

## Uniform What To Do

### Years 7, 8 and 9

**The academy has a dress code that all scholars are expected to follow. There is an emphasis on being clean and tidy and scholars must appreciate that not all items of clothing are appropriate for a place of work. Scholars should recognise that conflict over the dress code is inappropriate. Our dress code is practical and allows a choice within very clear boundaries.**

- Scholars must wear an academy jumper with an academy polo shirt. (Scholars should not wear a t-shirt underneath their academy polo top but may wear a v-neck vest that cannot be seen.)
- Girls must wear, full length black trousers / shalwar or plain black kameez and tunic / blouse with the Academy polo shirt and jumper over the top.
- Denim / tracksuits / leggings / very flared trousers / very tight trousers / knee length /  $\frac{3}{4}$  trousers are not considered appropriate wear. Jeans are defined as trousers with patch pockets and rivets. Trousers should not trail on the floor, have zip or patch pockets.
- Socks should be plain black socks to come above the ankle.
- Socks and trousers should meet, with no gap between the top of the socks and the trouser leg; ankles should not be visible.
- Hijabs, scarves, turbans, crowns and top knots, worn for religious reasons, must be plain black and well secured.
- Shoes must leather or leather look and entirely plain black, (not dark brown), laces must be fastened and be plain black. Heels should be low. Trainers, pumps or ballet type shoes are not acceptable. Scholars wearing the wrong footwear will be asked to change into academy footwear. All shoes should be lace or slip on in style, no Velcro.
- Any scholar wearing jewellery, other than a plain professional watch (not a sports or SMART watch), will be asked to instantly remove it and it may be confiscated until the end of term. The only exception to this is where there is a compulsory religious expectation, for example the Sikh Kara.
- Clear nose studs only are accepted; all other facial jewellery or visible body-piercing is inadmissible.
- No make-up or nail varnish should be worn by scholars. This includes any foundation and clear lip gloss in any form.
- Hair should be appropriate to a place of work, i.e. no unusual styles or colours, shavings or patterns, this includes box cuts or lines of any sort. Hair must be of a natural colour. A scholar may be asked to tie hair back for health and safety reasons. Hair bands should be plain, black no other hair ornament is necessary.
- Belts, if worn, should be plain black and not worn as a 'fashion statement' over jumpers and polo shirts.
- Outdoor jackets or jumpers or cardigans other than school uniform, should not be worn at any time inside the academy. During cold periods scholars will need an academy jacket. Hats and caps need to be removed before entering the building.
- Henna patterns should never be visible.
- On dress down days, scholars are expected to dress sensibly and modestly and still observe the jewellery, hats and caps code. On dress down days, scholars should still wear formal black trousers and school shoes.
- Scholars are strongly advised to label all items of clothing.



<p>Jumper</p>	
<p>Polo shirt</p>	
<p>Black trousers</p>	
<p>Black socks</p>	
<p>Black shoes Leather or leather-look</p>	
<p>Academy jacket</p>	