



THE AMERICAN SCHOOL IN ENGLAND

LOWER SCHOOL UNIFORM

Our uniform identifies our community as we all work together to live our mission. It supports our focus on learning, develops responsible attitudes towards personal appearance, and provides us with a sense of pride in the wearing of our school crest.

The uniform guidelines support parents in partnering with the School to ensure that our students are prepared and ready for the learning opportunities that each day will present. We are grateful for the parental support in ensuring that students adhere to our uniform guidelines.

Students should be dressed neatly and tidily throughout the entire school day. This means that uniforms are clean and in good repair. Shirts are to be tucked in. Uniforms must contain the updated TASIS Crest (as shown on the cover).

All Lower School students in Early Years through Grade 4 must wear their clothing for Physical Education (PE) to school on their PE days. Students in Early Years have PE three times a week while students in Grades K-4 have PE two times a week.

Hair is to be clean, trimmed, and tidy, leaving eyes clearly visible. Ostentatious hair styles and unnatural hair colors are not permitted. Hair accessories should not detract from the uniform. On PE days, long hair must always be tied back with a suitably soft item to prevent entanglement in apparatus and to prevent vision being obscured.

Nails should be kept clean and trimmed. For PE, nails must be sufficiently short to prevent injury to self and others. Make-up and nail varnish are not permitted in Lower School.

Students with pierced ears may wear understated studs. All jewellery and watches, including fitness trackers must be removed for all PE lessons. Taping earrings and other piercings is not allowed for health and safety reasons. It is advised that all new piercings are done over long school breaks to allow them to heal.

All students from Early Years to third grade use official TASIS backpacks. Students in fourth grade do not need to use the TASIS backpacks, but instead have the privilege of using their own backpacks. If a new fourth grader would like to use a TASIS backpack, one will be provided for them. Students are expected to look after their school bags and to reuse them each year.

Any **exchanges/returns** for uniform purchases must be left at Security, not at the Lower School office. To purchase school uniforms please visit The Student Centre website at www.tasisuniforms.co.uk.

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Tops:

- Official TASIS white, light blue, or navy blue short-sleeve polo shirt with TASIS crest
- Official TASIS navy blue V-neck sweater/pullover with TASIS crest

Bottoms:

- Charcoal gray, black, or navy blue tailored slacks/trousers, skirts, pinafores, or shorts (in warm weather only)
- Uniform shorts and skirts must be close to knee-length

Shoes:

- Leather-topped black/brown/navy shoes that cover the entire foot or solid black athletic trainers (laces and logos must also be black)
- In winter, students that wish to play football may be asked to bring in separate shoes as the football pitch can become muddy.
- For EY children, wellies will be required and these will be left at school.

Socks/Tights:

- Plain white, navy, dark gray, or black
- Navy blue or black leggings may be worn under skirts in colder weather as a substitute for tights
- Socks must cover the ankle

Outdoor wear:

- The Lower School will go outside for recess as much as possible, rain or shine, hot or cold. Students should come to school equipped to participate in outdoor play and learning every day. This means weather appropriate coats should be brought to school every day.
- Coats/jackets should be worn during cold or wet weather.
- All outerwear should be removed when students enter the classroom.

P.E. UNIFORM

Tops:

- Official TASIS t-shirt
- Navy blue sweatshirt with TASIS crest

Bottoms:

- Navy blue shorts with TASIS crest
- Navy blue sweatpants with TASIS crest or plain navy blue, non-logo sweatpants

Socks:

- Plain white covering the ankle

Shoes:

- Clean, non-marking trainers must be worn indoors. Slip-on trainers or fashion trainers such as Converse are not acceptable due to the lack of ankle support. Trainers will also be worn outside. In wet weather, lessons will move indoors.

PE outdoor wear:

- As above but a jacket/coat is advised in colder weather along with extra layers to maintain warmth and comfort.

All clothing, notebooks, and sports items should be clearly marked with the owner's name.