

Uniform & Clothing

Senior Boys

[3rd to 5th Form, Lower & Upper Sixth Form]



Who to contact?

If you have questions regarding uniform and clothing please contact:

Mrs Tracy Coles, School Shop Manager,

by email (shop@downside.co.uk) or by phone (01761 235138)

The **Admissions Office** by email (admissions@downside.co.uk) or by phone (01761 235103)

Introduction

We expect that all pupils at Downside will wear their uniform correctly and with pride. Your support in ensuring that your son is correctly equipped with uniform items is appreciated. By providing him with the correct uniform and equipment you will help him to quickly fit in and settle into the school.

We hope that this guide will provide you with all the information you need, however, if you have any queries please contact the Admissions Office or our shop manager, Mrs Tracy Coles, on shop@downside.co.uk or 01761 235 138

Buying uniform

Uniform and other items including scholars' ties can be purchased online and collected at School at the start of term. We can post these items to you, however, we will have to add the cost of shipping to your bill and sufficient delivery time must be allowed for when ordering. Should items purchased online not fit we can exchange them at the start of term.

The School Shop is open daily during the working week in term time and also on week days during the summer holiday prior to term starting. During all other holidays we are happy to open the shop by appointment.

Please note it gets very busy **the week before the start of the school year** so we suggest that you call ahead to let us know your arrival time in order to avoid waiting to try items on.

Please note: House Masters and House Mistresses will be authorised to order any items of Regulation clothing or Core sportswear that are missing and the cost will be added to your bill.

Second-hand items

The School has a limited range of second hand items which can be purchased at a discounted rate. Second hand items can only be purchased in person at the school shop as items may have previously been altered so sizing cannot be guaranteed.

Pupil Number

Every pupil in Downside School has a unique pupil number which enables the bursary, school shop, laundry and boarding houses to identify your child from any others with a similar name. (The pupil number is a capital letter followed by three numbers.) The pupil number must be included on name tapes which are to be used to identify items of clothing. The school shop will order numbers for your child, if you ask them to do so. If you wish to get your child's name labels produced other than through the school shop, please follow this pattern:

Pupil number	Surname	Initial(s)
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Name tapes for boys: Black cotton on a white cloth background

Please arrange for all labels to be sewn into clothing items, whether school uniform, sports clothing or personal (casual) items.

- Please do not use iron on labels – as they come off in the school laundry.
- Please do not use laundry pens for naming clothes – as the ink disappears over time.

If you arrange for labels to be produced via school, the school shop will retain a proportion of the labels so that they can then label any future items that are purchased through the school shop.

Bedding

Each pupil will need to have his own duvet and two named duvet covers. The School provides the bottom sheet, the pillow and the pillow case.

Laundry

All clothes laundered at School pass through commercial washing machines, therefore clothes must be machine washable at 40°C at a minimum. The School cannot accept responsibility for any damage to items sent to the laundry which are not machine washable or which cannot be tumble dried.

All boarders must also have named net-bags for washing underwear and socks. Socks and underwear should still be name taped.

Items requiring dry cleaning should be handed to the House Parent; an additional charge will be made for this service.

Please note: Day pupils should **not** put their clothes in to the School laundry system.

Holidays

All personal items should be taken home in the summer holidays. The only items allowed to remain are **school uniform, bedding, school textbooks / folders and desk lights**.

These items should be packed in plastic crates (which can found on the school website [here](#)) and stored in the designated areas. Items stored inappropriately i.e. in plastic bags may be mistaken as unwanted and thrown away.

Using School Shop website to order Uniform and other items

Please click on the red words “**here**” below to access the relevant pages of the School website:

Compulsory Uniform items that must be ordered [here](#):

Compulsory Sports Uniform items that must be ordered [here](#):

Non-Clothing and Stationery items can be ordered [here](#):

Non-Compulsory items can be ordered [here](#):

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(Please find links to the relevant pages of the **School Shop** website on the previous page)

Compulsory items list

All items on this list must be purchased prior to your son starting school.

Items marked as compulsory from the Downside shop must be purchased via the shop. Other items may be purchased elsewhere.

