

July 2019

Dear families

Thank you to all the parents/carers and students who came to the Parents' Information Evening on the 20 June, where we shared schools' vision and the changes for the new academic year. It was great to get much positive feedback about the changes to the uniform policy and the changes to the start of the school day.


Please find attached with this letter a copy of our uniform policy and a copy of the school timings for 2019/20. Our uniform is available from our 3 approved suppliers: The Uniform Shop, Natasha's, and Rawcliffes. The expectation is that every student will wear trousers with the school logo on them from the start of the next school year.

The term dates for 2019-20 are also attached. Please note there have been some changes to the training days originally published on the website. The training days in March are now Monday 16 and Friday 27 March. There has been an additional training day added, Monday 25 November. The May bank holiday has changed nationally for 2020 to Friday 8 May to acknowledge VE anniversary day which is an additional change.

Thank you for all of your support and for helping us to achieve our purpose of excellence in everything we do.

I hope you and your family have a restful summer.

Yours faithfully



Mr M Sanderson  
Vice Principal



## Academy Dress Code

The Academy has a dress code which all students are expected to follow. There is an emphasis on being clean and tidy and students must appreciate that not all items of clothing are appropriate for a place of work. Our students have always understood this and recognise that conflict over the dress code is inappropriate. Our dress code is practical and allows a choice within very clear boundaries.

- Students must wear an Academy black V neck jumper with an Academy polo shirt.
- If students choose to wear polo shirts alone, there should be no visible T shirt/vest or jewellery underneath and they should only undo 1 top button.
- Girls must wear, full length black trousers/shalwar or plain black kameez and tunic/blouse with the polo shirt/jumper over the top.
- Boys and girls trousers must be black and tailored with the Academy logo, from our approved suppliers. No other trousers are acceptable.
- If socks are visible under trousers, they should also be plain dark coloured, not trainer style socks and must cover the ankle.
- Hijabs, scarves, turbans, crowns and top knots, worn for religious reasons, must be plain black and well secured.
- Shoes must be sensible and entirely plain black, leather or leather look (not dark brown), with no logo on view, laces must be fastened and be plain black. Pumps and trainers are not acceptable. Heels should be low. Knee length boots can be worn under trousers. Students wearing the wrong footwear will be asked to change into Academy footwear.
- Any student wearing jewellery other than; one plain pair of small silver or gold studs in earlobes and one plain unobtrusive ring and 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 known and accepted religious expectation, for example the Sikh Kara.
- All facial jewellery or visible body-piercing is inadmissible.
- Make up, if worn by older students (Year 10 onwards), should be entirely discreet. No nail varnish or false nails at any time. If students wear excessive make-up or nail varnish they will be requested to remove it.
- Hair should be appropriate to a professional place of work, i.e. no unusual styles or colours, shavings or patterns, this also includes eyebrows. Hair must be of a natural colour. A student 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, jumpers or cardigans other than school uniform, should not be worn at any time inside the Academy. During cold periods students will need an Academy jumper. Hats and caps need to be removed before entering the building.
- On dress down days, students are expected to dress sensibly and modestly and still observe the jewellery and hats and caps code.
- We recommend that students have all their equipment and clothing clearly named in order that items can be returned if they are found and sent to lost property.



## THE ACADEMY DAY – 2019/20

### MONDAY, TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY

8.15am	Latest students can arrive through reception door
8.15 – 8.18am	Students transition with all their equipment to their morning meeting areas
8.18 – 8.47am	Morning meeting, Morning Mastery, Cultural Capital Studies
8.50 – 9.45am	Lesson 1
9.45 – 10.40am	Lesson 2
10.40 – 11:00am	Morning Break (20mins)
11:00 – 11:55am	Lesson 3
11:55 – 12:50pm	Lesson 4
12:50 – 1:20pm	Lunch (30mins) Year 7, 9, 11
12:50 – 1:20pm	Robust Reading Year 8/10, Study Prep Year 13
1:20 – 1:50pm	Lunch (30mins) Year 8, 10, 13
1:20 – 1:50pm	Robust Reading Year 7/9, Study Prep/ Intervention Year 11
1.50 – 2.45pm	Lesson 5
2.45 – 3.40pm	Lesson 6

### THURSDAY

8.15am	Latest students can arrive through reception door
8.15 – 8.18am	Students transition with all their equipment to their morning meeting areas
8.18 – 8.47am	Assembly in morning meeting areas for Year 7 – 10 Morning Mastery, Cultural Capital Studies
8.50 – 9.45am	Lesson 1
9.45 – 10.40am	Lesson 2
10.40 – 11:00am	Morning Break (20mins)
11:00 – 11:55am	Lesson 3
11:55 – 12:50pm	Lesson 4
12:50 – 1:20pm	Lunch (30mins) Year 7, 9, 11
12:50 – 1:20pm	Robust Reading Year 8/10, Study Prep Year 13
1:20 – 1:50pm	Lunch (30mins) Year 8, 10, 13
1:20 – 1:50pm	Robust Reading Year 7/9, Assembly in the theatre Year 11
1.50 – 3.00pm	Personal Development Studies (PDS) Careers & Guidance (C&G)

### FRIDAY

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## Term and Holiday Dates 2019-2020

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**GCE/BTEC Results (from Summer Season 2019) - 15 August 2019**

**GCSE/KS4 Results (from Summer Season 2019) - 22 August 2019**

	Staff Training Days	Tuesday 27 and Wednesday 28 August 2019
<b>2019</b>	<b>Term 1</b>	<b>Thursday 29 August to Thursday 17 October 2019</b> <b><i>Monday 2 September - All year groups start</i></b>
	Staff Training Day	Friday 18 October 2019
<b>2019</b>	<b>Term 2</b>	<b>Monday 4 November to Friday 20 December 2019</b>
	Staff Training Day	Monday 25 November
	Staff Training Day	Friday 6 December 2019
<b>2020</b>	<b>Term 3</b>	<b>Monday 6 January to Friday 14 February 2020</b>
<b>2020</b>	<b>Term 4</b>	<b>Monday 24 February to Friday 3 April 2020</b>
	Staff Training Day	Monday 16 March 2020
	Staff Training Day	Friday 27 March 2020
		Holiday - Saturday 4 April to Sunday 19 April
<b>2020</b>	<b>Term 5</b>	<b>Monday 20 April to Friday 22 May 2020</b> Holiday - Saturday 23 May to Sunday 31 May
<b>2020</b>	<b>Term 6</b>	<b>Monday 1 June to Friday 17 July 2020</b> Holiday - Saturday 18 July onwards

**GCE/BTEC Results (from Summer Season 2020) - 13 August 2020**

**GCSE/KS4 Results (from Summer Season 2020) - 20 August 2020**

### **Bank Holidays**

August Bank Holiday - Monday 26 August 2019

Christmas Day - Wednesday 25 December 2019

Boxing Day - Thursday 26 December 2019

New Year's Day - Wednesday 1 January 2020

Easter Monday - Monday 13 April 2020

May Day Bank Holiday - Friday 8 May 2020 (VE Day Anniversary)

Spring Bank - Monday 25 May 2020

August Bank Holiday - Monday 31 August 2020

### **Training Days**

Tuesday 27 August 2019

Wednesday 28 August 2019

Friday 18 October 2019

Monday 25 November 2019

Friday 6 December 2019

Monday 16 March 2020

Friday 27 March 2020

