

Uniform and Equipment

Uniform Expectations

All students from P1 – DP2 are expected to wear the Somersfield Academy school uniform. The school believes that the uniform reflects the values that we share: social egalitarianism, respect for one another, pride in the school, and a focus on learning. Students are expected to wear their uniforms neatly and with pride and view themselves as ambassadors for the school, both while in school and when representing the school in the community.

Whenever Somersfield Academy students are representing the school on field trips and interschool activities, it is required that they wear Somersfield logo school attire.

All articles of clothing and personal possessions should be clearly marked with the owner's name.

Pre - Primary Clothing and Supplies

There is no school uniform or P.E. kit required in Pre-Primary (ages 3 and 4). However, there are specific clothing and supplies that are required and are noted below.

All students must have:

- a complete change of name-labelled clothes stored in a clear plastic zip lock bag. Please note: An additional change of clothes is required for children in the 3-Year-Old Full Day Programme.
- two pairs of trainers with Velcro tabs that can be easily managed. One pair is worn to school for outside play and PE classes on the field. The other pair remains at school for indoor P.E. use in the gym and classroom. Please note that all children must wear socks.
- a hat with a surrounding brim and, if possible, with a flap to cover the neck.
- a large, zippered pouch labelled clearly for sending information home.
- a name labelled lunch box that is easy for the student to access, pack and close on their own and an icepack to keep food cold.

Uniform: P1 - DP2

Uniform requirements P1-P4:

- green, blue or white polo shirts with school logo
- Khaki skirts/skorts/shorts/pants
- Navy blue cardigans/sweaters/vests
- Brown or black belts
- Outdoor hat for sun protection (baseball and/or athletic, fisherman, or bucket hat)
- Brown or black leather dress shoes that can be polished
- Navy socks (knee length)
- Students may wear their sweatshirts or tracksuit jackets as outerwear when wearing their school uniform.

Uniform requirements P5-DP2:

- green, blue or white polo shirts with school logo
- Khaki skirts/skorts/shorts/pants
- Navy blue cardigans/sweaters/vests
- Outdoor hat for sun protection (cannot be worn inside)
- Brown or black leather dress shoes that can be polished or Somersfield-approved casual shoes (see details below). No heels, boots or high-tops.
- Blue or black socks to compliment shoes
- Students may wear their Somersfield sweatshirts or Somersfield tracksuit jackets as outerwear when wearing their school uniform
- DP students have the option to be out of uniform on Fridays (free-dress)

Note: DP students have a programme-specific polo that should be worn. See DP guide for details.

School Shoes for P5 – DP2 Students

In addition to traditional leather shoes, here are some comfortable options permitted under our current uniform policy. All shoes must be low-tops (no high tops) and consist of a solid-colored lower and upper. Black, brown and navy blue are the mandatory colors. These shoes may be worn with navy blue or black athletic socks (no ankle-length socks).



Docksider-style

White soles permitted. Brown, navy blue, black upper allowed. No multi-colored styles permitted.



Vans-style

Gum-sole, black or navy soles (no white soles) with solid black, brown or navy blue upper. Laces must be the same color as the shoe's upper. No white soles, laces or design-elements allowed.



Traditional sneaker

Style similar to the Nike Air Force 1 or Adidas Superstar. Black soles, black upper and black laces allowed. No white or colored elements permitted.

Gym Uniform: P1 - P6

- Green and Blue Primary gym uniform*
- Blue and Green tracksuits (not compulsory unless on a sports team)
- Navy sweatpants, navy sweatshirt with either Somersfield logo or without a logo (no other brand logos permitted)
- White or black socks to compliment sneakers
- 2 pairs of sneakers with non-marking sole (indoor and outdoor)**

* **Please note:** Students may also wear their House Green or Blue shirt (P5-P6)

****Please note:** Students wear their P.E. uniforms and outside trainers to school on the days they have P.E. A pair of indoor trainers (no Crocs or slippers) is stored at school for classroom and gym use. P1 students must have trainers with Velcro tabs.

