

ACADEMY UNIFORM POLICY

The wearing of uniform should reflect the high expectations of the Academy, the child and the parent and carers. These uniform expectations must be adhered to throughout the whole academic year.

Girls

Black skirt of appropriate length/knee length or uniform trousers (**not** fashion wear), white button-through blouse (to include a top button), QPA navy jumper with the school logo. Black tights or white socks. An Academy tie.

Boys

Black trousers, white button-through shirt (to include a top button), QPA navy jumper with school logo. Black socks. An Academy tie.

Shoes

Plain black sensible school shoes (**not** fashion wear/boots or heels), shoes must be polishable – no canvas/fabric or trainers.

PE Kit: (same for boys and girls) plain black shorts, "T" shirt in their House colour (available from Star Soccer only – please see below), trainers and a named PE bag. Black/dark blue tracksuit (plain – no logo) for outside games during colder weather.

Please note: Indoor gymnastics will be conducted in bare feet therefore plimsolls are not needed.

All garments and personal property should be very clearly marked with your child's name please.

Our Academy jumpers, book bags and PE bags are only available for purchase directly from Stevensons in Southbourne or Star Soccer in Moordown. Trousers, shorts and tracksuits for PE can be purchased from any retailer.

The contact details for Stevensons are: 148 – 150 Seabourne Road, Bournemouth BH5 2JA. Their telephone number is 01202 425192 and website is www.stevensons.co.uk.

The contact details for Star Soccer are: 879 – 881 Wimborne Road, Bournemouth BH9 2BJ. Their telephone number is 01202 522519 and their website is www.starsoccer.co.uk

It was the decision of the School Council, endorsed by the Academy Advisory Committee and School Association that the uniform guidance, including the wearing of sensible shoes, must be strictly adhered to. We request that parents support this.

Hair

All hair at or below shoulder length (both boys' and girls') must be tied back at all times in school, including during PE and games lessons. School hair ties should be in appropriate colours and styles suitable to blend with school uniform (blue/black bands). Hair should be off the face, clipped back and not obscuring sight. No bows, large clips, alic bands, scrunchies etc to be worn.

Hair should be no shorter than a Grade 2 cut and pupils should not wear extreme hair fashions which are designed to attract attention. This includes dyed or streaked hair and styles such as spikes, mohicans and images or lines cut into the hair.

Headscarves should be plain navy, black or white and securely fastened for PE.

Jewellery

Children are permitted to wear one pair of pair of plain stud earrings worn in the ear lobes and not the top of the ear. Watches (which have an educational value in helping children to learn how to tell the time and take responsibility for their own time keeping) may be worn although smart watches and fitbit type watches are not permitted. The wearing of other jewellery in school is **not permitted**. Items can easily get lost or damaged, or may be the cause of injury. The school cannot accept responsibility for the loss of such articles.

Jewellery in PE lessons

During any physical education in school, children must not wear any jewellery in keeping with Health and Safety procedures.

Children must therefore not wear stud earrings to school on PE days.

Please try and arrange for your child to have his or her ears pierced at the very beginning of the summer holiday so that by September no studs should need to be worn. As all children's ears are different and the healing rate varies there might be the need to wear studs for slightly longer than the recommended time of six weeks. If this is the case, then the studs must be removed either by the child or parent before the PE lesson begins. The use of tape over earrings is not permitted. PE, games and swimming are all a compulsory part of the National Curriculum and children are expected to take part in all sessions.

Make-up

The wearing of make-up and nail varnish is considered inappropriate for a learning culture and is not permitted. Children will be asked to remove this.