

Uniform Expectations

- The academy has a dress code that all students are expected to follow. There is an emphasis on being tidy and presentable. Students should recognise conflict over the dress code is inappropriate. The dress code applies both within school and on academy excursions. It is practical and allows a choice within very clear boundaries. We believe it is important to encourage all children to take responsibility for their own belongings; therefore they will be expected to look after their own uniform and take responsibility for any lost items. All items of uniform should be clearly labelled with first name, surname and year group. Lost property will be returned if named or kept in the office if not.

Uniform:

- Warm, waterproof coat with a hood.
- Dixons Music Primary book bag.
- White polo shirt with or without academy logo must be worn at all times.
- Bottle green sweatshirt/cardigan with academy logo.
- In hot weather students may be instructed to remove bottle green sweatshirts with the academy logo/ cardigans for health and safety reasons.
- Full-length grey trousers/pinafore/skirt/ salwar and plain grey kameez or abaya / jubbah / blouse with the polo shirt and jumper over the top.
- All trousers should be grey and tailored; jeans / tracksuits / leggings / very flared trousers / very tight trousers / knee length trousers are not considered appropriate wear. Jeans are defined as trousers with patch pockets and rivets. Trousers should not trail on the floor.
- Wellington boots (EYFS only).
- Flat black shoes (no high-heels, wedges, open-toes, slip-on or sling-backed shoes).
- Shoes must be sensible and entirely plain black, (not dark brown), laces must be fastened and be plain black and only worn if they can be fastened independently by the student. All shoes should be flat. Trainers, high-heels, wedges, open-toes, slip-on or sling-backed shoes are not acceptable.
- The soles and the upper part of the shoe must be black. There must be no additional design / embellishment in any colour/ metal/lights.
- Socks/tights must be worn irrespective of the type of shoe selected; they must be grey, white or bottle green (black socks are acceptable under trousers).
- Hijabs, scarves, headwraps, turbans, crowns and top knots, worn must be plain (with no additional design / embellishment) and well secured.
- One pair of plain, gold or silver stud earrings, religious jewellery and plain watches may be worn, as well as one plain gold or silver nose stud. No other jewellery or smart watches/fitness trackers are allowed.
- Make-up should not be worn.
- Mehndi/henna may be worn.
- Hair must be tied back if long. Hair must be appropriate to a place of work and we champion the right of staff and students to embrace all Afro-hairstyles. We embrace the Halo Code. Link: [Halo Code School \(halocollective.co.uk\)](http://halocollective.co.uk).
- Students should wear plain grey, green or black hair accessories. A student may be asked to tie their hair back for health and safety reasons. Large hair ornaments e.g. Jo-Jo bows/ animal eared hair-bands are not necessary.
- Eyebrows should be natural with no modifications or shavings (such as 'slits').
- Belts, if worn, should be plain black and not worn as a 'fashion statement' over sweatshirts and polo shirts. 'Fashion' belt buckles are unacceptable.
- Hats and caps need to be removed before entering the building.



PE Kit:

- Students must wear their PE kit on the days they have PE, Performing Arts or swimming lessons. Every other day, students should wear their usual school uniform.
- White t-shirt or polo shirt with or without academy logo must be worn on all PE days.
- Black academy sweatshirt with the academy logo.
- Plain black sweatpants or sports shorts with or without the academy logo. Labels, stripes or logos are not permitted.
- In hot weather students may be instructed to remove black sweatshirts, with the academy logo, for health and safety reasons.
- Suitable trainers (any colour/may contain a logo) to be worn with a PE kit (no wheels, spikes or lights).
- Socks must be worn that are grey, white or bottle green (black socks are acceptable under sweatpants).

Summer (optional):

- Light-weight raincoat/jacket with a hood.
- Green Gingham check dress or grey tailored shorts/culottes (no football shorts).
- Black or white sandals with a fastening may be worn but must be flat. Trainers, high-heels, wedges, open-toes, slip-on or sling-backed shoes are not acceptable.

Year 6 (optional):

- In Year 6, students are permitted to wear their leavers' hoodie (delivered to the academy in Cycle 2) instead of their green sweatshirt or black PE sweatshirt. However, the rest of the uniform must adhere to the uniform expectations outlined in this document e.g. wearing a leavers' hoodie with black tracksuit bottoms on a day other than a PE day is not permitted.
- A white t-shirt (on PE days) or polo shirt must be worn under leavers' hoodies at all times.
- In hot weather students may be instructed to remove leavers' hoodies for health and safety reasons.
- In colder weather, Year 6 students are permitted to wear their leavers' hoodie as the outermost layer. When it is extremely cold or wet weather a winter coat may be more appropriate as the outermost layer.

For clarification:

- Year 6 students are always allowed to wear their leavers' hoodie as their outermost layer.
- In extremely cold or wet weather, a winter coat is more suitable than the leavers' hoodie.

