

# UNIFORM POLICY

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#### Introduction

It is expected that the Academy uniform will instil pride, and support positive behaviour and discipline. It will encourage identity with, and support for, the Academy ethos and ensure students from all backgrounds feel welcome. The uniform will protect students from social pressures to dress in a particular way and nurture cohesion to promote good relationships between different groups of students. The uniform procedures have been decided in consultation with pupils from the predecessor school.

While in the academy and outside in the community all students must wear academy uniform in the acceptable way, which promotes the academy positively to our visitors and the wider community.

We are proud of our students and we believe that our uniform has helped to improve and expand academic excellence in the following ways:

- Instilling students with discipline
- Helping parents and students resist peer pressure
- Helping students concentrate on their academy work because they are dressed for learning
- Encouraging an improvement in student behaviour through a greater sense of academy unity and identity

We therefore expect all students to wear their uniform with pride, whether they are in the academy or outside in the community as they travel to and from the academy. In short, they should be 'dressed for learning' as they are representatives of our academy community.

Our students, therefore, whether they are in the academy or outside in the community must wear academy uniform in the acceptable way

- Shirts should be tucked into trousers at all times
- Top buttons must be fastened
- Tie must be on seven stripes
- The blazer is a compulsory item and should be worn at all times
- The V-neck jumper is optional and may be worn during cold weather beneath the blazer
- Note: Only the academy shirt and jumper may be worn beneath the blazer
- Sensible black shoes without markings or brand names. Shoes should be full and cover the whole foot with a sturdy sole for health and safety reasons.
- Brown shoes, trainers, ankle boots, 'slipper shoes' (with no backs) are NOT allowed
- Hat/hoods or hooded tops and leisurewear are not permitted. Such items are not outdoor coats and should not be worn
- No jewellery is acceptable e.g. no hanging or loop earrings or other piercings are permitted
- Extreme hairstyles and unnatural coloured hair is not permitted
- Non-uniform, 'own clothes rewards days', we expect our students to dress modestly (eg
  no shorts or low cut tops) appropriately for a school environment

## School uniform requirements

Black blazer and school badge

School tie with house stripe

Arrowsmith (purple)

Becket (blue)

Fisher (green)

More (red)

Black trousers

White shirt - must always be tucked in.

Black shoes

Dark coloured coat (black, grey or blue)

#### Trainers and Hooded Sweatshirts are never acceptable for school

We demand that our students take great pride in their appearance at all times. We expect all students to have a bag for carrying equipment, P.E. kit and books.

### P.E. Kit requirements

School sports shirt (Gold), shorts and socks (Black)

Trainers with a *non-black* sole

Football boots

Towel

## **School equipment**

We expect all students to bring the following into school each day:

- 1. a pen
- 2. a pencil
- 3. a rubber
- 4. a ruler
- 5. a pencil sharpener
- 6. a pack of coloured pencils
- 7. the appropriate P.E. kit for days when P.E. is timetabled
- 8. a reading book
- 9. Homework that is due.