	Quantity Required	Price per item	Downside purchase only	Downside / Other outlet	Other outlet
Regulation Dress					
Regulation jacket	1	100.00	✓		
Regulation trousers*	2	60.00	✓		
Black pullover*	2	26.00	✓		
White shirt (twin pack)*	3	21.00		✓	
School tie	1	8.00	✓		
House tie	1	13.00	✓		
Black socks (3 pair)	3	8.85		✓	
Black school shoes	2				✓
Sports Uniform					
Waterproof top	1	50.00	✓		
Polar fleece	1	50.00	✓		
Tracksuit trousers	2	40.00	✓		
Reversible Rugby/ House top	2	45.00	✓		
PE top	2	30.00	✓		
Games Shorts	2	23.00	✓		
Trainer Socks	2	6.75		✓	
Games socks	2	8.00	✓		
Trainers	1				✓
Non Clothing					
Net laundry bags	4	5.00		✓	
Fabric nametapes for clothes	1	9.00		✓	
Sticky nametapes for possessions	1	9.00		✓	
Towel	2	13.00		✓	
Duvet	1	30.00		✓	
Crates	2	26.00		✓	
Desk lamp	1	10.00			✓

* Please note - small sizes on these items may be slightly cheaper due to VAT

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Non Compulsory items list			
These items may be needed by the start of term depending on your child's age and sports choices			
	Price per item	Downside purchase only	Downside / Other outlet
Navy Swim shorts*	16.00		✓
Mouth guard*	4.00		✓
Shin guards*	10.00		✓
Rugby boots*	27.00		✓
Swimming goggles	10.00		✓
Sports holdall	35.00	✓	
* Please note there may be some price variation based on the brand and size			

Stationery

Please click [here](#) to access the relevant pages of the School Shop website

The items listed below are recommended starter quantities of stationery.

All years				
	<i>Items required</i>	<i>Price</i>	Downside shop purchase only	Downside shop / Other outlet
Basic Stationery pack				
Casio scientific calculator, Oxform maths set, Bic 4 way pen, Gel pen black, HB pencil, Clear pencil case, Ruler, Brass padlock, Highlighter	1	30.00		✓
1st - 3rd Form				
Downside Exercise books x 10, Ring binders x 4, 80 sheet refill pad	1	23.45	✓	
4th - 6th forms				
200 page refill pad, 160 page 5mm square pad, 4 x House lever arch files, 4 x divider	2	25.14	✓	

SENIOR BOYS REGULATION DRESS

Please click [here](#) to access the Regulation Uniform pages of the School Shop website



Please note regarding the purchase of white school shirts

Shirts must match the following guidelines:

Colour:	Plain white
Fit:	Regular or tailored fit
Collar:	Business shirt with top button
Fastening:	Button through
Sleeve length:	Long sleeve
Cuff:	Standard single cuffs

SENIOR BOYS CORE SPORTS UNIFORM

Please click [here](#) to access the Sports Uniform pages of the School Shop website



Waterproof mesh top



Polar fleece



Reversible rugby top



PE Top



Shorts



Tracksuit trousers



Games & Trainer
socks

Non-uniform

The boys have limited storage. In order to help your son keep his area tidy we offer the following guidelines for the number of non-uniform items.

<p>Tops 10 maximum</p>	<p>4 2 2 1 1</p>	<p>T-shirts Warm jumpers Casual tops Smart top Fleece</p>
<p>Casual trousers 3 pairs</p>	<p>2 1</p>	<p>Jeans or similar Smart casual</p>
<p>Casual socks</p>	<p>3 pairs</p>	
<p>Jackets</p>	<p>1 1</p>	<p>Waterproof top Warm coat</p>
<p>Gloves</p>	<p>1 pair</p>	
<p>Warm hat</p>	<p>1</p>	
<p>Shoes</p>	<p>1 pair 1 pair 1 pair 1</p>	<p>Slippers Flip flops (useful for changing rooms & showers) Casual shoes Shoe cleaning equipment</p>
<p>Toiletries</p>		<p>Brush / comb Nail clippers Shower gel Toothbrush / toothpaste Roll-on deodorant (not spray please)</p>