

School uniform creates a sense of belonging, unity and pride, as well as adding to the tone of the school. It will also help identify our children when engaged in external school activities such as excursions.

### **Jewellery**

On health and safety grounds we do not allow children to wear jewellery in our school. The exceptions to this rule are one small plain gold or silver stud in pierced ears and small watches.

We ask the children to remove these objects during PE and games. Pupils should not wear ear-rings if they are attending swimming lessons.

### **Extreme haircuts**

The school does not permit children to have 'extreme' haircuts that could serve as a distraction to other children eg. Completely shaved heads or shaved designs/lines; Hair accessories such as hairbands, should be discreet and black/grey, white or blue Long hair should be tied up, regardless of the pupil's gender.

### **Footwear**

For health and safety reasons, pupils must wear flat, closed toe footwear that is black in colour. Boots should not be worn in school.

### **The role of parents**

We ask all parents who send their children to our school to support the school uniform policy. We believe that parents have a duty to send their children to school correctly dressed and ready for their daily schoolwork. One of the responsibilities of parents is to ensure that their child has the correct uniform, and that it is clean and in good repair.

### **Procedure for dealing with pupils not wearing school uniform**

If a pupil is unable to wear school uniform on any given day parents/carers should communicate this to the class teacher verbally or in writing indicating the likely duration that the pupil will be without a particular garment.

Failure to provide an explanation, the pupil will be instructed to make right the non-compliance to school uniform or provide a note of explanation the next school day.

If school uniform is not correct and there is still no explanatory note, the Principal, Assistant Principal or other member of the Senior Leadership Team will contact the parents to discuss the matter.

### **Steps to be taken for non-compliance of the Academy Uniform Policy:**

- 1st Verbal warning
- 2nd Parent contact/call
- 3rd Referral, one lesson period in Internal Exclusion ("IE")
- 4th Referral, three lesson periods in IE.
- 5th Referral and up, one day in IE.