

ACADEMY UNIFORM POLICY

Academy Uniform Expectations

The requirement for adherence to the Academy's uniform will be reinforced by all staff at the Academy, both teaching and non teaching. The staff at City of London Academy Highbury Grove, will ensure that when students enter the Academy grounds, they are in proper uniform. Form tutors and Heads of House are also expected to work with students to encourage/reward them for the standard of their uniform. If students are not in full uniform, they will not be able to attend lessons. They will work in a designated area until the correct uniform is brought to them or they will be sent home to change and they will be expected to return to the Academy.

UNIFORM EXPECTATIONS :

- Students are expected to be of a smart and sensible appearance.
- Individual fashion statements such as extreme hair styles or colours, designer shirts, trainers and decorated footwear are NOT permitted.
- Tinted or cosmetic contact lenses and decorative dental wear are not permitted.
- No bandannas, hoods, caps or hats are to be worn inside the building.
- Academy Outdoor coats must stowed away in lockers or bags. **PLEASE NOTE** - that our Academy outdoor coat is **compulsory**.
- No leggings, denim or tight fit trousers are permitted. Black school uniform trousers and uniform style skirts should be worn at all times.
- No jumpers or sweatshirts other than a black V-neck uniform jumper for winter months.
- Shoes must be plain black leather or leather look, sturdy and cover the feet - no coloured tags or marking on the shoe are permitted. Trainers, "dolly" shoes, ballet pumps, plimsolls (when worn as everyday shoes), winter boots, Ugg boots or any other type of boot, including kicker, are not permitted. Kickers shoes are allowed.
- No knee length socks are allowed. Only short black socks or black tights are permitted.
- Hijabs worn for religious purposes and agreed by the Academy must be plain black or purple, and must not cover either the face or uniform.
- No jewellery except for one wrist watch and a maximum of one plain, stud earring in each ear. Nose studs and other forms of body piercing are not permitted.
- No accessories are to be worn around the neck or attached to clothing.
- Money should be kept in purses or money belts. No other money pouches will be acceptable.
- All items of uniform should be clearly marked or labelled with the student's full name.

HAIR AND HAIRSTYLES

- Students are expected to be of a smart and sensible appearance. Hair must be worn in a style appropriate to a business environment and extreme hairstyles/colours and hair bands that undermine the ethos or discipline of the Academy will not be permitted.
- Hair and hair styles should be conventional in style and in length.
- Only small black decorative attachments are to be worn in the hair.
- Individual fashion statements such as extreme hair styles or colours, are NOT permitted.
- With particular regard to hair and hairstyles no Mohawks, no shaved/bare skin, no shaved patterns or lines, no extreme hair dye colours or unnatural hair colours eg; red, blue, green, purple, peroxide blonde etc are permitted.
- If you prefer your child to have short cropped hair this should be no shorter than a number/grade 2 at the hairdressers.
- Excessively shaven hair (where the skin on a student's head is visible), razor cuts, shaved heads, shaved eyebrows or any shaven step/lines/pattern/fashion trims are not acceptable.
- Judgments on acceptability can only be made by staff at the Academy.

EQUIPMENT FOR EVERY LESSON

- Academy Rucksack is **compulsory**.
- 3 pens (black or blue and **one green pen**)
- 2 pencils (sharpener and eraser)
- Coloured pencils or felt pens
- 30cm ruler
- Scientific Calculator
- Geometry set for Mathematics
- Dictionary

It is very important that students have the correct equipment with them at all times. Successful learning will often be dependent upon this. If students forget to bring equipment, appropriate sanctions will be applied.

MOBILE PHONES AND ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT

- Personal stereos, pagers, computer games **MUST NOT** be brought to the Academy and are strictly prohibited. The Academy accepts no responsibility for the loss of these items.
- Mobile phones are **NOT** permitted within school. The Academy recognises that there are some students for whom it is necessary to carry a mobile phone to and from the Academy. In these circumstances, the Academy provides a safe keeping service; whereby students are able to deposit their mobile phone, switched off, at reception before the start of the school day and collect the same at the end of the school day. When collecting their mobile phones, students must not switch their phones on unless and until they have left the school premises
- Forbidden items will be confiscated and only returned at the end of term, when collected by a parent.
- Students, who continually breach the Academy rules around mobile phones and electronic equipment, may find themselves the subject of frequent searches. Under the guidance provided by the Department for Education “Headteachers/Principals and authorised staff can search students for any item banned by the school rules”.
- Confiscation - Under the guidance provided by the Department for Education “school staff can seize any prohibited item found as a result of a search. The Academy will invoke this guidance.
- The guidance provided by the Department for Education also provides “where the person conducting the search finds an electronic device (this includes a mobile phone) they may examine any data or files on the device if they think there is a good reason to do so. Following an examination, if the person has decided to return the device to the owner, or to retain or dispose of it, they may erase any data or files, if they think there is a good reason to do so. The Academy will invoke this guidance.



AGREEMENT

We, being both the parent/carer and the student, have received a copy of the Academy's Uniform Policy and list of uniform requirements and confirm our understanding, agreement and support of the same.

Signed by :

Academy :

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Parent/Carer :

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Student :

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Date :