

WYNBERG BOYS' JUNIOR SCHOOL

1. HISTORY OF THE SCHOOL

Wynberg Boys' Junior School is a school with a long history, having been established in 1841.

It is generally regarded as the second oldest boys' school in the country.

The schools operated as one school, Junior and High School together for over a century. In 1943 a separate Wynberg Boys' Junior School was formed, and today it is one of the leading Boys' Junior Schools in the country.

2. SCHOOL BUILDINGS AND OTHER FACILITIES

The School moved on to its present site in 1892. Besides numerous classrooms, we have computer, remedial and technology rooms, a well-equipped library, a gymnasium, the Arnold Lorie Memorial Hall, a sports pavilion, tuckshop and separate Grade R and After-care facilities.

The sports facilities include three fields which are used for rugby and cricket, ten cricket nets, two tennis courts, a mini-hockey field and a swimming pool. The Jan Oosthuizen Pavilion is a dominant feature of the sporting facilities. We share two floodlit Astro-turf hockey fields with Wynberg Girls' and Boys' High Schools, as well as squash courts, cricket fields and waterpolo facilities.

Our School complex forms part of a campus with the Wynberg Girls' Junior and the Wynberg Girls' High Schools. The vast majority of the boys who finish their primary school careers at Wynberg Boys' Junior proceed to Wynberg Boys' High School, which is situated a few hundred metres away.

3. UNIFORM

Navy-blue blazer, with school pocket badge.

White long or short sleeved shirt and school tie.

Short grey trousers.

School socks (navy blue with white horizontal stripes).

Grey jersey with school colours.

Black lace-up shoes.

Long grey trousers may be worn during winter terms only.

Plain grey or black belts may be worn.

Blazers need not be worn during the summer terms, but must be worn if the school jersey is worn.

Blazers must be worn in winter. A school rain-jacket is optional. Raincoats are not a prescribed part of the uniform, but must be orange or navy blue.

The school cap is optional, but recommended for solar protection.

The uniform has been designed to share as many items as possible with Wynberg Boys' High School.

DRESS FOR SPORTING ACTIVITIES

A House-colours golf shirt is acceptable wear for sports practices and is recommended for physical education or ball skills. It is compulsory for Inter-House events.

CRICKET: White sports shirt, white shorts, school socks. White tennis or cricket shoes or cricket boots. School cricket cap or white floppy hat.

TENNIS: White sports shirt, white shorts, short white socks & white tennis shoes.

SQUASH: A special tennis or squash shirt is available for those in School teams.

RUGBY: School rugby jersey, white shorts, school socks, rugby boots. Rugby togs of other colours are permitted at practices.

HOCKEY: School sports shirt, white shorts, school socks, hockey boots suitable for Astro.
Other hockey togs are permitted at practices.

TEAM SWIMMING: Official Wynberg Boys' Junior bathing costume and bathing cap.

GENERAL SWIMMING: Plain navy blue speedo style bathing costume.

BALL SKILLS: White sports shirt/house shirt, white shorts.

ATHLETICS & CROSS COUNTRY

White shorts, Wynberg Boys' Junior Athletic vest.

TOGS FOR PHYSICAL EDUCATION DURING SCHOOL HOURS

White sports shirt/ house colours shirt

Black shorts/ white shorts

Plain navy blue bathing costume

No variation in the items of the school uniform or sports clothing will be permitted. Boys are expected to be neatly dressed when wearing their school uniform or sports clothing. Boys representing the School in sport should purchase an official tracksuit. Except for the school tracksuit, boys may not wear any part of their school uniform with other clothes.

PLEASE ENSURE THAT ALL ITEMS OF CLOTHING ARE CLEARLY MARKED WITH YOUR SON'S NAME.

4. SCHOOL UNIFORM SHOP

School and Leisure is the stockist of our school uniform. They are situated in Piers Road, Wynberg. Their contact number is **021 762 1075**.

5. USED UNIFORM SHOP

Items of used uniform in good condition are sold. Prices are considerably lower than for new articles. The shop will be open the (last Friday of every month from 12.00 – 13.30pm). Parents can send cleaned items of school uniform to School to be sold on their behalf. A small commission is charged on each sale and put into school funds.

6. **SCHOOL HOURS**

GRADE R: 08:00 TO 13:00 (12:30 on Fridays)

GRADE 1:

MONDAY	08:00 to 13:20
TUESDAY	08:00 to 14:45
WEDNESDAY	08:00 to 13:20
THURSDAY	08:00 to 14:45
FRIDAY	08:00 to 12:30

GRADE 2:

MONDAY	08:00 to 14:45
TUESDAY	08:00 to 13:20
WEDNESDAY	08:00 to 14:45
THURSDAY	08:00 to 13:20
FRIDAY	08:00 to 12:30

GRADE 3

MONDAY TO WEDNESDAY	08:00 to 14:45
THURSDAY	08:00 to 13:20
FRIDAY	08:00 to 12:30

GRADE 4 TO 7

MONDAY TO THURSDAY	08:00 to 14:45
FRIDAY	08:00 to 12:30

7. **EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES**

The School offers the following extra-curricular activities:

CULTURAL AND ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES

Chess, Computer Club, Dramatic Productions and Drama Club, Junior and Senior Choir, Orchestra/Ensembles, Art Club, Scripture Union. The library is open at specified times during and after school hours.

SPORTS:

Summer: Swimming, Tennis, Squash, Cricket, Athletics, Waterpolo/ Flipper-ball.

Winter: Rugby, Hockey, Tennis, Squash, Cross Country.