Gym Uniform M1- M5

- Blue and Green Secondary gym uniform*
- 2 pairs of sneakers with non-marking sole (indoor and outdoor)
- White or black socks
- Personal items bag to be kept in their locker (deodorant/body spray/shower items)

***Please note:** Students may also wear their House Green or Blue shirt (M1-DP2)

***Please note:** Students are not allowed to wear non-Somersfield leggings, yoga pants or track pants with PE kit. The only exception are solid, navy-blue leggings that match the colour of the mandatory Somersfield PE shirt. Black leggings are not acceptable.

During the cooler months, students are to wear either the Somersfield tracksuit or Somersfield sweatsuit if additional attire is needed over the regular P.E. kit. Leggings are not permitted under shorts nor are long sleeved turtlenecks under gym shirts.

P1-P6 Personal Adornments

- Students in Children's House – P6 are not allowed to wear necklaces or bracelets, and only one small stud in each ear lobe (no hoops or rings).
- Keep earrings small. No other pierced jewelry or body adornments are allowed.

Nails:

- Finger nails should be clean and of short or moderate length. Nail polish, if worn, must be clear or natural in shade.

Hair:

- Hair should be tidy and clean.

M1-DP2 Personal Adornments

Nails and Cosmetics:

- Finger nails should be clean and of short or moderate length. Nail polish is permitted. Subtle foundation and concealer can be worn.

Hair:

- Hair should be tidy and clean.

Jewelry and Piercings:

- Keep earrings small. Any other jewelry, such as necklaces or bracelets, must be simple in design. Jewelry and personal adornments must be removed for Physical Education and, when required, in situations for health and safety (science experiments, Design tools, etc.).

Uniform Presentation

All students are expected to take pride in their appearance by:

- wearing the correct uniform and clearly labelling each item with full name or first initial/last name.*
- tucking shirts into pants or skirts at all times ensuring a neat appearance.
- wearing correctly coloured tights, socks and shoes. **
- keeping uniforms in good repair, hemmed, and appropriately fitted. Items that no longer look smart or blend in with the uniform colours should be replaced.
- maintaining good grooming and health habits to achieve a clean and tidy appearance.

*All khaki shorts/pants/skorts should be regular khaki in colour. There should be no cargo or corduroy pants worn.

Somersfield expects modesty and appropriateness in clothing that is worn for school activities, “non-uniform days” or events. Students are not permitted to:

- wear any clothing with offensive logos or with alcohol or tobacco advertising.
- wear revealing clothing such as bare midriffs, ultra short shorts or skirts/dresses, see-through clothes or exposed undergarments.

Where to Buy Uniforms

The following items may be purchased locally from Bermuda Blueprint:

- All School Uniforms
- P1-P6 Gym Kits
- School Merchandise & Apparel

The following items may be purchased locally from Mstira Selassie:

- All School Tracksuits

- M1-DP2 Gym Kits

Uniforms may be purchased overseas from Land's End. The preferred school number for Land's End is – **900043290**.

Note: Re-wear uniform items are available. Please bring in gently used items that your child has outgrown and you are welcome to take other items that will fit your child. The SPA will have re-wear event days periodically throughout the year.

Stationery List for Students

Students are expected to be prepared for every class with books, notes, pencils, paper, agenda, instruments and art supplies as needed. Being prepared requires organisational skills that are very important to educational success. Below are the required stationery lists that should be purchased and labelled with your child's name. These items should be refreshed throughout the year as needed.

P2 - P4 Student Stationery and Supply List

- 5 Twelve-packs of **sharpened** #2 pencils
- Ruler (preferably wood)
- 6 Large white erasers
- 2 Covered pencil sharpeners
- 2 Packs of sharpened coloured pencils
- Small soft pencil case (to fit in cubby)
- 4 Large glue sticks
- Scissors
- Large clear zipper pouch (for reading books, notes, etc.)
- P3 – musical instrument - recorder

Students must also have:

- a pair of trainers for in-door shoes that can be easily managed. (No laces until students can manage them quickly and independently.) These shoes will remain at school for indoor P.E. in the gym and classroom use. Please note that all children must wear socks.
- a hat with a surrounding brim and, if possible, with a flap to cover the neck.
- a large, zippered pouch labelled clearly for sending information home.
- Backpacks are discouraged due to lack of locker space

- a name labelled lunch box that can hold the student's water bottle and is easy for the student to access, pack and close on their own. Also, an icepack to keep food cold.

