

Uniform Policy	
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Purpose	To set out a clear approach to uniform at the Academy.
Committees	Staff and Pupil Wellbeing
Other linked policies	
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1. It is our Academy policy that all children wear school uniform when attending the Academy, representing the Academy, or when participating in an Academy-organised event outside normal school hours.

Aims and objectives

2. Our policy on school uniform is based on the notion that school uniform:

- promotes a sense of pride in the school;
- creates a sense of community and belonging towards the school;
- is practical and smart;
- identifies the children with the school;
- prevents children from coming to school in fashion clothes that could be distracting in class;
- makes children feel equal to their peers in terms of appearance;
- is regarded as suitable wear for school and good value for money by most parents; and
- is designed with health and safety in mind.

3. The Academy uniform is as follows:

- Dark grey skirt, shorts or trousers.
- Light blue polo shirt (with or without Academy logo).
- Dark blue sweater or cardigan with Academy logo.
- Blue and white checked summer dresses.
- Socks/tights – white, black or grey. No patterns or characters.
- Those wishing to wear headscarves may do so and these should be plain and dark in colour.

5. The Academy uniform for shoes is as follows:

- Black shoes (not boots) - sensible, flat and without flashing heels.
- Wellies can be worn when the children are in the school grounds.
- During periods of inclement weather pupils may wear black leather style boots (not Ugg style).

6. The Academy requirements in connection with pupils hair is as follows:

- Bows/bobbles/clips/hairbands should be in the Academy colours.
- No embellishments or glitter.
- Hair styles should be appropriate and not extreme. Extreme hair styles include hair extensions, hair pieces, donut bun rings, patterns in hair, hair dye/chalks, severe difference in length across the hair style (Mohican/partly shaved). Braiding and weaves are not permitted unless for cultural reasons, in which case only colours matching the natural hair should be used.

7. Our policy for pupils wearing jewellery is that pupils may wear a watch and one pair of plain studs only whilst at the academy.

8. Pupils are not permitted to wear make up or nail varnish of any kind. Temporary tattoos should also not be worn to the Academy.

9. The Academy PE kit is as follows:

- Black sports shorts and plain white t-shirt
- Black pumps or trainers without flashing heels
- In colder weather, children may wear black, grey or navy joggers and their academy jumper. Sports wear worn for warmth must be in academy colours and not include large graphics or brands.

10. All clothing and footwear should be clearly labelled with the child's name.