separate letter.

Our uniform is in keeping with the School's traditions and expectations of pupils' appearance/behaviour. As well as a high quality blazer and other uniform items, we have the following dress code standards.

Hair: Pupils must maintain high standards of appearance. Hair should be cut in conventional style of school standard, not very long, about collar length, nor very short (not less than number 2 cut). Steps/patterns are not acceptable. Beards and moustaches are not acceptable, other than for those who choose to grow a beard for religious convictions. They are allowed to do so as long as it is not trimmed into any fashionable style and as long as it is only trimmed in length and not cut in any other way. Permission must be sought in all cases in advance by written request to the Headmaster.

Jewellery – is not allowed with the only exception being Sikhs may wear a Kara bracelet.

SPORTSWEAR

The School's Sportswear can only be bought at the School's Sports Store. Our sportswear is in keeping with our high expectations of appearance, performance & behaviour of our pupils. The kit is manufactured by Samurai Sportswear, a leading specialist sportswear company. It is not possible to buy kit directly from Samurai. The reason for this is to keep the cost down for you. We have negotiated good discounts with Samurai and are supported by parent volunteers who give their time freely to help sell it at School. The kit is high quality and built to stand the rigours of sport. While it is costly, typically it would cost 50% to 85% more if sold through a retailer. Due to the fact it is manufactured in China, the School will be placing orders on a regular basis where stocks run low. However you should be aware there is a 60-90 day delivery time so it's best to plan ahead.

YEAR 7 PRE-TERM SALE DAYS

The School will be holding 5 events for new Year 7 parents & pupils to buy sports kit and uniform, please see separate letter.

Please check your son's approximate size before you attend as this will speed up the process.

You can still obtain Uniform from Clive Mark throughout the summer holiday. **We recommend you do not leave this until late in the holiday as they may need to reorder items and there may be many parents trying to buy uniform from other schools at this time, meaning long waiting times.** Clive Mark also have an online internet site but we would not recommend you buy this way for your first purchase of uniform.

PRICING AND OTHER REQUIREMENTS

Details of UNIFORM and SPORTSWEAR prices are overleaf.

ASSISTANCE WITH COSTS FOR UNIFORM AND SPORTSWEAR

We understand starting a new school is a hugely rewarding experience but it can be an expensive time for parents. If your son is eligible for free school meals we can provide assistance with the cost. If your son is not eligible for free school meals, but has been eligible for pupil premium support at his Primary School, we may also be able to provide some assistance towards the costs.

Further information can be found in the letter regarding Free School Meals and Pupil Premium.

If your son wasn't eligible for either of the above, we may be able, in very limited cases, to contribute towards some of the cost. Please contact the Headmaster if you are seeking financial assistance.

UNIFORM REQUIREMENTS AND PRICING – New Year 7

School uniform is being sold by Clive Mark.

The approximate prices (which include VAT where applicable, but are subject to change) are:

Item	Requirements	Price
School blazer with badge	QMGS Evolution Blazer <i>Must be bought from Clive Mark</i>	£51.50 to £54.50
School tie	QMGS School tie <i>Must be bought from Clive Mark</i>	£6.75
Trousers – grey	Trutex flat front trousers <i>Must be bought from Clive Mark</i>	£14.00 to £20.00
Pullover – grey, badged	QMGS badged pullover <i>Must be bought from Clive Mark</i>	£15.75
School Scarf	Optional <i>Can only be bought from School</i>	£5.00
Shirt – white	Plain white, from Clive Mark or any other outlet	
Socks – plain medium grey	Must be plain grey, from Clive Mark or any other outlet	
Coat - black	Optional. Must be plain black, single colour no stripes or logos and of sufficient length to cover the blazer	
Shoes - black	Black polished leather centre lacing/slip on. No boots	

SPORTSWEAR

The following sports kit must be purchased from the School Sport Shop (unless stated).

All prices are subject to change, although we try not to do so!

Item	Requirements all items below from School Shop	Size	Price
Rugby / Hockey Note: rugby boot with moulded sole (if boots have screw-in soles safety studs used, with kite mark)	QMGS/Samurai reversible jersey (badged)	Up to LB chest size 36	£34.00
		XS & above (chest 38+)	£41.00
	QMGS/Samurai shorts	Up to LB (waist 28)	£13.00
		XS & above (waist 30+)	£15.00
	Socks, red with QMGS logo	1-5 9-13	£5.50 £6.50
Games generally Note: must be worn to school fixtures with the relevant other kit	QMGS/Samurai Storm jacket (tracksuit top badged)	Up to LB chest size 36	£27.00
		XS & above (chest 38+)	£33.00
	QMGS/Samurai track pants	Up to LB (waist 28)	£22.00
		XS & above (waist 30+)	£26.00
PE lessons Note: non marking soles and white ankle socks	QMGS/Samurai house shirts in house colours (badged)	Up to LB chest size 36	£16.00
		XS & above (chest 38+)	£19.00
	QMGS/Samurai PE shorts	Up to LB (waist 28)	£11.00
		XS & above (waist 30+)	£13.00
Swimming	Black swimming shorts – plain black only School Shop or any other retail outlet		From £8.50
Cricket Note: white socks, cricket boots/white plimsolls/white trainers	Fleece top (badged) – Samurai		TBA
	Shirt (badged) – Samurai		TBA
	Trousers - Samurai		TBA
	Cap (optional badged) – Kukri		£10

PLEASE ENSURE ALL ITEMS OF CLOTHING ARE LABELLED WITH YOUR SON'S NAME