P5 and P6 Student Stationery List

- Pencils- conventional (to be replenished each term)
- 2 marking/editing pens (any color)
- 2-3 highlighters (different colors)
- Covered pencil sharpener
- Pencil case
- 2 erasers
- 3-4 glue sticks (to be replenished as needed throughout the year)
- Ruler - 12 inch
- Scissors
- Pack of pencil crayons
- White erase marker (at least 1 for mini white board work) and eraser
- Pack of post-it notes (basic square type)
- Plastic zippered pouch for homework (approx. 11 x 14)
- USB (at least 2 MB)
- 2-3 pens- blue or black
- 1 fine point black Sharpie marker
- Geometry set that contains a protractor and compass
- Loose Leaf paper (8 ½ x 11 in. - one package)
- Binder (2 or 3 inch)
- Two bi-fold folders (for 8 ½ x 11 papers)
- Headphones
- Calculator (basic)
- Dictionary
- Binder - 2" Five-Star All-in-One Pencil case built-in
- Managebac and all school subjects
- Pencils (5); Pens (5); Highlighters (3); Eraser; Pencil Sharpener
- Calculator: Texas Instruments: TI-30XS with multi-view or TI-30X IIS

M1 - M5 Stationery List

*Required for all incoming M1s; strongly suggested for M2s and M3s. Optional for M4s and M5s

Required Art Equipment:

- separate small pencil case or pouch for art supplies
- Graphite pencils 2H, HB, 2B, 4B, 6B
- pencil sharpener
- eraser (magic rub)
- glue stick- large
- ballpoint pen

Optional Art Supplies:

- colored pencils
- watercolor paint tablet
- markers

Lockers and Security of Personal Items

The school provides facilities to store personal items, and all students are ultimately responsible for the secure storage of their belongings. The school accepts no liability for either loss or damage which may occur on the school premises.

Children's House: Pre-Primary - P1 students have open cubbies for individual use within the classroom.

Primary Division: P2 - P5 students have their own lockers or hooks where items can be stored. These lockers remain unlocked and students should not store personal valuable objects in them. P6 students have lockers and the option to purchase a combination lock.

Secondary Division: M1 – M5 students have lockers with combination locks on them. Locks are required and should be provided by the student.

Children's House and Primary Division: Toys and computer games must not be brought to school. Equipment for games such as marbles, skipping ropes, and other athletic gear may be brought to school and, where possible, items should have a name tag on them.

Secondary Division: Valuable items should not be brought to school. The school does not accept any responsibility for lost or stolen items.

All lockers should be regularly cleared of perishable items and completely cleaned out at the end of the school year. Regular inspection of lockers is conducted by advisors.

Personal Media and Communication Devices

Please see the Electronic Devices Responsible Use Policy in the Policies section of this manual.

School Phone Use and Messages

If students must contact parents on an urgent basis, they must request permission from their teacher to use an office phone. The school phone lines are intended for school rather than personal business. Both parents and students are discouraged from using the school as a message centre thereby causing disruption to the school day. As part of guiding students to be independent and competent individuals, they are encouraged to be responsible and to plan ahead. Students need to learn to remember to bring lunch, gym gear, homework and material for any after-school activities and not rely on using phone messages and requests to their parents.

Lost Property

Mislaid clothing and other items are collected at the end of each day and placed in a 'Lost and Found' area. Clearly named items are returned to their owners. All other items are placed with the re-wear clothing at the end of each term. The school regularly disposes of items not claimed in 'Lost and Found'.