

HOLBROOK ACADEMY



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Dear Parent/Carer

I wrote to you previously to remind you of the uniform expectations that we have as a school. I am now writing to inform you of our updated procedures we are implementing with regards to uniform from Monday 24th May.

From Monday, at the start of every period 1 lesson, your child's uniform will be checked. If your child's uniform is incorrect you will receive a text message informing you of this. It will ask you to look at Go4Schools to see what part of your child's school uniform is incorrect. We hope you will be able to support us in rectifying the problem by ensuring your child wears the appropriate item of uniform the following day or you communicate with the school if you need further time or support to rectify this problem.

If you do not contact the school, we will assume the student has no reason not to be in the correct uniform. Therefore, if their uniform is incorrect the following day they will receive an SLT lunchtime detention. If there is still no improvement and uniform is persistently incorrect we will escalate our response.

I have attached a copy of our uniform expectations and I would like to reiterate that long acrylic nails and false eyelashes are not acceptable and should be removed. In addition, it clearly states in our uniform policy that skirts should not be tight or figure hugging. Please can you support us by ensuring that the correct type of skirt is worn.

Coats and hoodies should be removed before entering the school building and should not be worn in classrooms. The only exception to this is if your child has PE. On that day, then a plain grey, black or navy hooded or zipped top can be worn in the classroom to keep a student warm when they are not in their PE lesson.

I would also like to remind you that students should be coming to school prepared to learn. This means they should have the correct equipment to complete classwork. Please can you ensure your child has the basic equipment needed such as a pen, pencil and the exercise books they need for the day. This will also be checked at the beginning of each day.

Thank you for your ongoing support with ensuring your child is ready to learn and dressed appropriately.

Yours sincerely,

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Uniform Expectations

Year 7-10

- Black trousers (No jeans, 'skinny' or jean style trousers or leggings), or
- Black skirt (Knee length pleated or straight but not frilled or tight/figure hugging)
- Plain white shirt with Academy tie
- Navy jumper with Academy logo
- Plain black footwear

Year 11

- As above but Black jumper with Academy logo

General Uniform Rules

- No coloured t-shirts to be worn under polo shirts
- Belts should be black and fit belt loops of school trousers/skirts
- Jewellery and make up should be discreet.
- Ear piercings should be discreet and consist of a single piercing in the earlobe, not bars and rings or studs at the top of the ear which can be a health and safety issue.
- A discreet nose stud is allowed but no other facial or body piercing is permitted, ie tongue, eyebrow, lip, etc
- No inappropriate hair colours/extreme styles – experimentation with hair style / colour should be saved for the holidays.
- No long painted nails acrylic or otherwise.
- No false eyelashes/eyelash extensions.
- Hats, bandanas, do-rags, and other similar headwear are not permitted.
- Tights should be plain black or neutral colour and not patterned or lace.

COVID-19 Expectations

- On the day your child has a PE lesson, they are to attend school in their PE kit.
- They can wear a plain grey, black or navy hooded or zipped top over their PE kit to keep them warm in classrooms when not in their PE lesson.
- No other coloured tops or tops with large logos and writing are allowed and will be confiscated if worn inside the school building.
- If students do not have the above, then they should wear their school jumper over their PE kit on those days to keep warm.

It is recommended that students wear a coat to school to keep them warm outside and not a hoodie.