Grade 1 and 2 boys participate in Ball Skills throughout the year. This takes place on the two longer days of the week and is a compulsory part of the school programme.

Boys are expected to become involved in at least one winter and one summer team sport. Boys may be medically exempted from sport if this becomes necessary. Numerous teams are selected to compete against other schools on a regular basis. Once boys voluntarily commit themselves to a sporting or cultural activity, they are expected to turn out regularly to practices, matches or activities for the entire season.

During the summer terms all boys are given swimming lessons during Physical Education classes. Boys must wear the school swimming costume for these swimming classes.

Professional coaches offer coaching on the school tennis courts and in the gymnasium for karate and judo. Other activities provided by outside coaches may be available.

An extra-curricular programme is published at the beginning of each season.

7. **MUSIC**

Places are available for boys from Grades 3 to 7 to take music lessons in a wide variety of instruments. A range of instruments are also available for hire by boys. Please consult the Music Department for further details.

8. **COMPULSORY SCHOOL FEES (2016)**

School Fee contributions are **R27 700** for each boy per annum. These contributions are used to:

- i) provide and supplement educational materials
- ii) pay salaries of additional teaching staff to reduce class sizes and offer additional subjects
- iii) provide and maintain sporting facilities and equipment
- iv) purchase equipment required by the school
- v) purchase computer hardware and software
- vi) subsidise excursions and outdoor Education
- vii) pay salaries of additional ground staff
- viii) subsidise plays, music recitals etc.
- ix) maintenance of buildings and grounds

Fees are payable by arrangement in instalments in advance on a quarterly or monthly basis, by debit order, by credit card, EFT, or cheque. A discount is offered for advance annual payment. Cheques are to be made payable to the WYNBERG BOYS' JUNIOR SCHOOL.

School fees increase annually by a percentage agreed upon by the parents at a meeting held in the 4th Term.

GENERAL

1. BEHAVIOUR

All boys are expected to behave in a way indicating that they respect the rights and property of others and reflecting credit to their School and family. The school's Code of Conduct, which was implemented in 1998 provides details of the school's policy regarding discipline matters. All boys are subject to the Code of Conduct, the school's rules and disciplinary procedures. Parents must encourage their son's to comply with the Code of Conduct.

2. NEWSLETTERS/ NOTICES AND COMMUNICATION

Throughout the term newsletters are sent home via your son. These newsletters will keep you informed about the happenings at the School and bridge the gap between School and home. Please return all reply slips promptly so that we can check that you have received information.

In addition to this we make use of a **SMS** mass-message sending system and a subscriber web-based communication platform “**School Communicator**”. The school website provides basic information. A homework diary is also in daily use.

3. INTERVIEWS

The Principal, Deputy Principal and Class Teachers are readily available to discuss the progress of your son or other school related matters. Appointments must be made through the School Secretary.

Quarterly meetings between parents and teachers are arranged. These meetings take various forms.

4. PARENT-TEACHER ASSOCIATION AND SUPPORTERS CLUB

The school has an active PTA which involves parents in supporting the school via fund-raising activities and in arranging social activities. The committee is made up of parent representatives from each class.

The Supporters’ Club focuses on support for sporting activities, fund-raising and in seeking sponsors. The supporters club also organises events and functions and sells branded “Wynberg Supporter” gear for parents to wear at school events.

5. TUCKSHOP

A contracted outside service-provider operates a school tuckshop during the lunch breaks and after school. Pupils can purchase a variety of lunch and snack items. A pre-paid tuckshop scheme provides a daily menu. A tuckshop is also open when we have

visiting teams playing against our school, or for special events.

6. **SCHOOL CASES**

Navy blue rigid cases must be used. Canvas bags or tog bags without reinforcing frames are not permitted. Graffiti on bags or cases is not permitted.

7. **GRADE ONE INDUCTION**

Parents of prospective Grade one pupils are invited to attend an **Open Morning in February** each year. Prospective Grade 1 pupils will be given the opportunity of visiting the School for an induction during the last quarter of the year, prior to their admission to school.

8. **ACADEMIC ASSISTANCE/ ADVANCEMENT**

Boys requiring academic assistance will be assisted by our Remedial staff.

Boys who require academic extension and enrichment may also be assisted. Boys may be streamed into ability groups for mathematics, to allow for the development of excellence in this subject.

Counselling is provided by trained staff when necessary.

9. **WEBSITE**

Our website at **www.wbjs.org.za** is regularly improved and updated and provides basic details.

10. AFTER-CARE

The school operates an after-care situated in its own facility on all school days. This facility is available for boys in Grade R to Grade 2.

Classroom-care operates for Grade 1 and 2 boys waiting until 14:45 for older brothers.

The school offers a Homework Hour from 15:00-16:00 to care for boys whose brothers are at sport, or whose parents cannot collect them earlier. A number of private after-cares in the vicinity offer before-school care, after-care and holiday care.

11. CAMPUS SECURITY

Please note that parents are regarded as visitors on site and therefore do not have automatic right of access. Parents visiting during the school day may be asked to sign in and wear a visitor's badge.

Should you wish to take your son early, you will have to sign him out at the office.

Please identify yourself to a security guard and proceed to reception before going elsewhere.

12. VEHICLE ACCESS FOR PARENTS

During normal school days parents are not permitted to drive into the school grounds on the Oxford Street side until after 15:00, Monday to Thursday, or 13:30 on Fridays.

There is no additional parking for parents on the school grounds when all the staff are present and drive-through traffic poses a risk to boys.

After-hours access is permitted, as is access for special events or occasions. Please drive slowly and remember that pedestrians have right of way on the school premises at all times.